



## Report from the Contest Director

The contest challenges students, working in three-person teams, to rely on their programming skills and creativity during a five-hour battle of logic, strategy, and mental endurance. Students solve complex problems using both traditional and new software development tools. Out of 604 teams registered in the contest on October 31, 2015, we selected top 60 teams for the onsite contest at National Institute of Technical Teachers' Training & Research, Kolkata. This is the first time it has been organized at this Institute and the second time in Kolkata which is known as the City of Joy. The city was colorful on the eve of the Christmas Celebration.

I am proud to inform you that the ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest [Asia Region Kolkata Site] was conducted successfully at the National Institute of Technical Teachers' Training & Research, Kolkata (India). It's a matter of great honor to be able to host this contest. I am happy to say that the Contest really went off very well. This was largely due to the wonderful teamwork of the Institute.

Teams started arriving on the campus from December 24, 2015 onwards with lot of hopes, ideas and enthusiasm. On December 25, 2015, the Inaugural function started at 9:30 AM. Professor Phalguni Gupta, the Regional Contest Director of Kolkata Site, delivered the welcome address. Mr. Arun Kumar Saha, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Institute and the Joint Managing Director, IL & FS, was the Chief Guest of the function. Mr. Saha welcomed every contestant and wished the successful completion of the event. Professor C J Hwang, Asia Director welcomed all contestants for this mega event and talked about the growth of the event in India. There were three key-note speeches delivered by three distinguish speakers, Dr. Joydeep Banerjee, IBM India, Mr. Subhashis Mullick, Jagannath Educational Trust, Kolkata and Mr. Anoop Kalbalia, Directi, India.

To enable contestants to become familiar with the environment, on December 25, 2015 we had a practice session, which started at 3:00 PM and continued till 4:30 PM. On December 26, 2015 the contest began at 10:15 AM. It was of five hours duration. There were 11 problems.

Results were declared on December 26, 2015 at 6 PM by Professor C. J. Hwang, Asia Director of ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest. We are glad to announce that Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur (Team Name: FacelessMen) is the Winner of the Contest. The team could solve





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8 problems. Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay (Team Name: ntm) is another team who could solve 8 problems. There are 3 teams who could solve 7 problems. Its statistics is given below:

No. of Problems Solved	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
No. of Teams	2	3	4	5	6	19	14	4

Results are available on our web site [www.icpckolkata.in](http://www.icpckolkata.in). Out of 60 teams, 2 teams could not participate because of their other engagements and 57 teams could solve at least one problem.

The Contest provided a platform where our future programmers, professionals, industries and government organizations worked together. It would have been impossible to organize this event without the wonderful support I received from everyone. My grateful thanks to all the contestants, coaches, all team members of Directi, Judges, Problem Setters, ACM contest organizers, the Institute colleagues, organizing committee, volunteers, service providers, and a lot of people who helped from both within and outside the Institute. I also thank the media for providing wide publicity to this contest.

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