

## No surprises: Girls on top again

- Bag first rank in Science, Commerce and Arts streams in PUC exams
- Bengaluru fares worse than it did in SSLC results

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Students from the state have capped the excellent SSLC results with an impressive performance in the II PUC final examination with the pass percentage jumping from last year's 48.93 to 57.03, the highest in the last decade.

While its not unusual for girls to beat the boys , this time they have done even better, bagging all the first ranks in all streams- science, commerce and arts. While the science topper is Deepa of MES Kishore Kendra, Malleswaram who scored 593 out of 600, the topper in commerce is Raveena Jain of Jain college, VV Puram with 591 marks. The arts topper is Shashikala of Dharwad who scored 569.



Raveena B. Jain (centre), who came first in Commerce in PU exam celebrates with her mother and other students at Jain College, in Bengaluru on Wednesday  
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