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NAIDU SCIENCE COLLEGE WINS IT QUIZ

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Mr Prathamesh Dash and Mr Rishav Aditya Sathpathy of Naidu Science College emerged victorious in the regional final of TCS IT Wiz, billed as the biggest interschool IT quiz programme in India, here today.

The winner duo, who walked away with an iPad each, will now represent Bhubaneswar in the national-level mega final and contest for the title of "Smart Tech Wizards 2013."

The runners-up Mr Abhisekh Sahu and Mr Samprit Panda from Sai International were handed over a galaxy tablet each. Director of IIIT Dr Gopal Krishna Nayak, state IT secretary Mr Madhusudan Padhi and head, TCS, Bhubaneswar Mr Manoj Panda gave away the prizes.



More than 1200 students from different educational institutions had participated in the event here today. Having made to answer a set of 20 questions in the written prelims, the top six teams were qualified for the regional level final. The highlight of the regional finals of the quiz was the animation based quiz software with a unique format created by Quizmaster Pickbrain and his team. The six finalist-teams were given an array of prizes.

An interactive Twitter contest was also organ-

ised during the quiz to engage with the students in real-time as a part of our social media outreach programme.

As many as 2700 live tweets were recorded during the regional finals.

"The event focused on applications of IT across various sectors such as world of internet and web sites, IT buzzwords and acronyms, IT personalities, 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," said a senior company official.

The Quiz also covered areas where IT has made an impact - education, entertainment, books, multimedia, music, movies, internet, banking, advertising, sports, gaming, social networking, blogging, cell phones, etc.