

Dr. G.N. Qazi, Vice Chancellor re-appointed as Chairman of Drug and Pharmaceutical Research Programme of DST

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr. G.N. Qazi has been reappointed as the Chairman of the Drug and Pharmaceuticals Research Programme (DPRP) of Department of Science & Technology (DST), Ministry of Science & Technology, Government of India for another term of three years. The programme was launched in 1994-95 for promoting R&D in drugs and pharmaceuticals sector with the objective to forge public private partnership (PPP) in Drugs & Pharmaceuticals R&D covering both modern and Indian systems of medicine including veterinary drug development. The programme aims to create state-of the-art R&D infrastructure in this sector in public funded laboratories/universities, extend loan at 3% simple interest to pharma Industry R&D projects and grants-in-aid for clinical trials to pharma industry projects on developing drugs for neglected diseases like malaria, TB, Kalaazar, Filariasis, etc. Over 100 projects have been approved under this programme and programme has enabled establishment of laboratories equipped with modern research infrastructure capable of undertaking research following Good Laboratory Practices (GLP).