

IIT Hyderabad organized an Innovation Fair for School Students Future Innovators Fair (FIF) 2023

FIF 2023 is an incremental step towards India's urge to be Atmanirbhar, said Prof Murty

Highlights:

- ***Entries were called from Students of Class 8th - 10th***
- ***130+ entries were received for fair***
- ***22 entries were shortlisted by an expert panel of IITH Faculty***
- ***3 entries were declared winners & 2 consolation prizes***
- ***IITH will support the winning innovations for further advancement.***

Hyderabad, April 13, 2023: IIT Hyderabad, with its motto as “Inventing and Innovating in Technology for Humanity (IITH)”, has been supporting Innovations in various ways. Within the last 4-5 years, IITH has incubated 125+ startups, which have created 1000+ jobs and a revenue of Rs. 800+ Cr. To promote Innovative ideas among school children, IITH is planning an annual “Future Inventors Fair (FIF)” this year. As a response to this year's call of the Institute, the Institute received a total of 130+ nominations from schools of different parts of the State, of which a team of faculty members shortlisted 22 teams. All these 22 teams were invited to IITH to showcase their innovative ideas/creations in the FIF-2023 held today.

Explaining the uniqueness of the fair, Prof B S Murty, Director, IITH, said, “*Innovation is not just our motto but is in the DNA of IITH. IITH believes in developing job creators instead of job seekers. From a Minor in Entrepreneurship in 2009, Incubators in 2015, BUILD Scheme (Bold Unique Idea Lead to Development) in 2020 & Department of Entrepreneurship in 2020 to double major in Entrepreneurship in 2022, it reflects our urge towards making India self-reliant - Atmanirbhar. So far, all these innovations' influencing drives were limited to UG/PG/PhD students of IITH. We are working on making our BUILD scheme open to College students nationwide. In addition, we felt there are a lot of ideas with our young minds which, if given the right mentorship & platform, can create wonders. FIF-2023 is one such step in this direction. We wish to continue such drive annually and support such young innovators who would become future inventors”.*

The list of 22 innovations is enclosed with the release.

The winners are:

1st Prize: Solar Cum Hand Dish Washer, ZPHS Isaipet

2nd Prize: Women's period problems, Pallavi Model School Boduppall, Hyderabad

3rd Prize: Calamity Control Droid, The Hyderabad Public School, Ramanthapur

Consolation Prize -1: Women's Friendly Utensil Supporter Machine, ZPHS Dammannapet

Consolation Prize -2: Auto Light Mechanism at Culverts, Excellent Star High School

Link to Winning Innovations Short Videos & Document:

[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1hUKnqNdsxIXJGnbIEcIRY7KQmvgky2eT?usp=share link](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1hUKnqNdsxIXJGnbIEcIRY7KQmvgky2eT?usp=share_link)

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