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Dr. Vikas Sharma, SKUAST-J Prof. conferred with Young Scientist Award-2017

Jammu, June 27: Dr. Vikas Sharma, son of Sh. Harbans Lal Sharma and Pushplata Sharma of Channi Himmat and grand son of Pt. Amarnath was presented the coveted **Young Scientist Award-2017** for his exceptional research excellence in the area of anticancer studies. The award contains a Certificate of Excellence along with a momento. The award was presented to Dr. Sharma at **International Conference on Agriculture, Horticulture and Plant Sciences** held yesterday at Rishikesh, Uttarakhand which was attended by more than 200 delegates from India and States. This International Event was organized by UGC International Journal of Tropical Agriculture and Academic Research Journals / Serial Publications, New Delhi. Dr. Sharma also made a power point presentation on the topic “*Punica granatum* possesses *in vitro* cytotoxicity against lung cancer cells”.

Working as Asstt. Professor in the Division of Biochemistry, Faculty of Basic Sciences, SKUAST-Jammu, Dr. Sharma has evaluated many local medicinal plants from Jammu region for their anticarcinogenic properties and recently he reported that minor fruits of kandi belt like bael, karonda, jamun, phalsa *etc.* suppressed the proliferation of lung cancer cells. He also recommended that people of Jammu should encourage the consumption of these natural products so as to avoid the risk of cancer. Dr. Sharma has 10 years experience of teaching and research. He has published 3 International books on anticancer efficiency of Jammu botanicals.

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