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CIRCULAR

Subject: Participation of Faculty and Students in **Green Mind Hackathon 2025 – Sustainable AI Innovation Initiative**

Reference: The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor's approval Dated: 29.08.2025

All Principals of affiliated/constituent/autonomous colleges are hereby informed that **Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU), Belagavi** is joining as a *Knowledge and Outreach Partner* for the **Green Mind Hackathon 2025**, a pioneering national initiative on **Sustainable AI Innovation**.

The Hackathon is being jointly organized by the **Green Computing Foundation** in association with **Sir M. Visvesvaraya School of Architecture, Bangalore Bio-innovation Centre**, , and several industry and academic partners. The event is also supported by the **Department of IT/BT, Government of Karnataka** and other national/international collaborators.

- The **national-level online hackathon** will be conducted from **1st to 14th November 2025**.
- The **final demo day** will be hosted at **Sir MVSA campus, Bengaluru on 15th November 2025**.

This initiative will provide an excellent opportunity for **students, researchers, and faculty members** across all institutions to work on practical, scalable, and energy-efficient AI solutions aligned with the **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**.

Action to be Taken by Colleges:

1. **Disseminate this information** to all students and faculty.
2. **Encourage participation** in the Hackathon by nominating interested faculty members and student teams.
3. Submit the **details of participating teams/faculty** to the email ID mentioned in the attached information brochure.

The detailed proposal and guidelines are enclosed with this circular for reference.

Your cooperation in motivating and deputing participants for this transformative initiative is earnestly solicited.

All **Principals of Affiliated / Autonomous / Constituent Engineering Colleges** and **Chairpersons / Programme Coordinators of University Departments** are hereby informed to bring the content of the circular to the notice of all concerned.

Registration Link: <https://hackathon.greencomputingfoundation.org>

Contact details for information about the Hackathon

1. **Dr. Gayathri Aaditya**, Principal and Professor, Sir MV School of Architecture, 9986186398, gayathriaaditya@sirmvsa.org
2. **Dr. Niladri Choudhuri**, President, Green Computing Foundation, 8105966200, niladric@greencomputingfoundation.org

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To,

All the principals of the Engineering Colleges under the ambit of the university
All the Chairpersons/Programme coordinators of the university departments at Kalburgi, Belagavi, Mysuru, and Bengaluru

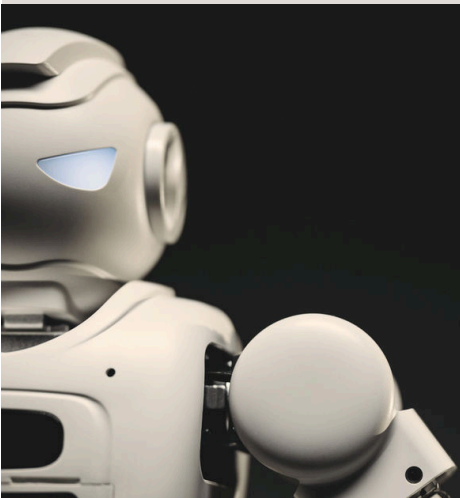
Copy to,

1. The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, through the Secretary to VC for information
2. Dean, Faculty of Engineering, VTU Belagavi, for information
3. The Director ITI SMU for information and make arrangement for the uploading of the circular on VTU web portal
4. Office file



PARTICIPATION DETAILS

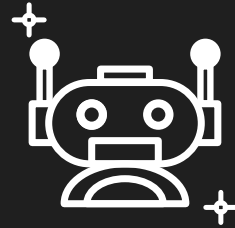
- Eligibility: Open for Students (1st Year & above), Start-Ups, Corporates
- Team Size: 1-5 Members
- How to participate: Teams can register online. All the entries will be evaluated. Shortlisted entries will be invited to participate in the hackathon.



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HACKATHON OBJECTIVES



Innovation

Solve real-world problems with creative AI approaches

Sustainability

Minimize environmental impact through efficient AI practices

Viability

Create solutions with clear business potential and market fit

Impact

Address meaningful challenges across diverse industries.

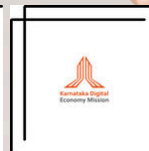
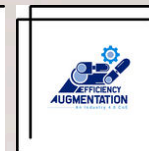


PIONEERING SUSTAINABLE AI INNOVATION

3 Tracks | Hybrid | Oct 31 - Nov 15
Students | Start-ups | Corporates



STRATEGIC PARTNERS



HOSTING PARTNER



Registration Open!

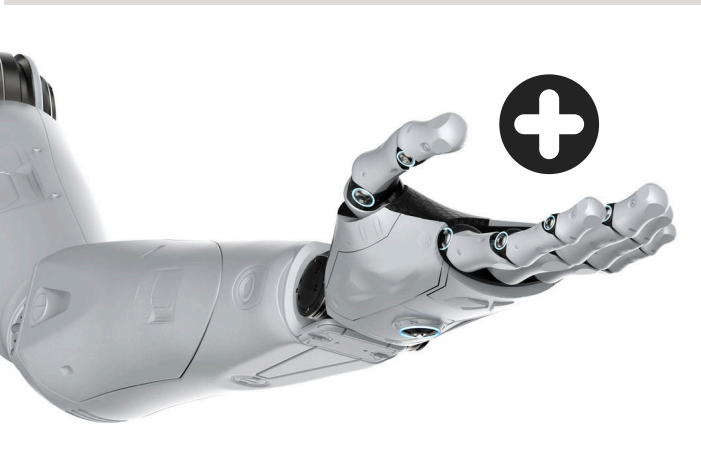


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- Mentoring Opportunity
- Speaking Opportunity
- Access to Talent Pool
- Align with ESG & CSR goals
- Networking opportunity

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WHAT'S INCLUDED ?

Participants Get Access To

- Challenge Guide
- Emission Measurement tools
- Lightweight AI Models
- Green Development Environment
- Expert Mentoring

REWARDS & RECOGNITION

- Cash Prizes
- Incubation Opportunity
- Industry Recognition

