

# HackWave Rulebook

## Introduction

Welcome to HackWave'23, part of the annual technical fest of NITK - Engineer. This rulebook provides important information and guidelines for participants. Please read and understand these rules before the hackathon begins.

## Organizers

- IE x Engineer

## Date and Duration

HackWave will be a 24-hour hackathon, beginning on October 14, at 10:00 AM and concluding on October 15 at 10:00 AM IST.

This hackathon is conducted in a **hybrid mode**, allowing both in-person and virtual participation. Please review the rules and guidelines carefully to ensure a smooth experience.

## Eligibility and Registration

### Eligibility Criteria

All undergraduate students pursuing Bachelor's degree are eligible to apply.

### Registration Process

To participate in HackWave, you must register on Devfolio, our official registration platform. Follow these steps to complete your registration:

- Visit the [Hackathon Registration Page on Devfolio].
- Click on the "Register" button.
- Follow the instructions on Devfolio to create your account or log in if you already have one.
- Complete the registration form with your details, including team information.

### Team Size and Composition

- Teams can consist of maximum 4 members.
- All team members must be undergraduate students currently enrolled in a degree program.

This rule is in place to ensure fair competition among participants with similar academic backgrounds.

## Pre-Hackathon Preparation

## **Technology Requirements**

The technology requirements for participating in HackWave are minimal. Ensure that your laptop is in good working condition and that you have a stable internet connection throughout the hackathon. This will be sufficient to participate in the event.

## **Platform Information**

HackWave will be hosted on Devfolio, our official platform for hackathon management. Devfolio offers a user-friendly environment for event registration, project submissions, and communication.

All project submissions for HackWave must also be made on Devfolio. Detailed instructions on how to submit your project will be provided during the event.

Please ensure that you are familiar with the Devfolio platform and follow the provided instructions for registration and submissions.

## **Communication Channels**

### **Devfolio:**

Important updates, announcements, and official messages will be posted on the [HackWave Devfolio Page]. Participants are encouraged to regularly check this page for event-related information.

### **Discord:**

HackWave will have an official Discord server where participants can engage with fellow hackers, ask questions, and seek assistance. The Discord server invite link will be shared with all registered participants before the event. Please join the Discord server to stay connected and get timely support.

## **Hackathon Format**

### **Schedule Overview**

#### **September 10 - Hackathon Posted on Devfolio:**

The official HackWave hackathon details, including registration information and event specifics, will be posted on Devfolio by September 10th. Visit the [HackWave Devfolio Page] to access all the relevant information.

#### **September 30 - Release of Problem Statements:**

On September 30th, the official problem statements for HackWave will be released. Participants will have the opportunity to review these statements and start brainstorming their ideas.

#### **October 5 - Registration Deadline:**

The registration deadline for HackWave is October 5th. Make sure to complete your registration on Devfolio by this date to secure your spot in the hackathon.

**October 5 -Idea Submission Deadline:**

Participants are required to submit a document outlining their hackathon idea by October 5th. This document will be used for shortlisting participants.

**October 10 - Results shortlist:**

By October 10th, participants will be notified about the shortlisting results based on their resume and project proposal. Shortlisted participants will move on to the hackathon event.

**October 14 - Hackathon Begins:**

The HackWave hackathon will kick off on October 14th at 10:00 AM ([Timezone]). Get ready for 24 hours of innovation, coding, and collaboration!

## **Code of Conduct**

### **Sportsmanship and Respect**

- Treat all participants with respect and professionalism.
- Maintain a fair and friendly competition.

### **Plagiarism and Code of Ethics**

- Plagiarism is strictly prohibited. All code and content must be original or properly attributed.

### **Privacy and Security**

- Respect participants' privacy and data security.
- Do not engage in any form of hacking or malicious activity.

## **Project Submission**

### **Submission Deadline**

- Projects must be submitted by October 15, 10:00 AM.

### **Required Deliverables**

Code repository, presentation slides, video demos

## **Prizes and Awards**

Get ready to compete for prizes worth a total of 40,000!

**1st Prize: ₹25,000**

The first-place team will receive a cash prize of ₹25,000 as a reward for their outstanding work and innovation.

**2nd Prize: ₹15,000**

The second-place team will be awarded a cash prize of ₹15,000 for their impressive achievements during the hackathon.

We encourage all participants to give their best shot and vie for these exciting cash prizes. May the most innovative ideas and projects win!

## **FAQs**

### **Are there any restrictions on the technology stack I can use?**

You are free to choose your technology stack, but it should comply with the hackathon's technical requirements as outlined in the rulebook.

### **Is it mandatory to attend the in-person component if I'm participating virtually?**

No, participation in the in-person component is optional. You can choose to participate virtually if it's more convenient for you.

### **How will I access the virtual event platform?**

Virtual participants will receive access details and instructions via email before the hackathon. Please check your inbox for this information. All updates regarding the hackathon will also be provided on Devfolio and our Discord server.