

## LPS, La Martiniere excel in TCS IT quiz

**Lucknow (PNS):** Over 1,200 students from different schools of Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand participated in the TCS IT Wiz held at the Indira Gandhi Pratishthan here on Thursday. The TCS IT Wiz - India's largest inter-school IT quiz was organised by the Tata Consultancy Services (TCS). Teams from Allahabad, Dehradun, Faizabad, Kanpur, Bareilly, Rae Bareli and Varanasi also took part in this year's TCS IT Wiz, Lucknow edition.

After a riveting regional final Sachin Bansal and Abhinav Singh from the Lucknow Public School (LPS), Sector-I, won the title. The regional champions this year walked away with an iPad Air each while the runners-up represented by Prakhar Rai and Aditya Jalan from the La Martiniere College won an iPad Mini each along with a specially-designed trophy and



medals. The winning duo will represent UP and Uttarakhand in the mega finals.

The six finalists who made it on stage also received an array of prizes from the TCS ranging from space packs, sippers, T-shirts, earphones, USB pen drives, speakers and other gadgets. The best cheering school, La Martiniere College, also received a jar of goodies and a coffee table book for their teamwork, creativity and

enthusiasm.

The prizes were given away by the guests of honour, A.L. Banerjee, Director General of Police, UP, and Prof Shruti Sadolikar Katkar, Vice-Chancellor, Bhatkhande Music University, Lucknow, along with Jayant Krishna, regional head, TCS, Lucknow.

The TCS IT Wiz has sought to bring a paradigm shift in the world of quizzing through a mix of intelligent

and interesting questions as well as through the new technology concepts such as software-based rounds, gamification and animation. This year the platform has looked into the technological trends that are poised to have a huge traction across the globe. Students who are a part of this quiz would benefit from understanding these technologies as they walk into their future. The TCS IT Wiz was open to High School students studying in class 8-12 (including pre-University of junior college students). There was no entry fee.

An interactive Twitter contest was organised during the quiz to engage with the students in real-time as a part of the social media outreach programme. The Twitter contest witnessed around 8,500 tweets. The top two winners received a cap and bluetooth speakers themselves.