

Telangana Academic Grand Challenge on Climate Change

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

- **Post filling out the form, how long does it take to get the registration done?**
Once you apply, you may expect a waiting time of 24 hours to get an email with the confirmation and directions for Round 1. In case you don't get any communication within 24 hours, please write to taim@nasscom.in.
- **Does the candidate need to make any kind of GUI-based software like an Android App or Desktop App or just write the code?**
You can expect to receive more details about this when your team clears Round 1.
- **Can MTech/Post Graduation students apply for the competition? Would they be eligible for the challenge?**
Yes, MTech/Post Graduation students can participate in the challenge provided that they are expected to graduate in 2023, 2024 or 2025.
- **In the challenge for predicting the occurrence of heat wave day, could you please confirm whether heat wave is already defined or if we must define it on our own?**
Kindly use this definition: <https://www.ndma.gov.in/Natural-Hazards/Heat-Wave>.
- **Is it open to all the students or only the ones based out of Telangana?**
The Grand Challenge is open to all the students from across the country, unless otherwise notified.
- **Is this Hackathon physical or virtual?**
The Academic Grand Challenge on Climate Change is completely virtual.
- **Are re-takes allowed in Round 1 MCQ?**
No, re-takes won't be allowed.
- **What are the passing criteria for Round 1? Will there be any knockouts?**
There are no passing criteria for Round 1. The scoring will be relative. Only selected student teams will move to the next steps. You can consider each round as a knockout.
- **What is the POC? Please elaborate.**
POC is the Proof of Concept and that would be Round 3 of this competition where you would be expected to build the solution.
- **What is the weightage of the POC evaluation?**
The evaluation of the POC would be based on 20% on the accuracy and 40% on Technicality. The remaining 40% is based on the Approach Note (Round 2).
- **Can we make a team from the same or a different college?**
The team members can be from the same college or different colleges. We don't prescribe any restriction in terms of the team composition.

- **We have already registered; can we still add somebody to the team or remove a team member?**
In case you want to add/remove a member, please write to us at taim@nasscom.in. Please note the team size should be a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 4.
- **Will there be a Q&A for the approach notes?**
Yes, there will be a Q&A for approach notes (Round 2) and all the queries would be answered.
- **When will we get the MCQ result?**
The results for the Round 1 (MCQ test) will be announced on 28th Jan.
- **Would we be provided mentors? If yes, then how & when**
No mentors would be provided on a 1:1 basis. However, we will have Open Houses that will feature mentors/experts who will guide all teams for further rounds.
- **Is the POC GUI-based?**
GUI-based isn't mandatory, but preferable. Details will be provided to the teams shortlisted for Round 3.
- **Is participating in a team compulsory?**
Yes, team participation is recommended. You can benefit by bringing together the best of everyone's abilities and skillset.
- **What is a round one and what are the steps to complete it?**
Round 1 is MCQ-based assessment of your team's code comprehension capability. After applying to the Grand Challenge, you get a confirmation mail that helps you understand the next steps.
- **We are a team, based in different locations, how can we take the test together?**
Yes, you may, and you can use Zoom/Google Meet/any other virtual meeting platform. We don't have any restrictions.
- **Do all the participants get the participation certificate?**
Unfortunately, all the students would not get participation certificates. Only the ones who make it to the top will receive certificates.