Shell announces the winners of Shell Junior National Science Scholarship 2014-15

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Exam witnessed participation of about 15,000 students from 20 cities in India. Students from Bengaluru, Lucknow & Delhi students emerge as National Winners.

New Delhi, March 16, 2015 –Shell, one of the most diversified international investors in India's energy sector, among all global integrated oil companies, has announced winners of its third "Shell Junior National Science Scholarship" programme 2014-2015. Shell Junior National Science Scholars programme recognises young people with exceptional talent. It aims to inspire students to focus on science and environment. About 15, 000 students of Class IX and X from 650 schools participated in the online examination across 20 cities this year. This number is twice that of the students who participated last year.

The students from Delhi Public School, Bengaluru North, St. Mary Inter College, Lucknow and Apeejay School, Pitampura, Delhi emerged as the national winners of the scholarship programme. These national winners are selected from the 20 regional winners. All the winners along with their mentor science teachers will be felicitated at an award ceremony in Delhi scheduled later next month.

On the announcement of the results, **Dr. Yasmine Hilton, Chairman, Shell Companies in India said**, "I congratulate all the students for participating in this examination and hope it encourages children to pursue higher studies and a career in science and technology. Shell is at the forefront in raising awareness on energy, sustainability and the environment. The Shell Junior National Science Scholarship aims to inspire students to think about these contemporary issues and encourage them to become the innovators of tomorrow."

The online examination took place in January and February. The students were tested in Physics, Chemistry, Maths, and General Knowledge focussing on Energy. The examination followed the pattern of objective type of questions with one subjective question to act as a tie-breaker and to determine the student's aptitude and motivation for science. The 20 regional winners, one from each city, will receive a one-time scholarship amount of Rs. 50,000. Three toppers from the twenty regional winners will additionally receive the National Level Award of Rs. 75,000.

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Shell also has a downstream business marketing fuels, lubricants and specialty products. It recently announced creation of an in-house global IT centre in Bengaluru.

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