







Head **Dept. Computer Science & Engineering** Ahsanullah University of Science and Technology

'CTO Forum Innovation Hackathon 2021'

Dear Sir,

Greetings from CTO Forum Bangladesh!

We would like to inform you that the CTO Forum Bangladesh (CTOFB) is a forum of present and past Chief Technology Officers/Chief Information Officers/Heads of Technology/Heads of IT/IT Managers or equivalent position of any ICT user organization in Bangladesh. It is a non-profit and non-political forum of IT professionals of Bangladesh. The purpose of CTO forum is to become a trusted partner of policy makers, regulators and stakeholders and the objectives are to engage in meaningful dialogue and suggest solutions that are critical to the IT industry, explore topics of mutual interest and most importantly bring synergy between business and technology leaders.

CTOFB launched a focused strategic innovation center namely 'CTO Forum Bangladesh Innovation Center' as part of its 'Strategic Initiatives - 2020 and Beyond' and was inaugurated by the Honorable State Minister, ICT Division, Ministry of Posts, Telecommunications and IT Mr. Zunaid Ahmed Palak MP. This innovation center is the independent technology incubator and research wing of CTOFB and will continue its operations creating nationwide awareness on innovative and emerging technologies. CTOFB intends to organize various workshops/events/seminars/training programs etc. in collaboration with local and global technology partners under the banner of this innovation center.

We are delighted to inform you that CTOFB is going to organize a nationwide Hackathon namely 'CTO Forum Innovation Hackathon' in 2021. Hi-Tech Park Authorities of Bangladesh and a2i (aspire to Innovation) form ICT Division are the partners of this Hackathon. We are connecting Public and Private Universities for their participation as well as public and private industry experts will also take part. The Hackathon will be held on virtually and it's have 3 (Three) round (Idea, Prototype and Final). Inauguration will be held on 4th September 2021 virtually by the presence of Honorable State Minister Mr. Zunaid Ahmed Palak MP at 3pm.

It would be great if your department's students participate on 'CTO Forum Innovation Hackathon –2021'. CTO Forum Bangladesh announce 100K BDT cash prize for winner and 75K BDT for 1st Runner-up and 50K BDT for 2nd Runner-up, also 6+ honorable mentions "Computing Gadgets". Registration link www.ctoforumbd.org. We are focusing now on eGovernment technology stack development for Bangladesh with our local capacity that will supplement the service digitization process in Bangladesh by smart and innovative global technologies. Challenge Statement and program schedule are given by this mail attachment for your kind consideration.

We would request your kind consideration to announce about CTO Forum Innovation Hackathon -2021' among your students. If you need any further assistance, please feel free to contact Mr. Saiful Islam, Sr. Lecturer, DIU, 01989089279, ctoforumbd@gmail.com

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