

# Jnana Prabodhini students excel in competition

**Pune:** Students from Jnana Prabodhini won the Innovative Ideas Competition 2015. Arvind Gupta, well-known toy inventor, felicitated the students on the occasion at National Chemical Laboratory (NCL) on Sunday.

Jnana Prabodhini team comprising Vibha Bapat and Shruti Rahigude won the award for their project, 'Study of interaction amongst micro-organisms with reference to observations of growth patterns in a designed environment.'

Innovative Ideas Competition was organised by the Exciting Science Group for students across India.

In his speech, Gupta stressed on the importance in participation rather than winning prizes. He also said parents play the main role in motivating students and providing the environment to do research.

A total of 160 entries were received and 20 were selected for the final round.

These 20 teams presented their ideas to researchers from NCL and Indian Institute of Science, Education and Research (IISER), who judged these ideas and selected the top three projects. On Sunday all 20 teams displayed their innovative ideas at the venue at NCL. Parents and teachers from all 20 schools were present on the occasion. It was also a chance for participants to see each others' projects. Teachers and par-

## INNOVATIVE IDEAS COMPETITION

Vaibhav Thombare



Students showing their innovative ideas to Arvind Gupta, chief guest of Innovative Ideas Competition at NCL on Sunday.

### THE RUNNERS-UP

- **2nd prize:** **Deveeshia Tudekar**, a student of BVB Sūtochana Natu, for her idea of reducing carbon footprint by recycling thermocol under household conditions.
- **3rd prize:** **Tanmay Agarwal** and **Yashwardhan Dixit** from City Pride School for mini-portable signal tower.



**We got good** suggestions from the judges, which will help us in improvising our project.

—**SOHA THEKEDAR**



**I presented natural AC** concept for a vehicle. This will help me

and Rishikesh Shitole, my teammate, in future.

—**ANAND SHINDE**



**I showed chip adsorption** converter for vehicular

pollution control. This will improve my confidence.

—**ADITYA BIYANI**

ents were also engrossed in watching the presentations.

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