An innovation entitled "A multipurpose low-cost biological air purifier" submitted by students of Dr. D. Y. Patil Biotechnology and Bioinformatics Institute under the guidance of Dr. Neelu Nawani, received the prestigious Gandhian Young Technology Innovation Award 2018 (GYTI 2018). The award was given to the students Mrs. Neeta Wagle and Ms. Priti Yewale by Hon'ble President of India Shri Ram Nath Kovind. The award includes a research grant of Rs. 15 lakhs from BIRAC for the scale-up and commercialization of the prototype and technology developed in this study. In all there were 3000 applications for this award from all over India and only 23 were selected for the GYTI 2018 awards, of which most of the awards were to students from IITs and IISc, DPU being one of the only two universities whose students received the award.



GYTI 2018 trophy



GYTI Award- Priti Yewale and Neeta Wagle



Neelu Nawani, Neeta Wagle, Priti Yewale at the Festival of Innovation and Entrepreneurship at Rashtrapati Bhavan at a stall for GYTI awardees