NIT Srinagar students created history by winning India's largest National Entrepreneurship Challenge.

I am excited and glad to inform you that the NEC team of 22 students from National Institute of Technology (NIT), Srinagar has won the National Entrepreneurship Challenge (NEC) in Advanced track category at IIT BOMBAY under the mentorship of Prof. Saad Parvez (Head, Innovations, Incubation, and Entrepreneurship Development Centre). NEC is a national competition where various teams from institutions, colleges, and universities of India participate to exhibit their entrepreneurship and innovations capabilities by undertaking a number of entrepreneurship-related tasks. NEC is an initiative that helps academic institutions to build-up an active eco-system of entrepreneurship culture in their campuses and drive students towards Leadership capabilities. It also helps them to motivate and breed an entrepreneurial mindset by training and moulding their entrepreneurial capabilities.

NEC was a 6 month-long and a highly competitive contest which was led by the team leader Mr Tajamul Ashraf (Btech 3rd Year student) Various workshops, pitching competitions, boot camps, quizzes, Idea challenges, etc were a part of the competition and every task was evaluated by team of experts from Ecell IIT Bombay.

Earlier in 2016, the NIT Srinagar team scored 5th rank in the basic Track whereas in the year 2017 it had scored 6th rank in the advance track. It was for the first time in recent years NIT Srinagar was able to make it to the top position. The team had worked very hard for the past 6 months and ultimately got the top rank among 320+ teams from all over India. Its performance was remarkably and the team created history by becoming the first from J&K to win the coveted contest. The winning team got a cash prize of 90,000 INR and certificates from one of the largest Entrepreneurship

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