

TCS IT Wiz city edition on August 31

India's largest tech quiz for school to reach out to 12 cities...

Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), has announced that the 2010 Pune edition of TCS IT Wiz, India's largest tech quiz for schools, will be held on August 31, at the Nehru Memorial Hall.

The regional rounds of TCS IT Wiz this year will be held in Chennai, Ahmedabad, Hyderabad, Bangalore, Coimbatore, Pune, Kolkata, Bhubaneswar, Kochi, Lucknow, Delhi and Mumbai. This nationwide event is expected to reach over 200,000 students.

TCS IT Wiz is open to school students studying from class eight to 12 and there is no entry fee. Each institution is allowed to send multiple two-member teams to participate.

Entries have to be sent through the respective institutions on or before August 26 to Suchita Mantri, TCS IT WIZ Coordinator, Tata Consultancy Services, Hadapsar Industrial Estate, Pune 411 013. Schools can also register online this year at or contact 020-66086227/ 91 9225508304.

The Regional rounds will be followed by a national finals in December where the winning teams from the 12 Regional rounds will compete for TCS IT Wiz National Champion title. Commenting on the event, Arvind Padhye, TCS Pune operations said, "TCS IT Wiz is an excellent platform for information technology for the young and inquisitive minds. Over the years, we have learnt that quizzing can be another powerful teaching-learning tool.

It is fun, exciting, participatory, and outside the classroom environment".

The 2010 TCS IT Wiz regional winners will walk away with laptops and the runners will be rewarded netbooks.

The six finalists will also receive an array of prizes from TCS ranging from backpacks, MP3 players, headphones, T-shirts, caps to water sippers.

Among the highlights of this year include TCS It Wiz Blogging and Vlog contests to encourage students to use Web 2.0 technologies and use social media responsibly and constructively.

Students can set up their own blogs, vlog based on TCS IT Wiz 2010 and win exciting prizes. This year students will also get an opportunity to participate in online quiz contest hosted on www.tcstwiz.com <<http://www.tcstwiz.com/>>.

The quiz will focus on application of information technology across various sectors such as world of Internet and unique web sites, IT buzzwords and acronyms, IT personalia - international, national and local, advertisements of IT and communication companies, software products and brands, history of IT as well as the humorous side of IT. The quiz will also cover areas where IT has made an impact like education, entertainment, books, multimedia, music, movies, Internet, banking, advertising, sports, gaming, social networking, blogging and cell phones.