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Apple India	2
Sagent M&C	1
Standard Chartered	1
Euclold Data Solutions	2
Verizon India	4
Bank of America	12
Norton Lifelock Pvt. Ltd.	2
Optum	4
L&T (off-campus)	1
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RandomWalk	1
Aptiv	2
Tejas Networks	1
Codestax.AI	3
Ford	2
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Samsung	1

Google's Summer of Code: Why You Should Join

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Open-source contributions are the foundation upon which modern software is built. From Linux distros to Hugging Face models, free and open-source software powers countless tools we use every day. But have you ever thought about contributing to their development?

If yes, consider joining **Google's Summer of Code (GSoC)**! It's an annual, beginner-friendly program where thousands of participants collaborate with open-source organizations on 12-week projects under the guidance of experienced mentors.

WHY SHOULD YOU CONTRIBUTE?

SKILL DEVELOPMENT

No classroom can fully prepare you for real-world software development. Open-source contributions, especially through GSoC, give you hands-on experience with version control, code reviews, and project integration. You'll also learn how to navigate and understand large codebases—an essential skill for any developer's career.

GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY

Most of the tools we rely on wouldn't exist without the selfless contributions of developers worldwide. By participating in GSoC, you're supporting and improving these tools, ensuring their relevance for future generations.



STIPEND AND CERTIFICATION

Yes, you get paid! GSoC offers a stipend for your contributions along with a certification upon successful completion. It's a fantastic addition to your resume and a badge of honor in the developer community.

PERSONAL GROWTH

Tackling real-world challenges is not easy. At times, you'll get stuck, feel frustrated, and face bugs that make you want to give up. But every problem you solve makes you a more resilient developer. It's not just about coding—it's about learning how to overcome obstacles.

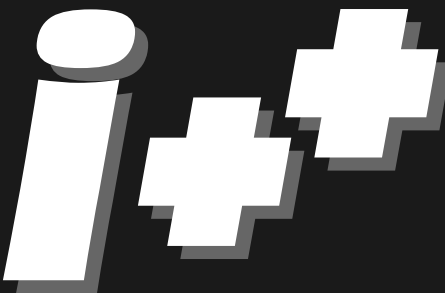


READY TO START YOUR OPEN-SOURCE JOURNEY?

There's no better time than now! Begin exploring open-source projects, contributing to them, and honing your skills. Who knows? The next big thing in software development could have your name on it!

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REPORT

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The Information Science and Technology Association (ISTA) at Anna University hosted the highly successful tech symposium, I++, an event that blended innovation, creativity, and collaboration. The symposium began with a vibrant inauguration and featured a variety of tech and non-tech events. Hackathons, coding challenges, and hands-on workshops catered to tech enthusiasts, while non-tech activities like debates, photography, and art competitions attracted participants with creative interests.

We are especially grateful to our generous sponsors, CodeStax AI and Magoosh, for gracing the event with their presence. Both sponsors conducted insightful sessions that added immense value to the symposium, and we truly appreciate their contributions. Their expertise and support made the event even more enriching for all participants.

Collaborations with renowned technical clubs like ACM and CSAU added depth to the event, providing diverse workshops, insightful talks, and networking opportunities. The symposium encouraged healthy competition by awarding cash prizes across all events, motivating participants to showcase their best efforts.

The inauguration and valediction were graced by dignitaries from the department as well as representatives from our esteemed sponsors, who further highlighted the importance of collaboration in driving innovation.

I++ successfully created a platform for learning and interaction, enabling participants to hone their skills and connect with peers and professionals. Its engaging atmosphere and diverse offerings have set a high standard for future tech symposiums at Anna University.



# Techtober Round Up

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## LEAKED GOOGLE AI ASSISTANT “JARVIS” ON CHROME WEB STORE

Google's experimental AI assistant, "Jarvis," was accidentally leaked on the Chrome Web Store, showcasing features like web browsing and task automation. Though the prototype was quickly removed, it signals Google's upcoming AI tool, set to compete with rivals like Anthropic's Claude, with an official release expected in December.

## IMPACT OF US COURT’S RULING ON GOOGLE’S DEFAULT SEARCH ENGINE DEAL

A US court has ruled that Google violated antitrust laws by paying billions to remain the default search engine, resulting in an illegal monopoly. As a result, Mozilla, which relies on this payment for 90% of Firefox's income, is facing a funding shortage. The Department of Justice is considering breaking up Google's business and banning such exclusive deals, which could impact independent browsers like Firefox, limiting consumer choice and privacy.

## SIGNAL UPDATED WITH CALL LINKS FEATURE, RAISE HAND BUTTON, EMOJI REACTIONS AND MORE IMPROVEMENTS

Signal has introduced an update with new features to improve group calls. The Call Links feature allows users to start group calls without needing a separate group chat. Additionally, the update includes a "raise hand" button, emoji reactions, and a new tab dedicated to calls on the app.

## BITCOIN PRICE SURGES AFTER US ELECTION RESULTS

Bitcoin hit a record high, surpassing \$75,000 following the US presidential election results. The cryptocurrency saw an 8.4% increase, with Ether also rising by 7.2%. The market's positive response is attributed to Trump's favourable stance on cryptocurrencies, while the dollar index strengthened by 1.25%.

## NVIDIA CEO EMPHASISES GLOBAL COOPERATION IN TECH AMID US EXPORT CONTROLS

Nvidia CEO Jensen Huang highlighted that global collaboration in technology will persist despite potential stricter export controls under the Trump administration. He emphasised the importance of open science and global cooperation in advancing AI and technology. Huang also declared that the age of AI has begun, reshaping industries.

## ‘ECONOMY AND EFFECTS OF COVID MAY DELAY INDIA’S DEVELOPER GROWTH PACE’: GITHUB CEO

GitHub CEO Thomas Dohmke has deferred the forecast of India surpassing the US as the world's largest software developer base to 2028, citing factors like economic conditions, US AI growth, and India's education pipeline. India, with 17 million developers on GitHub, remains on track, growing 28% this year. GitHub plans to expand its AI-enabled CoEs in India, boosting engineering efficiency with tools like Copilot. Dohmke stressed upskilling amidst AI adoption, affirming AI's transformative role in Software Development.

# ORU KADHA SOLTA SIR?!

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ISTA has unveiled an exciting new initiative, a podcast series titled "Oru Kadha Solta Sir?!". Geared towards students, budding professionals, and tech enthusiasts, this podcast is a one-stop destination for inspirational stories, cutting-edge tech insights and actionable tips to crack top-tier job opportunities. Hosted by **Mukilarasan V, the Head of Courses** at ISTA, the podcast provides an authoritative and relatable voice to guide listeners through the journey of cracking top-tier job opportunities.

The debut episode is already live and making waves! It features the inspiring journey of **Hariharan I S, an upcoming Oracle employee**, who takes listeners behind the scenes of his transformation from a determined student to securing a coveted role at one of the world's top tech companies. Through this episode, listeners gain exclusive insights into his strategies, challenges, and the skills that propelled him to success.

But that's not all. "Oru Kadha Solta Sir" is more than just success stories—expect expert tips on mastering interviews, staying ahead of industry trends, and unlocking the secrets of professional growth. With a thrilling start and an exciting lineup of episodes, ISTA's podcast is set to become a game-changer, empowering the next generation of tech leaders and innovators like never before. Don't miss it!



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