

Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare

Kritagya Hackathon Organised by Indian Council of Agricultural Research

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Relevant to M&M- FES, FAAS

Background


- The National Agricultural Higher Education project was launched in 2019
- The total cost of the project was Rs 1100 crores
- World Bank provide the funding support to the project. The share of fund between Gol and the World Bank is in the ratio of 50:50. The programme support ICAR and participating agricultural universities

Details of the Hackathon

- It was launched with an objective to promote Farm Mechanisation specially women friendly equipment's
- Students from any university and college can apply and participate in the event.
- The event will distribute prizes as well:
 - first prize winner will receive Rs 5 lakhs,
 - second prize will receive Rs 3 lakh and
 - third prize winners will receive Rs 5 lakh
- The hackathon aims to enhance the farm productivity and profitability by enhancing the innovation in farm mechanization
- This event is providing an opportunity to the students, faculties, innovators, entrepreneurs, and other stakeholders to present their innovative approaches and technological solutions to promote farm mechanization in India
- The hackathon is in line with the high-quality higher education that provides equity and ensures inclusion as is the target of National Education Policy(NEP) 2020

For Further Study

1. <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1658055>

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 3. <https://currentaffairs.gktoday.in/what-is-kritagya-hackathon-092020342752.html>