



## 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 520 teams registered in the contest on October 22, 2016, we selected top 100 teams for the onsite contest held at Kolkata. This contest is organized jointly with JIS University and National Institute of Technical Teachers' Training and Research Kolkata. 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. 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 25, 2016 onwards with lot of hopes, ideas and enthusiasm. On December 26, 2016, the Inaugural function started at 9:30 AM. Professor Phalguni Gupta, the Regional Contest Director of Kolkata Site, delivered the welcome address. Prof. Santanu Sen, Principal, GNIT welcomed every contestant and wished the successful completion of the event. There were three key-note speeches delivered by three distinguish speakers, Mr. Kishaloya Roychowdhury, IBM India, Mr. Sudheer Kumar Meesala, Endurance and Mr. Anoop Kalbalia, Directi, India.

To enable contestants to become familiar with the environment, on December 26, 2016 we had a practice session, which started at 3:00 PM and continued till 4:30 PM. On December 27, 2016 the contest began at 10:00 AM. It was of five hours duration. There were 12 problems.

Results were declared on December 27, 2016 at 4:30 PM by Professor Phalguni Gupta, RCD. We are glad to announce that Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay (Team Name: Rocket) is the Winner of the Contest. The team could solve 10 problems. Results are available on our web site [www.icpckolkata.in](http://www.icpckolkata.in). Out of 100 teams, 8 teams could not participate because of their other engagements.

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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