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Not all who aced Common Entrance Test scored big in NEET

Three CET toppers have managed to get NEET rank within 500

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Of the nine students who bagged top-five ranks in the biology streams in the Common Entrance Test (CET), only three candidates have managed to get a National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET) rank within 500.

The nine students bagged top ranks in streams such as Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy, B.Sc. Agriculture, and Bachelor of Veterinary Science, and all except one of them wrote NEET.

The three candidates who have bagged NEET ranks within 500 are Sankeerth Sadananda of Delhi Public School Bangalore South (NEET rank 4 and second place in CET in B.Sc. Agriculture); Rakshita Ramesh of Sri Bhagawan Mahaveer Jain College (NEET rank 41, and topper in CET in ISMH and B.Sc. Agriculture, and second place in B.Sc. Veterinary Science); and Mohith S. of Narayana PU College (NEET rank 271 and fifth rank in CET in B.Sc. Veterinary Science).

Students from the State who studied in PU colleges had a mixed response to NEET. While some candidates said NEET was a tougher exam to crack, some others said NEET tested how well a student could grasp concepts.

Sources in the Karnataka Examinations Authority (KEA) said many students in the State may have lost marks because of negative marking in NEET, which CET does not have.

“Moreover, students in the State who take

CET are used to simple questions and NEET tests concepts and needs one to thing out of the box,” sources said.

Ananya B.C. from Sri Bhagawan Mahaveer Jain College, Bengaluru, who bagged the third spot in B.Sc. Agriculture and fourth rank in ISMH stream in CET, got a NEET rank of 1,504.

“I wrote CET for practice and I was very calm and there was no pressure. There was pressure when I wrote NEET and I made silly mistakes that lowered my score,” she said.