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History would remember TechGig Code Gladiators 2019 as that crucial coding event where an ex-champion and a defending champion came face to face to claim the 'world's best coder' title. The winner of 2017 Sameer Gulati and 2018 winner Vineet Paliwal, along with over 2.6 lakh coders fought it out tooth and nail for 87 days to claim the 2019 title, which was clinched by Sameer Gulati, ultimately.

TechGig Code Gladiators 2019 culminated with the crowning of Sameer Gulati as the 'world's best coder' at a grand finale ceremony held at Reliance Corporate Park, Navi Mumbai for the second year in a row.

After a gruelling, non-stop 6-hour coding session, this year's top coders and the winners of Code Gladiators 2019 edition were declared among the stalwarts of the Indian IT and Technology industry. Out of the record-breaking 2,62,906 participants - just 15,382 participants moved to the semi-finals. The competition got more demanding and only the top 0.2% participants made it to the grand finale round - making it one of the toughest coding challenges in the world.

The registration numbers in TechGig Code Gladiators 2019, now in its sixth year, has increased 21% Y-o-Y. This edition got over 2.6 lakh registrations and is by far the biggest in terms of registration numbers since its inception in 2014.

TechGig Code Gladiators - the world's biggest coding arena – also hosted theme hackathon rounds on 10 new-age technologies: Artificial Intelligence, Blockchain, Chatbots, Robotic Process Automation, Fintech, Software Testing, Location Services, Amazon Alexa Skills, Internet of Things, and New Commerce.

In the main coding round, Sameer Gulati beat all the odds and was declared the champion of TechGig Code Gladiators 2019 edition. A radiant Sameer Gulati took home a cheque of Rs 3,00,000, a trophy and a certificate.

Congratulating the winners of Code Gladiators, Sanjay Goyal, Business Head, TimesJobs and TechGig said, "Finding quality talent in emerging technologies is one of the most pressing problems faced by technology companies today. TechGig Code Gladiators platform provides a fabulous opportunity for the brightest coders to showcase their talent in front of India's leading technology companies. I am happy that TechGig Code Gladiators has become the most credible platform in the IT industry today. My heartiest congratulations to all the winners and all participants who made it to the finale round after fighting this intense 87-day long coding competition."

Speaking at the Grand Finale, Anish Shah, President, Reliance Industries Ltd said, "Our journey with TechGig Code Gladiators has been an exciting one. The energy and enthusiasm in the grand finale arena was fascinating and I met so many bright coding minds from across the nation. I would like to congratulate Sameer for winning TechGig Code Gladiators 2019 edition. TechGig Code Gladiators has been an important partnership for us from a talent acquisition perspective as it positions brand Jio in a unique way to the technology community."

Kiran Thomas, President, Reliance Industries said, "The entire journey of Code Gladiators 2019 has been quite eventful and exciting. This year more than 2.6 lakh coders registered for the event and only 545 made to the finale arena. Many congratulations. Contests such as Code Gladiators has strengthened India's footprint on the global coding map. This event is not just about coders but about every technology enthusiast who wants to leverage technology for solving business problems."

The winners' list is:

**Champion - Sameer Gulati**
**1st Runner-up - Madhav Sainanee**
**2nd Runner-up - Pranjal Jain**
**3rd Runner-up - Jatin Yadav**
**4th Runner-up - Vineet Paliwal**

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