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## Samsung India conducts 9th edition of the Samsung Innovation Award at IIT Indore

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Samsung India conducted the 9th edition of the Samsung Innovation Award at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Indore to recognise and reward innovations that have the potential to revolutionise everyday living. This year, the theme was 'Systems that learn' and students were encouraged to think creatively and propose practical ideas around multimodal sensing, applications of learning systems, VR, XR, 3D imaging, distributed AI and more, says the company.

The awards were presented by Dr Aloknath De, Corporate Vice President and Chief Technology Officer, Samsung R&D Institute – Bengaluru (SRI-B). Prizes worth Rs 3.5 lakhs were awarded to the top three winners, while the other three finalists received the award of merit from Samsung.

The first prize went to Ram S. Mohril for the project "AR/VR Enhanced Textbook reading and learning experience". The second prize was grabbed by Chaitanya Mehta for his project "Tree Climbing Quadraped Robot". The third prize was awarded to Nemath Ahmed, Suraj Polamaina and Shavez Malick for their project "Immersive Acoustic Spatial Awareness for Visually Impaired".

Merit awards were given to the projects "Fingerprint Spoof buster", "AI based Contactless Biometric system" and "Leukemia Classification from Microscopic Images using Deep learning techniques".

The six-finalist teams had the opportunity to present their ideas to the jury consisting of senior researchers and scientists from Samsung and IIT-Indore. The winning projects were selected on the basis of originality of the product and solution, feasibility of implementation, completeness, relevance in the market and presentation to the jury members at IIT-Indore.