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5 NON-PROFIT GROUPS BAG SOCIAL AWARDS

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MUMBAI: Five non-profit groups won awards at the third EdelGive Social Innovation Honours for exceptional work in the field of women empowerment on Friday. The awards aim at increasing visibility and providing financial support to the organisations and include prize money of Rs10 lakh for the winners and Rs1 lakh for the runners up.

"Apart from funding, we are supporting the winners with capacity building this year. The awards have created awareness that has generated financial support and cooperation from other likeminded organisations," said Vidya Shah, executive director and head of EdelGive Foundation.

Applicants from over 235 NGOs across 21 states poured in and passed a selection process tabulated by Ernst and Young and assessed by Tata Institute of Social Sciences under five categories within the field of women's issues. Katalyst, the only Mumbai-based organisation amongst the runners up, works in the field of education for the girl child. "We plan to use it to support under privileged girls by upgrading their skills to succeed in the corporate world" said Anjali Hari, programme director of Katalyst.