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Crossword contest: DU girl tops ranking after 1st online round

Three more such rounds on next three Sundays in Stage I; cumulative scores to decide Stage II entry; registrations remain open

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Arpita Goel of the School of Open Learning, Delhi University, has topped the Leaderboard at the end of the first online round of Stage I of the inaugural National Inter-college Crossword Expedition (NICE) 2022.

S Bharath Krishna of the Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Thiruvananthapuram, occupies 2nd spot and Joyal Biju of Government Engineering College, Thrissur, is at 3rd spot on the Leaderboard.

Beyond the top three national standings, Aryan Singh of IIT Kanpur; Jeffin Cherian Jacob of Government Engineering College, Thrissur; Gaikar Chinmay Gajanan of Dr Babasaheb Ambedkar Technological University, Raigad; Ujjwal Raj of Bakhtiyarpur College of Engineering, Bakhtiyarpur; and Shubam Paul of the Central Institute of Technology, Kokrajhar, have topped from North, South, West, East and Northeast zones, respectively.

The round was held between 10.30 am and 05.30 pm on Sunday.

The three-stage first-of-its-kind contest is being organized by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) and the University Grants Commission (UGC).

The first stage is open to all students from colleges and higher education institutes to play individually. It involves solving crossword clues online for four successive Sundays starting April 3, 2022. After the fourth Sunday round on April 24, 2022, a cumulative Leaderboard will decide the top two participants from each institute who will form the institutions' teams for the two subsequent offline stages – five zonal finals and a national Grand Finale.

All three stages will be conducted by the Patna-based Extra-C, a civil society initiative for promoting knowledge-based co-curricular activities. The online rounds are being hosted on its official website www.crypticsingh.com.

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