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How I Met My Investor - Tech Pitch Competition

Pitch your cutting-edge startup ideas to capture industry attention and compete among tomorrow's tech leaders.

Event Outline

- Date: 7th November 2025
- Time: 11:00 am to 12:30 pm

Key Details

Event Structure:

The competition will begin with Registration, where teams sign up online to confirm their participation. After this comes the Pitch Presentation, where each team will showcase their startup idea before the judges within the given time frame.

- Time Limit: 7 minutes for pitch + 3 minutes Q&A.

Judging Criteria:

Participants will be evaluated based on Business Viability & Feasibility, Innovation & Novelty, Relevance, Technology Integration, Presentation Quality, and Prototype/Demo (optional).

- Business Viability & Feasibility (25 points): Clarity and feasibility of the business model, market potential and target audience understanding. Market potential and revenue model.
- Innovation & Novelty (20 points): Originality in approach, design, or concept. Uniqueness compared to existing solutions and creative problem-solving.
- Market Relevance (20 points): Project alignment with current market needs and how well it addresses actual problems.

- Technology Integration (20 points): Effective use of technology to enhance the solution.
- Presentation Quality (15 points): Clarity, confidence, and engaging communication of the pitch.
- Total: 100 points

Guidelines for Participants

- Each team must prepare a pitch deck (slides) and may also include a prototype or demo if possible (optional, but encouraged). Prototypes can be built using tools like Figma, Canva, web/mobile app frameworks, or other prototyping platforms.
- The pitch must clearly explain: The problem statement, The solution/idea, Target market and customers, Business and revenue model, Technology used, Competitor analysis and differentiation, and Future roadmap.

Basic Rules

- Teams must strictly adhere to the time limit (7 minutes pitch + 3 minutes Q&A).
- All submissions (pitch decks/prototypes) must be the original work of the participants.
- Respectful conduct towards judges, organizers, and fellow participants is mandatory.
- The decision of the judges will be final.
- Any form of plagiarism or misrepresentation will lead to disqualification.



Registration Details

- Mode: Online.
- Team Size: 2–4 Participants.
- Registration Fee:
 - Early Bird Ticket: ₹150 per team
 - Normal Ticket: ₹200 per team

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O(n) Slaught - Competitive Programming Challenge

Participate in a thrilling coding adventure where logic meets speed, and only the sharpest minds survive!

Event Outline

- Date: 7th November 2025
- Time: 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Key Details

Event Structure:

- Single Round Event: Participants will solve 6 logic deduction-based coding problems.
- Each problem contains Sample Input and Sample Output.
- Task: Participants must analyze the pattern and implement the logic.
- Note: Hidden test cases will ensure generalization beyond sample data. The logic will not be explicitly mentioned; participants must deduce it from examples.

Judging Criteria:

- Accuracy: Outputs must match exactly for all visible and hidden test cases.
- Logic Deduction: Ability to decode the underlying pattern correctly.
- Efficiency: Time and space complexity of the solution (for medium/hard questions).
- Tie-Breaker: Based on submission time; faster correct solutions rank higher.

Guidelines for Participants

1. Each participant must compete individually or in a team of two.
2. You may code in C, C++, Java, or Python.
3. There is no negative marking.
4. Each problem carries different weightage based on difficulty.
5. You may submit multiple times before time runs out; the best valid submission counts.
6. No plagiarism or external discussion allowed during the contest.
7. The logic must be deduced from examples.
8. Questions may be interconnected to test progressive reasoning.
9. Only the final code submitted before the timer ends will be considered.
10. In case of a tie, total time taken to solve problems will decide ranks.

Basic Rules

- Reach the venue before the contest timings.
- No using the internet to find answers.
- Discussion with other teams is not encouraged.

Registration Details

- Mode: Online.
- Team Size: 1–2 Participants from the same college.
- Registration Fee:
 - Early Bird Ticket: ₹150 per team
 - Normal Ticket: ₹200 per team



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Oh My Grid – UI Battle Competition

A web-based challenge to showcase your UI design and styling skills using HTML & CSS through competitive rounds.

Event Outline

- Date: 7th November 2025
- Time: 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Key Details

Event Structure:

- Round 1 – CSS Mini-Battle (30 mins)
 - Minimal HTML provided.
 - Task: Style elements (card, button, text) to match a target design.
- Round 2 – Jumbled Website Challenge (90 mins)
 - Jumbled website provided.
 - Task: Recreate a clean, aligned layout and styling using HTML & CSS.

Judging Criteria:

- Round 1: Styling accuracy, spacing, fonts, colors, hover effects.
- Round 2: Layout alignment, spacing, responsiveness, styling accuracy.
- Round 2 carries higher weightage than Round 1.

Guidelines for Participants

1. Internet usage is allowed.

2. Communicate only with your teammate.
3. Submit within the time limit; late submissions are not accepted.
4. Disputes must be raised immediately.
5. Any editor or tool may be used.
6. Copying from others or external sources is prohibited.

Basic Rules

- Participants must join on time and follow all organizer instructions.
- Respectful behavior toward coordinators and other participants is mandatory.
- No team changes or substitutions after registration.
- Any unfair means or misconduct will lead to disqualification.
- In case of any disputes, the organizer's decisions will be final.

Registration Details

- Mode: Online.
- Team Size: 1–2 Participants.
- Registration Fee:
 - Early Bird Ticket: ₹150 per team
 - Normal Ticket: ₹200 per team

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Rootquest - Capture The Flag Challenge

A high-tech challenge where teams solve cyber-security puzzles and race against the clock for prizes.

Event Outline

- Date: 7th November 2025
- Time: 11:00 am to 12:30 pm

Key Details

Event Structure:

- Participants will be provided with a set of cybersecurity-themed challenges of varying difficulty.
- Each challenge hides a flag (a secret code or phrase) that must be submitted on the event portal to score points.
- Participants are free to use any online resources, tools, or scripts to solve the challenges. Creativity and persistence are key.
- Challenges are designed to be beginner-friendly, with a few intermediate-level puzzles for an extra edge.

Judging Criteria:

- Each challenge carries specific points based on its difficulty level.
- The scoreboard will reflect participants' progress in real time.
- Teams with the highest total points at the end of the competition will be declared winners.
- Tie-Breaker: The team that reached the score first will be ranked higher.

Guidelines for Participants

- The use of the internet is permitted and will be provided.
- Participants are not permitted to try to exploit or hack the portal on which they are competing.
- Participants must not attempt to access or interfere with the college network or any related systems.

Basic Rules

- Any kind of misconduct or unfair activity will lead to disqualification.
- Participants must follow all instructions given by the organisers during the event.
- In case of any disputes, the decision of the organiser will be final and binding.

Registration Details

- Mode: Online.
- Team Size: 1 or 2 Participants.
- Registration Fee:
 - Early Bird Ticket: ₹150 per team
 - Normal Ticket: ₹200 per team

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Loot and Load - BGMI event

An action-packed BGMI LAN tournament where teams battle it out for dominance through skill, coordination, and precision. Outlast your opponents, rack up kills, and lead your squad to victory.

Event Outline

- Date: 7th November 2025
- Time: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
- Venue: 4th floor CAD LAB.

Key Details

Event Structure:

The tournament will begin with Registration, where squads confirm their participation and submit their IGN and UID details. Teams will compete across four maps – Erangel, Miramar, Sanhok, and Vikendi, with points awarded based on both placement and eliminations. The team with the highest overall score after all rounds will be crowned the Loot and Load Champions.

- All matches will be played offline at the event venue in a custom room without recalls.

Scoring System (Placement Points per round):

Placement	Points
1	10
2	6
3	5
4	4
5	3
6	2
7-8	1
9-16	0

- Kill Points: Each kill earns the team 1 additional point.

Guidelines for Participants

- All matches will be played offline at the event venue.
- Each team is responsible for bringing at least one laptop to connect to LAN.
- Any form of threats, toxic behaviour, or unsportsmanlike conduct will result in disqualification.
- Use of any third-party software or applications that provide unfair advantages is strictly banned.

Basic Rules

- Any player or team found cheating, exploiting bugs, or using third-party tools will be immediately disqualified.
- Toxic or abusive behavior towards players or organizers will not be tolerated.
- Players must strictly adhere to match timings and instructions from organizers.
- The decision of the organizers will be final and binding in case of disputes.

Registration Details

- Mode: Online.
- Team Size: 4 Participants.
- Registration Fee:
 - Early Bird Ticket: ₹450 per team
 - Normal Ticket: ₹500 per team

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Tech Tac Toe – Think Fast, Mark Smart

A fun and competitive twist on Tic-Tac-Toe where every move is unlocked by solving technical questions under time pressure.

Event Outline

- Date: 8th November 2025
- Time: 09:00 am onwards

Key Details

Event Structure:

Two players will face off on a Tic-Tac-Toe board, where every move depends on answering a technical challenge within 10 seconds. The first player to complete a line (horizontal, vertical, or diagonal) wins the match. If a player fails to answer, the chance immediately passes to the opponent.

- Tie-breaker: A rapid-fire round of trivia will decide the ultimate winner.
- A fun twist awaits to decide the first move.

Judging Criteria:

- Based on correct answers, fair play and strategy.

Guidelines for Participants

- Each player will receive questions from programming logic and general tech topics.
- Only individual participation is allowed during the match.
- Each player must answer within 10 seconds; no extra time or repeat questions will be given.

- Players should stay attentive and ready when their turn arrives as missed turns will not be repeated.
- Participants are expected to stay calm and focused throughout the event.

Basic Rules

- The use of mobile phones, smartwatches or any external devices during the event is strictly prohibited.
- Participants must maintain fair play, honesty, and respectful behavior toward others.
- Once a round starts, no restarts or retries will be allowed except in case of a verified technical issue.
- Any form of cheating, arguing, or misbehavior will lead to immediate disqualification.
- In case of any disputes, the decision of the organiser will be final and binding.

Registration Details

- Mode: Spot registration.
- Team Size: Individual participation.
- Registration Fee: ₹50 per participant.

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Scavenger Hunt - The Ultimate Campus Quest

Embark on an exciting adventure across the campus where wit, teamwork, and speed will lead you to victory! Decode clues, find hidden QR codes, complete challenges, and race against time to emerge as the ultimate Codebreaker!

Event Outline

- Date: 7th November 2025
- Time: 9:00 am onwards

Key Details

Event Structure

- QR codes will be placed randomly across the campus.
- Each participant or team will receive their first clue at the registration point.
- Once a clue is accepted, the timer begins for that team's hunt.
- Participants may choose to accept their first clue immediately or at any time during the live event.
- Each clue will lead to a QR code location containing a unique task or challenge.
- After completing a task, teams must return to the registration point to record their completion time.

Judging Criteria

- Total time taken to complete all tasks.
- Accuracy and successful completion of each challenge.
- Number of correctly solved clues.
- Team coordination and adherence to event rules.

Guidelines for Participants

- Once a team starts a task, it must be completed before moving on.
- Skipping a task results in zero points for that round.
- Failure to follow instructions or report completion will lead to disqualification.

Basic Rules

- Participants can compete individually or in pairs.
- Damaging, removing, or tampering with QR codes is strictly prohibited.
- Use of AI tools or mobile phones to solve clues is not allowed during the hunt.
- Organizers' decision will be final in case of disputes.
- Winners are decided based on total points, with ties broken by fastest solve time.

Registration Details

- Mode: Spot Registration.
- Team Size: 1–2 participants.
- Registration Fee: None (Free Entry).

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Speedcuber - Spin Fast. Think Faster

A competitive event where participants race to solve a scrambled Rubik's Cube in the shortest time possible. It's a test of speed, strategy, and focus, where every twist counts toward victory!

Event Outline

- Date: 6th, 7th & 8th November 2025
- Time: Available Throughout The Day

Key Details

Event Structure:

- Participants will be given a pre-scrambled standard 3×3 Rubik's Cube.
- They will have 15 seconds of inspection time, during which no moves are allowed, after which the cube must be placed back on the table.
- The timer starts as soon as the participant touches the cube to begin solving.
- The timer stops when the cube is fully solved and placed back on the table.
- In case of a tie, a tie breaker round will be conducted.

Judging Criteria:

- All faces of the cube must be completely solved for the solution to be considered valid.
- The winner is determined by the fastest solving time recorded during the event.
- In case of a tie, a tie breaker round will be conducted.

Guidelines for Participants

- Rubik's Cube will be provided to the participant.
- Participants must strictly follow the instructions of the volunteers and event co-ordinator at all times.

Basic Rules

- This is an individual participation event.
- Decisions made by the organizer and judges will be final.
- Damaging the Rubik's cube is strictly not allowed.

Registration Details

- Mode: Spot Registration.
- Team Size: 1 participant.
- Registration Fee: ₹50 per participant.

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Blazing Fingers- Zap Your Fingers with Fireeeee!

Blazing Fingers is an open typing challenge designed to test the ultimate combination of speed and accuracy. Participants will compete on [Monkeytype.com](#), taking one official timed attempt. Each participant's final score will determine their position on the leaderboard, making every keystroke count.

Event Outline

- Date: 6th, 7th & 8th November 2025
- Time: Available Throughout The Day
- Venue: Royal Mech

Key Details

Event Structure:

- Participants can walk in and register anytime during the event hours.
- Participants will take a 1-minute official typing test on [Monkeytype.com](#) (English mode).
- Their results will be submitted to the organizers for validation and ranking.

Time Limit:

- 1 minute per attempt.
- Each participant is allowed one official attempt.

Scoring Formula:

$$\text{Final Score} = \text{WPM} \times \left(\frac{\text{Accuracy}}{100} \right)$$

Example: 80 WPM × 92% Accuracy = 73.6 points

Leaderboard:

A live leaderboard will track scores in real-time. The participants with the highest verified scores at the end of the event will be declared winners.

Guidelines for Participants

- Use [Monkeytype.com](#) in English (1-minute mode) only.
- External typing aids, macros, predictive tools, or autocorrect are not allowed.
- Participants are advised to warm up on Monkeytype before their official attempt.
- In case of a verified technical issue, re-attempts may be permitted at the discretion of the organizers.

Basic Rules

- Participants must maintain respectful conduct toward judges, organizers, and peers.
- Any form of plagiarism, manipulation, or misrepresentation will lead to disqualification.
- Participants must adhere to the instructions provided by organizers.
- Disruptive or dishonest behavior will not be tolerated.
- The decision of the organizers is final in all matters related to scoring and fairness.

Registration Details

- Mode: Spot Registration.
- Team Size: 1 participant.
- Registration Fee: ₹50 per participant.



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