

Ministry of Education appeals students to join Viksit Bharat Buildathon 2025 – India's largest innovation movement

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The Ministry of Education, in collaboration with the Atal Innovation Mission, NITI Aayog, has launched the Viksit Bharat Buildathon 2025, a nationwide innovation movement set to engage students from schools having classes 6 -12. This would be India's largest-ever student innovation initiative and an important step towards the vision of Viksit Bharat @2047.

The Buildathon calls upon students of Grades 6–12 to join teams, think creatively, and develop ideas and prototypes that address real-life challenges. Students will work around four themes of national importance:

1. Atmanirbhar Bharat – building self-reliant systems and solutions
2. Swadeshi – fostering indigenous ideas and innovation
3. Vocal for Local – promoting local products, crafts, and resources
4. Samridhhi – creating pathways to prosperity and sustainable growth

Students, teachers, and schools across the country are encouraged to participate wholeheartedly in this movement. It is not just a competition, but a platform to showcase creativity, innovation, and problem-solving skills at a national and global level.

To encourage and recognise student innovators, schools will submit their entries in the form of photos and videos. A national panel of experts will evaluate the entries, and the top student teams will be awarded prizes. Beyond recognition, these schools and students will receive long-term support through corporate adoption, mentorship, and resources to further strengthen their innovations.

Key Features of the Buildathon:

- Students innovating together in the world's largest live innovation activity
- Hands-on, experiential learning in line with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020
- Inclusive participation with special focus on Aspirational Districts, Tribal and Remote Regions

The Viksit Bharat Buildathon 2025 is a clarion call to students to dream big, innovate fearlessly, and contribute to India's journey towards becoming a developed nation by 2047. Every school and every student are invited to take part in this movement, showcase their talent, and make their mark as the innovators of tomorrow.

Timeline:

- 23rd September 2025: Launch of Viksit Bharat Buildathon
- 23rd Sept – 6th Oct 2025: Registrations
- 6th Oct – 12th Oct 2025: Preparatory activities
- 13th October 2025: Nationwide Live Buildathon across all schools
- 14th – 31st October 2025: Submission of entries by schools

- November 2025: Evaluation of entries
- December 2025: Announcement of Top winners

The Viksit Bharat Buildathon 2025 is more than an event—it is a movement to ignite young minds, celebrate innovation, and strengthen the spirit of Atmanirbhar Bharat. Every student is urged to rise to the challenge and be a proud contributor to India's innovation story.

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