

FOSTERING SCIENTIFIC TEMPER IN INDIAN SOCIETY:

ROLE OF KSSP & CONFERENCES

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ABSTRACT

Scientific temper is the spirit of science. Often the scientific perspective is stressed much leaving out the temper part which is the state of mind causing the scientific discoveries from the annals of mind. Scientific temper in India dates back to Vedic age. The scientific temper before the Nehruvian age is often referred as the inclination of scientific mind towards science. The conferences on scientific temper have elaborated on urgent need for improving scientific temper among common masses. Kerala SastraSahityaParishad is a People's Science Movement of Kerala with motto science for social revolution. To create scientist out of Indian society there must be a focus on underlying inquisitive nature of man which transcends beyond castes and creed. The paper focuses on scientific temper in India as Nehruji envisioned and also transact upon the role played by various conferences and KSSP in fostering scientific temper among Indians and also suggests some strategies for inculcating scientific temper at various levels of education.

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