Introduction
The Initiative for Research and innovation in Science (IRIS) II Coaching Camp was held at Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER) Pune from 2-4 February, 2018.
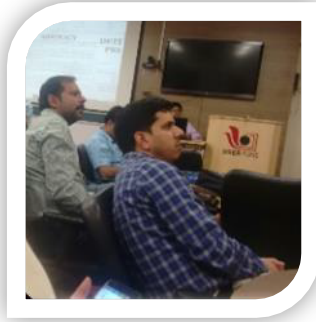
The coaching camp was facilitated by members of the IRIS Scientific Review Committee (SRC) and attended by IRIS 2017 Grand Award winners in preparation for their participation in the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF) 2018.

A total of 20 teams and 15 SRC Members attended the camp.

IRIS Project Development Session with IISER Faculty

14 projects were given time to discuss their innovation with IISER Faculty members of the same Subject Specialization, and garner inputs on their research. They were then given the opportunity to visit the IISER labs and present before groups of PhD students, in order to receive I more feedback and suggestions on their ideas. While this interaction was on, the remaining 6 Computer Science Projects were being given special attention by the IRIS SRC Computer Science Mentors.

Special sessions were also taken by Prof L.S. Shashidhara, Professor and Chair of Biology at Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Pune & Dr ApurvaBarve, Centre Coordinator, COESME, **IISER** Pune.

Dr Pooja Sancheti, Visiting Faculty, IISER Pune, conducted a session on Communication skills related to Participants Projects and how to pitch them during their time at ISEF.

Interaction with Special IRIS SRC Mentors

Each Grand Award winning IRIS Project has been assigned a special SRC Mentor as the go to guide for their project, and they have been working closely on project improvement since the last coaching camp. A Poster presentation by all participants took place on day 2 of the camp. All IRIS SCR Mentors gave their views and suggestions for improvement on each Poster.

Instructions regarding Registration for ISEF & Submission of Forms

Participants were given instructions on how to create their log in id and register for ISEF on the website. A session on forms required to be submitted in support of their projects was also undertaken. Each project was given instructions on the forms that would be required as per their area of research. Due stress was laid on ensuring that all permissions or certificates related to lab work and any human or animal testing, that had been undertaken, were ready to be uploaded and filed.

IRIS SRC Meeting

A meeting of SRC Members present for the Camp was convened to discuss further improvements to processes and practices related to outreach and evaluation for the upcoming IRIS 2018 National Fair.