The Department of Chemistry, School of Natural Sciences organized a one day symposium on “Emerging Trends in Translational Research in India” on 12th April, 2014. Prof. Nikhil Sinha, Founding Vice Chancellor, Shiv Nadar University (SNU) inaugurated the event by lighting the lamp. Emphasizing the research- oriented approach of the University, Prof. Sinha informed about the current research activities of the University. Prof. Rupamanjari Ghosh, Director, School of Natural Sciences & Dean of Research and Graduate Studies, chaired the first session and highlighted the vision of the School of Natural Sciences and the need of the interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary research to find possible solutions of unanswered scientific problems.

Prof. Javed Iqbal from Dr. Reddy’s Institute of Life Sciences, Hyderabad, Prof. Yashwant D. Vankar from IIT Kanpur, Dr. R. Brakaspathy, Department of Science and Technology, New Delhi and Dr. Padma Vankar from IIT Kanpur were the distinguished invited speakers besides internal speakers, Dr. Banikanta Sarma, Dr. Sajal K. Gosh, Dr. Shailja Singh and Dr. Pawan K. Dhar, from SoNS. There were other active participants from Delhi University, Jawahar Lal Nehru University (JNU), ICGEB, New Delhi, Amity University, Gautam Buddha University, TERI, Teva Pharma, Shiv Nadar University etc. Three best posters were selected in the poster competition by two external member panel of judges. Ms. Amrita Dubey, Ph.D. student, Department of Life Sciences, SNU, Ms. Faiza Amber Siddiqui, ICGEB, New Delhi, and Mr. Ganesh Prabhu, Ph.D. student, Department of Chemistry, SNS were awarded cash prize and certificates for their posters. The symposium ended with a vote of thanks by Prof. N. Sukumar, Head of Department, Chemistry and Director, Center for Informatics, SNU who thanked the organizers (Dr. Ram Sagar Misra and Dr. Gouriprasanna Roy), speakers and the participants for attending the symposium. He also thanked Agilent technologies and Neobiolab for sponsoring this symposium.