

Vigyan Setu Foundation Awards 2025



Vigyan Setu Foundation Awards 2025

Popularization of Science

Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Amar Pal Singh

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by transforming astronomy education through
immersive planetarium programs, public outreach,
indigenous knowledge integration, extensive media engagement,
inspiring thousands across urban and rural communities,
nurturing scientific temper, strengthening STEM participation,
and advancing astronomy communication at the grassroots level.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/01

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation



Amar Pal Singh,
Astronomy Educator,
Veer Bahadur Singh
Planetarium, Gorakhpur
(Uttar Pradesh)

Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Amit Kumar Sharma

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by contributing as an educator, resource person, science mentor,
through astronomy outreach, VIPNET science clubs,
teacher training, environmental awareness,
and global academic engagements,
significantly advancing scientific temper,
student empowerment, and STEM learning.



14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/02

A handwritten signature in blue ink, likely belonging to the President of the Vigyan Setu Foundation.

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Amit Kumar Sharma,
Senior Education Officer,
Nirbhaya Science Museum,
New Delhi

Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Anurita Koul

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by fostering scientific curiosity and experiential learning,
initiating innovation exhibitions,
virtual ISRO tours, youth ideathons,
creating Ignited Minds,
thereby making science vibrant and accessible
within and beyond the classroom.



Anurita Koul,
Headmistress,
Army Public School,
Damana, Jammu

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/03

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation



Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Dr Ashaq Hussain

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by utilizing academic excellence and leadership skills for
empowering learners and educators,
strengthening scientific literacy,
and promoting accessible hands-on science learning
in chemistry education, research,
and grassroot science communication.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/04

President

Vigyan Setu Foundation

Dr Ashaq Hussain,
Associate Professor,
Department of Chemistry,
Govt Gandhi Memorial
Science College, Jammu

Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Chitra Singh

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by popularizing science through low-cost experiments,
astronomy outreach, popular science writing,
strengthening scientific temper,
empowering thousands of students and teachers
with hands-on inquiry-based STEM learning,
making science accessible, joyful, and rooted in rational thinking.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/05

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation



Chitra Singh,
Headmistress (Retd),
Haryana
Education Department

Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Dewan Singh Teacher

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by enriching classroom learning through digital innovation,
inclusive education, community engagement,
popularizing science, critical thinking among rural students,
nurturing curiosity, discipline, and holistic development,
and exemplifying the spirit of dedication
to education and societal progress.



14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/06

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Dewan Singh Teacher,
School Education Dept,
Doda – Gandoh Bhalessa
(Jammu and Kashmir)



Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Dr Kulbir Singh Bath

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by pioneering large-scale science and environment outreach,
leading eco-clubs, green school programs, science initiatives,
and Punjabi science communication,
engaging millions, strengthening scientific temper,
delivering nationally acclaimed programs,
and promoting sustainability and science awareness.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/07

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Dr Kulbir Singh Bath,
Joint Director,
Punjab State Council for
Science & Technology



Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Kuldeep Gupta

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by popularizing science through hands-on activities, ICT tools,
teacher training, and mentoring young scientists,
leadership in the National Children's Science Congress
and commitment to innovative, activity-based learning
thereby strengthening scientific curiosity
and participation across Jammu & Kashmir.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/08

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Kuldeep Gupta,
Lecturer in Zoology,
Govt Hr Sec School,
Jindrah, Jammu

Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Dr Neelam Saba

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by contributing to zoological sciences

through extensive research,

participating in scientific societies,

advancing scientific understanding,

inspiring learners to engage with life sciences, and
tirelessly promoting science and research excellence.



14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/09

President

Vigyan Setu Foundation

Dr Neelam Saba,
Assistant Professor in Zoology,
Govt Degree PG College,
Bhadarwah
(Jammu and Kashmir)



Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Dr Neerja Shrivastava

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by promoting scientific temper through lectures, radio talks,
IPR awareness programs, environmental outreach,
academic leadership, and extensive extension activities,
thereby advancing science communication, inspiring communities
while strengthening public understanding of
nutrition, microbiology, and environmental science.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/10

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Dr Neerja Shrivastava
Professor,
Department of Botany,
Govt College, Kota
(Rajasthan)



Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Pankaj K Shukla 'Pankaj Prasun'

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by pioneering "Scientainment"

transforming science communication through poetry,
making literary pursuits to dispel misconceptions,
inspire thousands, and make science engaging, multilingual,
and accessible to diverse communities
across India and beyond.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/11

A handwritten signature in blue ink, likely of the President of the Vigyan Setu Foundation.

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Pankaj K Shukla
'Pankaj Prasun'
Technical Officer, CSIR-CDRI,
Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh)



Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Dr Poonam Singh Jakhar

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by popularizing science in rural Rajasthan
through research outreach, environmental conservation,
student mentorship, and the National Children's Science Congress,
nurturing scientific thinking and ecological awareness,
empowering thousands of students
despite limited resources.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/11

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Dr Poonam Singh Jakhar,
Sr Teacher Science,
Govt Sr Sec School,
Baglop Gharoi Charanan,
Balotra (Rajasthan)



Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Mrs Pushpinder Kaur

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by leading Army Public School Damana
as a hub of scientific and cultural excellence,
motivating students to excel in Olympiads,
exhibitions, and research projects
while promoting environmental awareness and
societal outreach through innovative educational practices.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/13

A handwritten signature in blue ink, likely of the President of the Vigyan Setu Foundation.

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Mrs Pushpinder Kaur,
Principal,
Army Public School,
Damana - Jammu



Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Rajeev Kumar Agrawal

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by fostering scientific curiosity among students
through district-level science clubs,
exhibitions, INSPIRE initiatives, innovation-based learning,
promoting scientific thinking, creativity,
societal awareness to shape young minds,
and strengthening the culture of rationality, inquiry, and innovation.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/14

A handwritten signature in blue ink.

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Rajeev Kumar Agrawal,
Assistant Teacher,
Naurangilal Government
Inter-College,
Aligarh (Uttar Pradesh)

Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Sanjay Laxmanrao Gaikwad

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by applying academic excellence and impactful publications,
for advancing physics education,
digital learning, mentoring students,
fostering scientific literacy, thereby
significantly promoting science through
teaching, research, and community engagement.



14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/15

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Sanjay Laxmanrao Gaikwad,
Head, Department of Physics,
Annasaheb Awate A C and
Hutatma Babu Genu Science
College, Manchar - Pune
(Maharashtra)

Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Smitha Vinod

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by exemplifying voluntary leadership in science popularization
through the Science India Forum UAE,
expanding the Children's Innovation Fest,
coordinating major science initiatives,
promoting inclusivity, nurturing scientific curiosity,
cultural pride, and community engagement.



14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/16

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Smitha Vinod,
Joint Secretary,
Science India Forum (SIF),
UAE

Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Sunil Kundlik Pote

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by transforming science learning among underprivileged students
through hands-on projects,

National Children's Science Congress mentoring,
astronomy outreach, science exhibitions, mobile science programs,
nurturing first-generation science graduates
and fostering a scientifically aware community.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/17

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation



Sunil Kundlik Pote,
Assistant Education Officer,
Pimpri Chinchwad
Science Park, Pune
(Maharashtra)



Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Suvidha Dinkar Jadhav

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by simplifying complex scientific concepts
using innovative, student-centered teaching
through hands-on learning and real-world applications,
encouraging critical thinking,
motivating and mentoring learners for science fairs,
Olympiads, and exploratory projects.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/18

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Suvidha Dinkar Jadhav,
Assistant Teacher,
Pimpri Chinchwad
Municipal School,
Chinchwad, Pune (Maharashtra)

Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Tabassum Ara Siddiqui

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by promoting Physics through interactive workshops,
phobia-reduction initiatives,
capacity-building of teachers,
innovative pedagogical training,
student engagement programs, fostering a vibrant,
inclusive culture of scientific curiosity among learners.



14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/19

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Tabassum Ara Siddiqui,
Physics Lecturer,
Sadhu Vaswani Junior College,
Sanpada, Navi Mumbai
(Maharashtra)

Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Dr Vikas Mishra

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by popularizing science through puppetry, comics, workshops,
media communication, and major NCSTC-DST projects,
outreach, research, and training programs,
taking award-winning initiatives to advance
grassroots science communication,
inspiring thousands of learners and educators across India.



14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/20

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Dr Vikas Mishra,
Assistant Professor,
Akbarpur Degree College,
Akbarpur – Kanpur Dehat
(Uttar Pradesh)

Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Dr Wahied Khawar Balwan

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by popularizing science through prolific writing,
public lectures, and extensive outreach,
significantly advancing scientific literacy,
inspiring young minds,
and strengthening public engagement
with science across communities.



14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/21

A handwritten signature in blue ink, likely of the President of the Vigyan Setu Foundation.

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Dr Wahied Khawar Balwan,
Associate Professor,
Department of Zoology,
Govt Degree College, Doda
(Jammu and Kashmir)

Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Gujarat Council on Science & Technology (GUJCOST)

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

through Community Science Centres, STEM outreach,
Robofest, STEM Quiz, IPR awareness,
teachers' training, and digital engagement,
inspiring lakhs of students and educators,
strengthening scientific temper and
innovation culture across Gujarat.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/22

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Mahatma Gandhi Government School, Pachpahar

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Popularization of Science

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by transforming rural education
through innovative science outreach,
digital learning, and student research,
inspiring young minds to explore, discover, and innovate—
bridging science and society
with exemplary dedication and vision.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/POS/23

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Digyan Setu Foundation Awards 2025

Public Health Advocacy



Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Dr Deepak Sharma

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Public Health Advocacy

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by promoting scientific understanding of animal–human conflict
through community outreach, awareness campaigns,
in collaboration with national and international organisations,
advancing public knowledge, encouraging responsible coexistence,
and strengthening science-based approaches
to animal welfare and societal well-being.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/PHA/01

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Dr Deepak Sharma,
Assistant Professor,
Public Administration,
Shimla (Himachal Pradesh)



Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Dr Rajpal Shesherao Khillare

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Public Health Advocacy

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by advancing public understanding
of zoonotic diseases and food safety

through extensive training, outreach, and research,
enhancing awareness, strengthening diagnostic capacity,
and promoting the One Health approach
for public health protection.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/PHA/02

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Dr Rajpal Shesherao Khillare,
Research Associate,
Dept of Vety Public Health,
Mumbai Veterinary College,
Parel, Mumbai (Maharashtra)



Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Dr Smruti Smita Mohapatra

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Public Health Advocacy

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

through science communication,

One Health advocacy, school outreach,
rabies and zoonoses awareness programmes,
enhancing public understanding of animal behaviour,
disease prevention, and community health,
inspiring informed and responsible practices.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/PHA/03

President

Vigyan Setu Foundation

Dr Smruti Smita Mohapatra,
Assistant Professor,
Department of Veterinary
Physiology & Veterinary Clinical
Complex, Institute of Veterinary
Science & Animal Husbandry,
SOA University, Bhubaneswar
(Odisha)



Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Manav Vyas

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Public Health Advocacy

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

through large-scale rescue, rehabilitation,
epidemic management, and round-the-clock ambulance support,
mitigating zoonotic risks and enhancing community safety,
ensuring humane care for abandoned animals
while contributing significantly to public health protection,
transformative animal welfare and disease-control initiatives.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/PHA/04

A handwritten signature in blue ink, likely of the President of the Vigyan Setu Foundation.

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Manav Vyas,
Honorary Chairman,
Tulsi Goverdhan Nidhi
Sansthan, Jaisalmer
(Rajasthan)

Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Komal Mansotra

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Public Health Advocacy

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by promoting millet-based nutrition, traditional dietary wisdom,
and disease-prevention awareness,
through patient-focused interventions, impactful community campaigns,
and advocacy for millet inclusion in government schemes
thereby strengthening lifestyle-disease mitigation,
fostering sustainable health practices in rural border areas.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/PHA/05

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation



Komal Mansotra,
Teacher,
Govt Girls Middle School,
Abtal, Samba
(Jammu and Kashmir)



Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Dr Rajesh C Senma

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Public Health Advocacy

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

through sustained zoonoses and rabies awareness,
community engagement, and One Health advocacy,
organizing training programmes, vaccination awareness drives,
empowering communities, reducing misinformation,
and strengthening preparedness for zoonotic threats,
contributing meaningfully to Zero Rabies by 2030.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/PHA/06

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Dr Rajesh C Senma,
Assistant Professor,
Department of Zoology,
M N College, Visnagar,
Mehsana (Gujarat)

Vigyan Setu Foundation Awards 2025

Promotion of Science Tourism

Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Gujarat Council on Science & Technology (GUJCOST)

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Promotion of Science Tourism

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

through Regional Science Centres'

innovative exhibits, astronomy facilities, STEM programmes and

India's first Tropic of Cancer Science Park,

blending science, culture and education,

strengthening public engagement, fostering scientific temper and
positioning Gujarat as a national leader in science-based tourism.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/PST/01

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation

Vigyan Setu Foundation®
Bridging Science and Society

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Pimpri Chinchwad Science Park Company

has been conferred with

Vigyan Setu Foundation Award 2025

in the category of

Promotion of Science Tourism

in recognition of outstanding contribution and
dedicated efforts in advancing the objectives of

Vigyan Setu Foundation

by offering interactive galleries, astronomy programmes,
STEM workshops and large-scale outreach activities
inspiring curiosity through experiential learning,
mobile science initiatives and inclusive community engagement,
making science accessible while
strengthening the region's scientific culture and tourism landscape.

14th Foundation Day
12th December 2025



VSFA/2025/PST/02

President
Vigyan Setu Foundation