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## Smart India Hackathon 2023 Organised By Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell (MIC)

**- Techno India University (TIU) and Techno Main Salt lake (TMSL)  
Are The Nodal Centres Of Kolkata -**

**Kolkata, 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2023: Smart India Hackathon (SIH)** is a nationwide initiative by Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell to provide students a platform to solve the pressing problems of the government, ministries, departments, industries and other organizations. SIH has been acclaimed as the world's biggest open innovation model and it inculcates the culture of product innovation and problem-solving among students. SIH is conducted every year since 2017 in two formats i.e. SIH Software and SIH Hardware Editions for higher education students. Last year in 2022, Smart India Hackathon – Junior was also introduced for school student.

The Nodal Centers for Kolkata this year are Techno India University (TIU) and Techno Main Saltlake (TMSL). There will be four problem statements under Ministry of Law, Department of Justice. Number of teams total gathering: 22 (TIU). There will be recreational activities like Karaoke, singing, dance and zumba for the students, which are being organized by Techno India Group.

Smart India Hackathon 2023 grand finale is scheduled from 19<sup>th</sup> December to 23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2023. Smart India hackathon has witnessed huge participation from Ministries, departments, PSUs, and private organizations in providing problem statements. SIH 2023 has offered 231 problem statements received from 51 departments of 25 Ministries.

Over 12000 participants will participate in this year's SIH grand finale at national level. These SIH teams along with 2500+ Mentors will travel to the assigned nodal center and will work on these problem statements during grand finale of SIH 2023.

The Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell and All India Council for Technical Education has identified 47 higher educational institutes/ incubators as Smart India Hackathon nodal centers to host the participant of SIH and facilitate an environment to conduct the Smart India hackathon in its well defined and established format. At each nodal center, an officer designated by the Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell will monitor and preside over the proceeding during the entire duration of SIH grand finale.



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Hon'ble Prime Minister of India has been interacting with the student participants of the Smart India Hackathon every year since its inception and PM is expected to interact with the students this year again on the evening of 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2023.

Smart India Hackathon 2023 is jointly organized by Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell, All India Council for Technical Education, and i4c. Doordarshan and Akashwani are the media partners of the Smart India Hackathon 2023. AWS and Hero are the official partners and Hack2Skill is the knowledge partner of the Smart India Hackathon 2023.

Each year Smart India Hackathon is conducted at various nodal centers, where selected student teams, industry representatives, design mentors, and evaluators travel to the assigned physical centers. The Premier and prominent higher educational institutes/ incubators are identified as nodal centers by the Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell and All India Council for Technical Education in different cities. During the SIH grand finale, the student team works round the clock under the guidance of mentors and industry / Ministry representatives to produce the working solution for the selected problem statements.

"Smart India Hackathon 2023 is an unique initiative by Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell (MIC). We at Techno India Group are obliged to be hosting such a large-scale event for the students. We have always looked towards innovation and a holistic development of the students and these initiatives provide a strong platform for the students to showcase their skill. We look forward joining hands with Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell for such initiatives in future," said **Prof. Manoshi Roychowdhury, Co-Chairperson, Techno India Group.**

The program will be centrally inaugurated by the Ministry of Education at 9:00 AM on 19 December, 2023.

### **About Techno India Group**

Techno India Group is the largest private education group in Eastern India and one of the largest in the country. It has numerous enrolled students, 5000 Faculty & Staff Members, 21 Engineering Colleges (AICTE & University Approved), 12 Business Schools, 18 Public Schools (Playgroup to Class XII), 1 million Alumni, 6 HS Schools, 100 state of the art campuses and overseas tie-up collaborations. The Group established the first Private University of the state, Techno India University.

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