

# TIMELINE

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## Inaugural

The event was started by a simple but invigorating ceremony. The inaugural ceremony addressed all those who invested time and energy to participate in the hack, and the words of the chairperson of SSIT, Hardik Koushik which paraphrased to "Small innovation can propel great change in the world" set off the event with great vigor. The address thanked the team and the faculty organizers who helped make the event successful.

Nivesh Pandey, the ex-chairperson of SSIT, declared the domains for the hack whilst the founders of the event proceeded to announce the themes. Twenty-six problem statements were released on the official IEEE SSIT H4C website. The inaugural ceremony ended at 8 PM and students were allowed to break for dinner.

## Review 1

The teams proceeded to ideate and build a PowerPoint presentation that would comprise of the problem statements, the solution, and the work-flow model. Participants were given approximately two hours to finish their idea presentations. There were some musical performances that punctuated the process and gave the participants a much-needed break.

One can imagine the volume of creation and work that was done under one roof that night, especially with the wide range of problem statements that were available.

The first review began at 10:45 PM and eleven counters were set-up in the adjacent CS Hall where teams were sent in according to their numbers and slots. The pitch was ideally to be 3 minutes long. It is commendable to see how well planned the logistics of handling such a large number of participants was. Fifty of the 149 teams were to be selected to proceed to the next round.

The ideas were judged on their technical complexity, clarity, originality, and social applicability.

The first review proceeded till 1 AM in the morning after which the judges were allowed time for deliberation before announcing the results. In another half an hour, the results were announced and all the students, except those belonging to the fifty teams that had qualified to the next round, had to exit the competition at this point.