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Press Release

CSIR features in the Thomson Reuters Top 50 Indian Innovator companies and research organizations for the year 2015

New Delhi. 06 April 2016. The **Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR)** features in the Thomson Reuters Top 50 Indian Innovator companies and research organizations for the year 2015. The Top 50 Indian Innovators lead the country in innovation output. They are a group of businesses and research institutions that develop, recognize and protect great ideas and use it to their full potential.

Thomson Reuters India Innovation Awards honors the most innovative academic institutions and commercial enterprises headquartered in India for their spirit of innovation in R&D as it relates to Indian patent publications. Thomson Reuters 2015 India Innovation Awards is based on research and analysis done using the Derwent World Patents Index, the world's most trusted and authoritative value-added patent database. Data from 2010-2014 was used for the analysis. The metrics used are patent volume, grant success rate, globalization, and citation influence. This analysis is done using proprietary Thomson Reuters data and tools. The threshold for inclusion in the Top 50 Indian innovators is at least 25 patents published during the period 2010-2014.

Six innovators from the top 50 list have also been selected as the recipients of the **Thomson Reuters India Innovation Awards 2015** across three different industrial sectors: Corporate-Pharmaceuticals, Corporate-Hi Tech., and Academic & Research Institutions.

CSIR is the recipient of the Thomson Reuters India Innovation Awards 2013 in the category of Hi-Tech Academic & Government. It is worthy to note that previous three year Thomson Reuters Innovation Awards winners, though included in the analysis for identifying the Top 50 Indian innovators, have not been included in the analysis for identifying the Top 6 award winners for this year.

CSIR, constituted in 1942 by a resolution of the then Central Legislative assembly, is an autonomous body registered under the Registration of Societies Act XXI of 1860. Known for its cutting-edge R&D knowledgebase in diverse S&T areas, CSIR is a contemporary R&D organization, having pan-India presence, with a dynamic network of 38 national laboratories, 39 outreach centers, 3 Innovation Complexes and 5 units.

CSIR covers a wide spectrum of science and technology – from radio and space physics, oceanography, geophysics, chemicals, drugs, genomics, biotechnology and nanotechnology to mining, aeronautics, instrumentation, environmental engineering and information technology. It provides significant technological intervention in many areas with regard to societal efforts, which include environment, health, drinking water, food, housing, energy, farm and non-farm sectors. Further, CSIR's role in S&T human resource development is noteworthy.

Pioneer of India's intellectual property movement, CSIR today is strengthening its patent portfolio to carve out global niches for the country in select technology domains. CSIR is granted 90% of US patents granted to any Indian publicly funded R&D organization. On an average CSIR files about 200 Indian patents and 250 foreign patents per year. About 9% of CSIR patents are licensed - a number which is above the global average. Amongst its peers in publicly funded research organizations in the world, CSIR is a leader in terms of filing and securing patents worldwide.

The next challenge is to convert this wealth of innovation for societal and industrial outcomes much beyond the present.