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8 Vadodara students crack KVPY

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VADODARA: At least eight students from the city have cracked Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana (KVPY), the most prestigious national programme of fellowships on basic sciences initiated and funded by the department of science and technology (DST), Government of India, this year.

The examination is administered by the [Indian Institute of Science \(IISc\)](#), Bangalore.

According to experts, this could be highest ever result produced in Gujarat as out of lakhs of applicants, only 1,700 candidates all over the country got success. Earlier, only a couple of students used to clear the examinations every year.

Eight students enrolled in standard XII (science subjects) from the city, including five enrolled with CBSE-affiliated schools and three enrolled with Gujarat board-affiliated schools have cleared the first round of the fellowships. These students, who aspire to join any undergraduate programme in basic sciences, will get generous scholarship up to pre-PhD level.

The selected students are Vanshal Jain, Krushan Yajnik, Shailin Shah, Ashnik Chauhan, Henika Patel, Soham Majumdar, Yash Shah and Zubin Thakker. These students have been directly selected for IISc, Bangalore and Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Pune, after interview round. "The objective of KVPY is to identify the students with aptitude for research. This will ensure the growth of best scientific minds for research and development in the country," says academic director of [R J Vision Private Ltd](#). Dr Rajiv Vijay. tnn

KVPY fellowships carry monthly fellowship of Rs 5,000 (annual contingency grant of Rs 20,000) during the first to third years of BSc, BStat, B Math, BS, integrated MSc and MS. During MSc or fourth and fifth years of integrated MSc or MS, the monthly fellowship is worth Rs 7,000 (annual contingency grant of Rs 28,000).