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OVER 1,100 students from various city schools participated in the TCS IT Wiz- India's largest inter-school IT quiz held at Dr Vasant Rao Deshpande Hall.

The regional final of Nagpur edition witnessed some edge-of-the-seat quizzing with Shouvik Dey and Kshitij Gupta from Center Point School emerging as winner. Shahdab Khan and Vishwaroop Khanorkar from Bhavan's BP Vidy Mandir School, came a close second in what was a fitting end to an exhilarating battle between the tech nerds. The winners walked away with an iPad each while the runners up won themselves a galaxy tablet each. The winning duo will represent Nagpur in the mega finals and will contest for the title of 'Smart Tech Wizards 2013'.

The prizes were distributed by Chitanya Sathe, VP and Head of Business Operations, TCS Mumbai. 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 finalists also received an array of prizes. The event was open to all school students studying in class 8-12.



Winner of IT quiz Shouvik Dey and Kshitij Gupta.

85% school kids access Facebook: Survey

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ACCORDING to a survey conducted by TCS to get a pulse of the digital habits of school students from class 8-12th to capture the changing trends of the youth across the nation with a focus on technology. The Nagpur survey revealed that 65.87% respondents own a Personal Computer at home while 54.12% respondents own a mobile phone.

Some of the other trends amongst Nagpur school students are:

- 63.12% respondents own a smart phone
- 85.87% respondents rate Facebook as the most preferred social networking platform
- 14.34% respondents spend 2-3 hours daily on the internet
- Majority of the respondents (52.22%) use internet to research on school subjects
- 58.86% respondents buy airline tickets/railway tickets online
- 51.22% respondents use social networking websites like Facebook/Twitter to communicate followed by SMS as a communication mode (32.12%)
- IT and Engineering are the top Career choices