The IEEE Milestone Plaque for the "First Millimetre-wave Communication Experiment" by Sir J.C.Bose in 1894-1896 was formally dedicated on 15th September 2012 at the Presidency University in Kolkata. In a glittering ceremony the plaque was handed over to Prof. Malabika Sarkar, Vice-Chancellor of Presidency University, by Dr. Peter Staecker, IEEE President Elect. The milestone plaque was subsequently installed at a prominent location within the Presidency University campus. In this program Prof. Malabika Sarkar, Vice-Chancellor of Presidency University, and Prof. Sivaji Chakravorti, Chairman, IEEE Kolkata Section, extended warm welcome to the large number of audience including members of press and local intelligentsia. Prof. Kalyan K Mallik and Prof. Pradip K Saha, proposers of the IEEE Milestone, talked about the significance of IEEE milestones as well as the significance of Sir JC Bose's contribution. Dr. Peter Staecker made a valuable presentation on the importance of this milestone as well as this event. He specifically expressed his happiness to be able to be present on the occasion of the dedication of first IEEE milestones in India. Prof. Sabyasachi Bhattacharya, Former Director of Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Prof. Sibaji Raha, Director, Bose Institute, Kolkata, and Prof. Somak Raychaudhury of Presidency University, made captivating presentations. The message from Prof. Bikash Sinha, Former Director of Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics and Variable Energy Cyclotron Center, was also read. More than 200 participants took part in this IEEE milestone plaque dedication ceremony.
Dedication of IEEE Milestone Plaque for Sir C.V. Raman:
Date: 15th September
Venue: Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science, Kolkata, India

The IEEE Milestone Plaque for the "Raman Effect" by Sir C.V.Raman in 1928 was formally dedicated on 15th September 2012 in the Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science in Kolkata. In a very well attended program the IEEE Milestone plaque was formally handed over to Prof. Kankan Bhattacharyya, Director, Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science, by Dr. Peter Staeger, IEEE President Elect, which was then installed at an important location within the IACS campus. In this enthralling program, Prof. Kankan Bhattacharyya spoke on the work carried out by Sir CV Raman at IACS. The welcome address was given by Prof. Sivaji Chakravorti, Chairman, IEEE Kolkata Section. Prof. Kalyan K Mallik and Prof. Prasanta K Basu, proposers of IEEE Milestone, spoke on the process of IEEE Milestone approval as well its significance. Dr Peter Staeger in his absorbing address spoke on the significance of CV Raman's work in relation to technology development and also on the significance of IEEE milestones in India. About 250 participants attended this program which included members of English as well as vernacular print and electronic media, people from academia and also people from different strata of the society interested in the growth of science and technology.
Media Coverage of the programs:
Both these two programs were very widely covered by local English and vernacular Bengali print and electronic media. The clipping of the news articles published in local print media both before and after the programs are given below:

Pre-Event News Clippings:

Times of India (English Daily) – 10th August 2012
Anadabazar Patrika (Bengali Daily) – 28th August 2012
Desh (Bengali Weekly) – 2nd September 2012

Ganashakti (Bengali Daily) – 8th September 2012

Anadabazar Patrika (Bengali Daily) – 10th September 2012

Hindustan Times (English Daily) – 12th September 2012

Times of India (English Daily) – 16th September 2012

Hindustan Times (English Daily) – 16th September 2012

The Statesman (Bengali Daily) – 16th September 2012

Bartaman (Bengali Daily) – 16th September 2012