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NCL outreach programme to kindle scientific interest in school students

National Chemical Laboratory (NCL), Pune has initiated a new "**community outreach programme**" to convey the excitement of science and research to High School students. NCL is inviting students of 8th and 9th standard from local schools to participate in this programme under the aegis of the NCL Academy.

These lectures/ sessions will be held at the NCL Innovation Park and will be held approximately once in a month on a Sunday morning between 10.00 and 11.30 am. The lectures delivered by NCL scientists will comprise a talk supported by some demonstrations to bring the science alive and to kindle interest in the students. The idea is to expose students to the exciting world of research and development and to give them a glimpse of what goes on in the laboratories around the world.

The first talk entitled "Is P + C + M = B?: Using physics, chemistry, and mathematics to understand biology" will be delivered by Dr. Chetan Gadgil on 28 September 2008.

Registration to attend this talk is open initially to the local students. As seating capacity is limited, participation is strictly on first-cum-first serve basis only by registration on telephone 020-25902132 or by email to: outreach@ncl.res.in. Confirmation of registration will be communicated to the participants. More information is available at the link: oww.nclacademy.org/outreach/).

Notes to Editor:

National Chemical Laboratory (NCL) (www.ncl-india.org), Pune, India is a research, development and consulting organisation with a focus on chemistry and chemical engineering. It has a successful record of research partnership with industry. National Chemical Laboratory (NCL) is a flagship laboratory of the Council of Scientific & Industrial Research) which is the largest network of publicly funded research institutes in India.