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he TCS IT Wiz 2012 conducted and organized by Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) received an overwhelming response from over 500 schools and 1000 students from various city schools. The Hyderabad edition of TCS IT Wiz - an inter school IT quiz was held on Friday, at Bhartiya Vidya Bhavan, King Kothi Road, Basheer Bagh, Hyderabad.

After the preliminary round and some grueling final rounds Syed Murtuza Hashmi and Aneesh Kallapur from Sri Chaitanya Jr College walked away with the coveted winner's trophy, along with a Galaxy Note each, closely followed by Rahul P and Rahul from Chirec Public School as runners-up who received their trophy along with a Galaxy Tab.

The regional rounds will be held in 14 cities – Hyderabad, Ahmedabad, Kolkata, Bengaluru, Chennai, Coimbatore, Pune, Nagpur, Indore, Bhubaneswar, Kochi, Lucknow, Mumbai and Delhi. These will be followed by Nationals in December where the finalist along with the UAE winners will compete for the National champion title. Winners will get an opportunity to interact with the CEO of TCS, N Chandrasekaran over high tea.

TCS GENY SURVEY

The TCS GenY survey was also conducted during the TCS IT Wiz 2011, Hyderabad edition to study digital habits of school students. The survey revealed that tablets had overtaken laptops as everyone's favourite gadgets.

Some of the trends amongst the Hyderabadi school students are:

- Facebook usage has sky rocketed from 19 per cent to 79.48 per cent in the last three years
- Tablets overtaking Laptops as favorite gadgets
- Hyderabad turns out to be the least gadget savvy metro in the country
- Email has lost steam with only 13.53 per cent respondents using it as a mode of communication. This is also validated by only 8.18 per cent respondents that claim to be using Email as one of the reasons to access the Internet.
- Internet access using mobiles has gone up from 17 per cent to 31 per cent
- Research for school work is still the primary reason for Internet access among students in the city (79.2 per cent)
- The survey also revealed that 79.12 per cent use internet as a source of information for research to prepare for quizzes against the national average of 78.82 per cent. Nearly 42 per cent of them use newspapers.

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