

PRESS RELEASE

Students upbeat on Tapping Green Energy via Solar Glass

- Winners announced-

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To commemorate the International Youth Day, The All India Glass Manufacturers' Federation (AIGMF) organised its annual contest for Youth on 'Green Energy via Solar Glass' or सोलर ग्लास से हरित ऊर्जा।

- 1st Prize (Rs. 25,000) was given to Mohd. Juned aged 21 years, a student of Bachelor of Arts, Jamia Millia Islamia, DELHI
- 2nd Prize (Rs. 15,000) was given to Sarthak Kumar aged 15 years, 10th class student of Sant Nandlal Smriti Vidya Mandir, Ghatshila, JHARKHAND
- 3rd Prize (Rs. 10,000) was given to Sparsh Tejwani aged 21 years, a student of MSc. Economics with BTECH EEE, BITS Pilani, RAJASTHAN

The Jury comprised of Mr. Shreevar Kheruka, Vice President AIGMF & Vice Chairman- Borosil Renewables Ltd.; Mr. Varun Gupta, Chief Executive Officer- Triveni Renewables Pvt. Ltd.; Mr. Purvish Shah, Hon. Treasurer AIGMF & Director- Gobind Glass and Industries Ltd.; and Mr. Dave Fordham, Publisher, Glass Worldwide (*Preferred International Journal of AIGMF in association with KANCH*) as well as Honorary Member of AIGMF.

"We are very happy to see the level of interest exhibited by all the students for this competition. Renewable Energy is the only Sustainable way to satisfy the world's growing energy demands and I am very happy that this information is being disseminated across the length and breadth of India through such competitions." said Mr. Shreevar Kheruka, Vice President AIGMF and Vice Chairman- Borosil Renewables Ltd.

"The AIGMF's Annual Youth competition on Green Energy via Solar Glass attracted a very impressive number of entries and at an exceptionally high standard too. An increasing awareness of solar glass among children and young adults was clearly evident in the submitted drawings, poems and essays which included a myriad of entries demonstrating glass as an eco-friendly and sustainable solution that will only increase in importance during the participants' lifetimes. It was a pleasure for Glass Worldwide to be involved in the judging process alongside figureheads from the Indian solar glass sector and we offer sincere congratulations to the worthy winners as well as all participants" said Mr. Dave Fordham, Publisher- Glass Worldwide, United Kingdom and Honorary Member AIGMF.

"With sun shining daily in India, 10 new solar glass manufacturing units are being set up to tap Sustainable Energy which is in tune with the Indian Govt's vision and to boost solar energy needs. This year's Youth contest theme was well-chosen, which is also in line with the objectives of the AIGMF. The contest was made open to Youth between 7-24 years who were asked to submit online entries by means of drawings, photos, poems, essays, technical articles etc. Hundreds of entries were received from schools and colleges across India" said Secretary AIGMF Mr. Vinit Kapur.

The prize money for the winners was sponsored by Schott Glass India Pvt. Ltd., producing Type I pharma tubing primarily meant for Glass Vials which were also supplied worldwide for packaging COVID vaccination. Mr. Pawan Kumar Shukla, Managing Director said *"SCHOTT has entered into a Power Purchase Agreement for running our manufacturing facilities via Wind – Solar hybrid project in Babra, Gujarat, INDIA. In 2020, SCHOTT had announced its plan to become climate neutral across its production by 2030."*

Top 100 entries will get a specially designed 80 years AIGMF Glass Mementoes.

Winning entries can be viewed at www.aigmf.com