

# IEEE - Smart India Hackathon

The VTU-IEEE Student Branch, in collaboration with the Department of Computer Science Engineering, VTU Belagavi, organized a 24-hour **Smart India Hackathon** on **17th and 18th August 2024** at the **Silver Jubilee Bhavan**, VTU Belagavi. The event brought together over 200 participants from various VTU-affiliated colleges across Karnataka, including Mysore, Kalaburagi, Davangere, and Bangalore, to collaboratively solve real-world problems through innovative coding solutions. The primary objective of the Hackathon was to enhance students' problem-solving abilities and coding proficiency by addressing real-life challenges across domains such as traffic control, agriculture, and education.

The event was formally inaugurated in the presence of the Hon'ble **Registrar of VTU** and other senior university officials. Participants were pre-assigned problem statements and worked intensively for 24 hours within the venue. Throughout the Hackathon, jury members including professors and industry experts visited the teams, providing guidance and evaluating their progress. Participants also engaged in fun activities organized by the core committee to manage stress and maintain energy levels during the overnight session. On the second day, teams presented their solutions via PPT to the jury. Shantveer and team from Department of Computer Science Engineering, VTU, Belagavi were the winners and was also selected for National Level. The Hackathon successfully fostered innovation, collaboration, and resilience, providing a dynamic platform for young technocrats to showcase their skills and creativity.

