



Ministry of Tourism

# Ministry of Tourism to Host “Smart India Hackathon 2017” On 1-2 April, 2017 in Kochi

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The Ministry of Tourism will host the Grand Finale of “Smart India Hackathon” on 1-2 April 2017 in Kochi, Kerala featuring 53 teams comprising of 230 students from technology institution/engineering colleges across the country .

The Smart India Hackathon is being held across 26 cities in the country including Kochi with the involvement and support of 29 Government Departments. This Hackathon is an initiative of the Ministry of Human Resources Development organised in collaboration with All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) and i4c and is aimed to help institutionalize the model of harnessing the creativity and technical expertise of youth in technical institutions.

The Hackathon for Tourism sector, to be held at the Mar Baselios Institute of Technology and Science [MBITS], Kothmangalam, Cochin, will focus on the use of technology to solve problem statements pertaining to Tourism Sector posed by Ministry of Tourism such as Safety & Security of Tourist, Path breaking technological solutions that would catapult India as a leading tourist destination, Museum Commentary etc.

The problem statements pertaining to tourism sector were given directly by the Ministry of Tourism based on the industry requirements which will be used to challenge the students for developing innovative digital solutions.

The newly developed solutions/technical products will be evaluated by experts and prizes shall be distributed for winners, 1st runner up and 2nd runner up. After the event, the Ministry of Tourism will prepare a plan of action for integrating the products/software which has come out this hackathon into the Departmental functioning.

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