

Namya Joshi make it to top 50 of Global Students Prize 2023



Namya Joshi, a student of Class XI of Sat Paul Mittal School, Ludhiana, Punjab has been included in the top 50 finalist for the Chegg.org Global Student Prize 2023. Namya Joshi, already acclaimed as “Top Tech Savvy Student in India” and a global teacher at the age of 16, got hooked on Minecraft, realising that it can also be used as an education tool. She created a virtual library of lessons in Minecraft, now numbering around 500 which are available on her YouTube channel and website. Named official Minecraft Student Ambassador by Microsoft, and attained top certifications from Adobe, following the #EachOneTeachTen principle she’s trained teachers and students worldwide on the power of Minecraft, makecode, Python and other ICT Tools using, Skype, Teams, Zoom, Google meet, mentored and trained more than 15,000 teachers and students to create game-based lessons to be used in classrooms, and been a powerful advocate for girls in STEM. She has also written a bestselling book, given TED talks and appeared in multiple global media outlets for her innovations. Namya Joshi has several awards to her name including the Platinum Award, Rashtriya Bal Puraskar, Diana Award, Global Child Prodigy Award, Global E-Innovation Award and more. She is a Minecraft mentor and TEDx speaker as well.

The Varkey Foundation partnered with Chegg.org to launch the annual Global Student Prize in 2021 as a sister award to its annual USD 1 million Global Teacher Prize. The annual award goes to one exceptional student who makes an impact on learning, the lives of their peers and on society beyond. The award prize is \$100,000. The intention was to create a new platform that shines a light on the efforts of extraordinary students everywhere. The prize is open to all students who are at least 16 years old and enrolled in an academic institution or training and skills program.

Ms. Bhupinder Gogia, Principal, Sat Paul Mittal School congratulated Namya for this remarkable achievement and wished her best of luck for the future endeavors.