NTPC WR-I Headquarters Organises BEE Maharashtra State-Level Painting Competition 2026 to Promote Energy Conservation Among School Students

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NTPC Limited, Western Region-I Headquarters, Mumbai, successfully facilitated the conduct of the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) Maharashtra State Level Painting Competition 2026 at SNDT Women's University, Mumbai, celebrating Children's Day through creativity, awareness and sustainability.

Organised under the aegis of the Ministry of Power, Government of India, the National Painting Competition on Energy Conservation is an annual initiative of the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE). NTPC Limited has been designated as the Nodal Agency for conducting the competition in Maharashtra.



This year’s competition revolved around two important themes: “Save Energy at School and Home” and “Energy Conservation is the Key for Energy Security.” The competition received an encouraging response across Maharashtra, with more than 1,300 students from 378 schools participating in the initial phase. Following the selection process, 100 students, comprising 50 participants each from Group A (Classes 5–7) and Group B (Classes 8–10), qualified for the State Level Competition. The young participants showcased their artistic talent and understanding of energy conservation through their paintings.

The event was graced by Principal Secretary, School Education and Sports Department, Government of Maharashtra, Shri Ranjit Singh Deol, NTPC Limited Executive Director (Nuclear) Shri Nirbhay Gupta, and Regional Head of HR, WR-I Headquarters and GM-HR (Nuclear) Shri Anil Kumar Chawla, along with other distinguished guests.



Group A (Classes 5–7)

First Prize: Srushti Amar Dhage – Kline Memorial School of UBS, Pune. Second Prize: Shreshtha Sudarshan Chavan – St. Peter's School, Mazgaon.

Third Prize: Shaikh Salman Khaja – Dnyaneshwar High School, Latur, Maharashtra.

Group B (Classes 8–10)

First Prize: Hana Hayat – Atomic Energy Central School 2, Mumbai.

Second Prize: Manjushri Shivappa Bugade – S.R. Chandak English High School, Solapur. Third Prize: Aachal Pandurang Wankhede – Hira Ram Girls High School, Ichalkaranji.



The prize money included ₹50,000 for the First Prize, ₹30,000 for the Second Prize and ₹20,000 for the Third Prize. Additionally, ten consolation prizes of ₹7,500 each were awarded in both categories.

The top three winners from each group will represent Maharashtra at the National Level Painting Competition, scheduled to be held on 11 December 2026 in New Delhi, with all expenses covered by NTPC Western Region-I Headquarters.

Speaking on the occasion, the dignitaries appreciated the enthusiasm, creativity and commitment of the young participants. They highlighted the importance of developing energy-conscious habits from an early age and encouraged students to become ambassadors of energy conservation by spreading awareness in their homes, schools and communities.

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