

The Regional Finals of The Secretary & Administrative Professionals Contest (SAPC) 2010 was hosted by the West Bengal Chapter of the Indian Institute of Secretaries & Administrative Professionals in Kolkata for 8 contestants over two weekends in July. The first weekend the participants sat for a written test, the papers for which had been received from HQs Mumbai and opened in their presence. General knowledge questions and points relating to work situations were to be answered.

The second weekend was devoted to two rounds of a Group Discussion in the presence of the judges, Ms Shaila Hasan, British Council, Ms Molly Thambi, Calcutta Stock Exchange and Mr Samiran Dasgupta, Regional Head East of IBM. The participants were then called in individually for a personal interview with the judges over a range of questions relating to personal and professional life and viewpoints.

The finals were held at ITC Sonar Bangla in the presence of members of the Institute and Corporate invitees. The 8 ladies were asked to choose a topic, and speak for 2 minutes extempore. The participating ladies were:

Samarpita Chanda	HSBC
Anita Srivastava	HSBC
Sutonuka Majumdar	HSBC
Treasure Rosina	Price Waterhouse Coopers
Agnes D'Gama	Tata Steel
Dhanalakshmi	Saturday Club
Reena Sarkar	ITC Ltd.
Poulomi Sen	Tara Bangla

The Best Speaker Award was awarded to Ms Treasure Rosina of Price Waterhouse Coopers while the Regional SAPC Award went to Ms Reena Sarkar from ITC with the runner up from HSBC, Ankita Srivastava. The 2nd runner up was Dhanalakshmi working at the Saturday Club.

Attractive cash and other prizes went to the 3 Winners while the other contestants received large hampers.

It was a glittering function at Sonar Bangla on the 7th August with a sumptuous lunch and a truly professional ambience.