Complete Guide to HackWithInfy 2025 (Updated June 2025)

Introduction

<u>HackWithInfy</u> is Infosys' premier coding competition for engineering students in India. It offers **preplacement interviews (PPIs)** for technical roles with competitive compensation. The contest evaluates:

- Round 1: Algorithmic problem-solving (3 hours)
- Round 2: Innovation hackathon (48 hours)

Roles & Compensation

Role	CTC (LPA)	Key Selection Criteria
System Engineer (SE)	₹3.5	Arrays, sorting, basic recursion
Digital Specialist (DSP)	₹6.2	DP, graphs, backtracking
Specialist Programmer (SP)	₹9.5	Segment trees, game theory, CP-level mastery

Competition Structure

Round 1: Online Coding (3 Hours)(Click Here for more details)

- **Format**: 3 problems (Easy/Medium/Hard)
- Qualification:
 - o SE: Solve ≥1 problem
 - o DSP: Solve ≥2 problems (including 1 medium)
 - o SP: Solve all optimally
- Key Topics:
 - o Arrays/Strings
 - o Dynamic Programming
 - Advanced Trees

Round 2: Grand Finale (48-Hour Hackathon) (Click Here for more details)

- **Deliverables**: Prototype + pitch deck + demo video
- Winning Tech Stacks:

Domain	Tools
Web	MERN (MongoDB, Express, React, Node)
AI/ML	TensorFlow + Scikit-learn
Cloud	AWS/Azure deployment

• **Judging Criteria**: Innovation (40%), scalability (30%), UI/UX (30%)

DSA Syllabus & Resources (Link)

- 1. System Engineer (SE)
 - Topics: Binary search, greedy methods, BFS/DFS, basic recursion
 - Resources:
 - o GeeksforGeeks SE Guide
 - o LeetCode Easy Problems
- 2. Digital Specialist (DSP)
 - **Topics**: 0/1 Knapsack, Dijkstra's, Trie
 - Resources:
 - o Striver's DSP DSA Sheet
 - HackerRank Graphs
- 3. Specialist Programmer (SP)
 - Topics: HLD, XOR tricks, matrix exponentiation
 - Resources:
 - o CodeForces 1500+ Problems
 - o CP-Algorithms Advanced Guide
 - o HackerRank

Preparation Strategy

Phase 1: Foundation (1st Week)

• Daily Routine:

Morning (2 hrs): Topic study (e.g., DP)

Afternoon (2 hrs): Solve 10 problems (LeetCode/CodeChef)

Evening (1 hr): Analyze failed solutions

• Tools: Visualgo for algorithm visualization

Phase 2: Contest Simulation (2nd Week)

• Weekly Plan:

Day	Activity
Mon-Wed	Topic drills (e.g., graphs only)
Thu-Fri	3-hour mock tests
Sat	Live contests (CodeForces/LeetCode)

Phase 3: Hackathon Readiness

- Key Steps:
 - 1. Master 1 full-stack framework (e.g., React)
 - 2. Build 2 projects using APIs (e.g., Google Maps API)
 - 3. Deploy on AWS

Top 10 Must-Solve Problems

1. Arrays: Max Subarray Sum

2. **DP**: 0/1 Knapsack

3. Graphs: Dijkstra's Shortest Path

4. Trees: LCA in Binary Tree

5. Bit Manipulation: Single Number II

6. Backtracking: N-Queens

7. Hashing: Group Anagrams

8. Greedy: Coin Change

9. Trie: Word Search II

10. Segment Trees: Range Sum Query

Hackathon Toolkit

Category	Tools	
Frontend	React, Angular, Tailwind CSS	
Backend	Node.js, Django, Flask	
Database	MongoDB, Firebase	
Deployment	AWS EC2, Vercel, Netlify	
APIs	OpenWeather, Twilio	

Project Ideas:

- AI-based crop disease detector (IoT + ML)
- Blockchain voting system
- Mental health chatbot (NLP)

Verified Resources

Practice Platforms

- LeetCode (Infosys Tag)
- Hackerrank
- GeeksforGeeks DSA

Previous Year Papers

- 2023 Questions
- 2022 Solutions

Video Tutorials

- DSA Mastery
- MERN Stack
- AWS Deployment

Community Support

- Discussion Forums:
 - o Infosys Careers Forum
 - LeetCode Discuss
- Q&A: Stack Overflow Infosys Tag
- Study Groups: Discord Server

Preparation Timeline(For Very Beginner)

Timeframe	Activity
Months 1-2	Complete Striver's SDE Sheet
Month 3	Solve CodeForces Contests
Last 2 Weeks	Build hackathon prototype

Final Checklist

- 1. **Before Round 1**:
 - Solve all 2023 questions
 - o Achieve LeetCode rating ≥1600 (for SP)
- 2. **Before Hackathon**:
 - Prepare cloud deployment scripts
 - o Draft problem statement with societal impact
- 3. **During Hackathon**:
 - o Prioritize working demo over extra features
 - Document code with comments

Pro Tip: For SP roles, maintain a **CodeForces rating ≥1600**. Track progress here.

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Need Help?

- Email: hackwithinfy.support@infosys.com
- Live Chat: Infosys Careers Portal