Hubballi's Rahul state topper in UPSC exams

NEW DELHI / HUBBALLI: Over 20 candidates from the state have cleared the prestigious civil service final examination of the year 2018.

According to results announced by the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) on Friday, Rahul Sharanappa Sankanur from Hubballi, who secured 17th rank, is top rank holder among the candidates selected from the state.

Apart from Rahul, other three candidates Lakshmi N (45), Akash S (78) and Kruthika (100) from the state secured within 100 ranks.

Other candidates who passed the examination and their ranks: Koushik H R (240), Vivek H B (257), Niveditha S Balaraddiyavar (303), Girish Dharmaraj Kalagond (307), Mirza Qadir Baig (336), Thejas U P (338), Harshavardana B J (352), Pakkiresh Kallappa Badami (372), Nagarjun B Gowda (418), Ashwija B V (423), Manjunath R (495), Brinda S (496), Hemanth N (612), Shruthi M K (637),

Family members of Rahul Sharanappa Sankanur (second from right) rejoice after he bagged the 17th rank in the UPSC exams at their Vidya Nagar in Hubballi on Friday. DH PHOTO

Venkatram (694), Ashok Kumar S (711), Ragavendra N (739), Santhosha H (753) and Shashikiran S (754).

Rahul Sharanappa Sankanur, a resident of Hubballi and a native of Idagunji village in Ron taluk, Gadag, has secured 17th rank in the UPSC exams. He stands first to Karnataka.

Rahul cleared the civil service exams in fifth attempt. He had cleared the Mains in 2016 and 2017 too, but could not clear the interview. A student of Ramakrishna Vidyashala,

Mysuru, and R V Engineering College, Bengaluru (E&C branch), Rahul owes his success to the school in Mysuru.

"I would study for 13 hours every day and read newspapers and magazines regularly," he said and added that he desired to serve in the education field. His father, Sharanappa Sankanur, is a retired PWD executive engineer, and mother Savitha is a homemaker. His uncle S V Sankanur is an MLC from BJP.

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