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From Classrooms to Creativity: 990 Young Innovators Compete in APCOST–GYS Avishkar Awards

State	No
Andhra Pradesh	254
Arunachal Pradesh	294
Assam	2
Bihar	2
Chattisgarh	10
Delhi	60
Goa	6
Gujarat	5
Haryana	9
J&K	9
Jharkhand	4
Karnataka	51
Kerala	7
Madhya Pradesh	9
Maharashtra	58
Nagaland	2
Odisha	5
Pondicherry	1
Punjab	16
Rajasthan	7
Tamil Nadu	55
Telangana	53
Uttar Pradesh	48
Uttarakhand	12
West Bengal	11
Grand Total	990



Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh – The Andhra Pradesh Council of Science & Technology (APCOST), Department of Science & Technology, Government of Andhra Pradesh, in collaboration with the GETA Young Scientist (GYS) Program by GETA Service Trust, has announced the **GYS Avishkar Awards 2025**, a prestigious national-level science project competition for students from Classes 6 to 12. With the theme “**Low-Cost Grassroots Innovation**”, the event aims to empower young minds to develop practical, affordable, and impactful solutions addressing everyday challenges.

This year’s edition has witnessed **an unprecedented 990 project submissions** from across the country, reflecting a surge of innovation and scientific spirit among school students. Andhra Pradesh has sent in 254 entries, while other states have also shown strong participation – Arunachal Pradesh leading with 294 entries, followed by Delhi (60),

Maharashtra (58), Tamil Nadu (55), Telangana (53), and Karnataka (51). The competition is conducted in an **online video submission format** (3–7 minutes), enabling students from all corners of India to participate without geographical barriers. A **total cash prize pool of ₹1 lakh** has been announced for student winners: ₹30,000 for 1st prize, ₹25,000 for 2nd prize, ₹20,000 for 3rd prize, and ten consolation prizes, along with trophies and certificates. In recognition of mentorship, **guide teachers** of the top winners will also receive ₹10,000 each for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes, and ₹1,000 each for consolation prizes.

Additionally, **AP State-level winners** will be honoured with exclusive special prizes.

Currently, the evaluation of submissions is in progress, with only **four days remaining for entries**. Projects are being assessed on innovation, feasibility, and potential societal impact. Selected entries may also receive guidance for further development into prototypes, pilot implementations, or even patents. The organisers believe that the **GYS Avishkar Awards** will inspire a new generation of innovators, strengthen STEM learning, and promote grassroots solutions for community development.

APCOST Sanctions 60% Sponsorship for Maris Stella College to Host Key National Science Events

Vijayawada, 8 August 2025 – The Andhra Pradesh State Council of Science & Technology (APCOST) has extended its strong support to Maris Stella College, Vijayawada, by sanctioning **₹30,000 as 60% sponsorship** for hosting three prestigious national-level science awareness events in 2025–26.

The sponsored events are:

- **National Space Day** – 23 August 2025, celebrating India's achievements in space science and inspiring careers in space technology.
- **National Energy Conservation Day** – 13 December 2025, promoting sustainable energy practices and innovations for climate resilience.
- **National Science Day** – 28 February 2026, commemorating C.V. Raman's discovery and fostering a culture of inquiry and innovation.

will serve as powerful platforms to inspire students, celebrate innovation, and strengthen the link between science and society.

APCOST's funding aims to **increase public understanding of science**, strengthen the role of educational institutions in **science communication**, and encourage **youth-led innovation** aligned with sustainable development goals. The programs are expected to attract participation from students, educators, researchers, and the wider community from across the country.

With APCOST's backing, Maris Stella College will be positioned as a **hub of national-level science engagement**, promoting STEM education, raising awareness on pressing global challenges, and motivating young people to pursue careers in science, technology, and research. These initiatives not only