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Young inventors on show at Techno 2000

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The three-day Techno 2000 Engineering and Technology Exhibition organised by the Institution of Engineers, Sri Lanka (IESL) which began on Wednesday at the BMICH, has given recognition to new and innovative talent

of young school children and indigenous products.

As part of its annual scheme, three school boys received awards for their innovation. "This could create an innovative spirit among youngsters. Innovation for the 21st Century means taking risks, designing completely original ideas and launching new brands", said the Chairman, Techno 2000 Organising Committee B.R.O. Fernando.

The 'Gold Award' was won by Master M. Madhusankha Namasena

of Sri Sumangala College, Panadura for his creation of the "Bamboo Tats Machine". The 'Silver Award' went to C.B. Tennekoon of Ibbagamuwa, for his invention of the "Cobweb Remover". The 'Bronze' was awarded to Master A.A. Chaminda Priyantha Alahakoon of D.S. Senanayake Vidyalaya, Ampara for his creation of the "Instrument for Diffusing Bombs".

A special award of 'Junior Inventor of the Year' was won by Master W.A. Asanga Silva of St. Josephs College, Colombo for yet another innovation of an "Artificial hand for the use of a disabled".

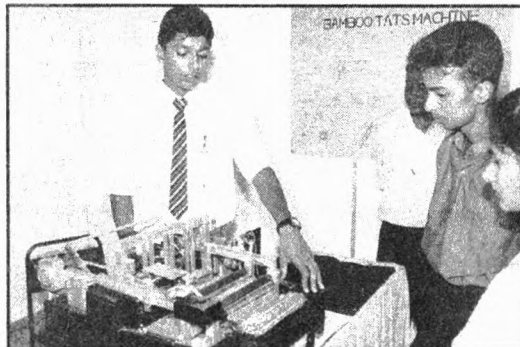
The exhibition which features these inventions by the young as well as technology, products and services by a large number of companies concludes today.

"Techno is where the most appropriate technology to suit your needs is found: where a supplier meets the widest user community of technology," IESL sources said.

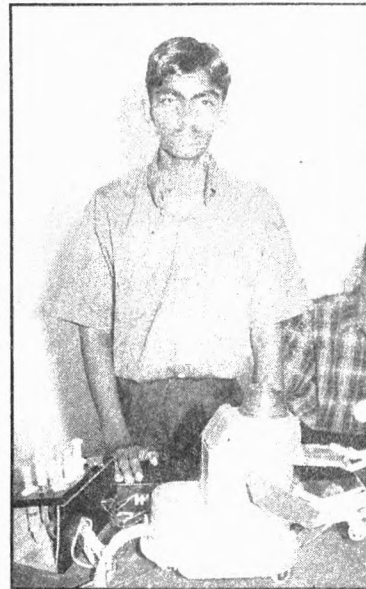


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