



**GITAM School of Core Engineering
Hyderabad campus**



**Department of Electrical Electronics And
Communication Engineering**

HAVANA '26

THE JOY OF TECH SPIRIT

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About GITAM Hyderabad



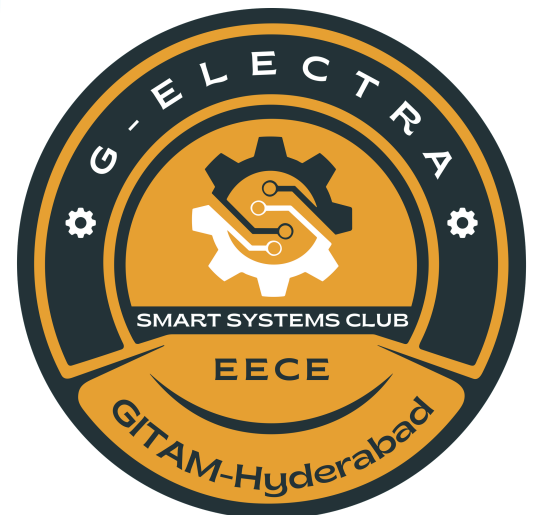
GITAM - Hyderabad campus established in 2009, is committed to enhance the potential of human resources and enrich academic performance and research innovation as well as expand the frontiers of knowledge through interactive and collaborative pedagogy.

It has state-of-the-art infrastructure and incorporates value education, social responsibility and problem solving skills in the curriculum. It follows goal oriented and innovative practices to mould students into trustworthy, resourceful and multitalented professionals.

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About G-Electra (Smart Systems Club)

G-Electra is a dynamic student-led club under the Department of Electrical, Electronics & Communication Engineering. It's dedicated to building skills in smart systems and related technologies, where students are encouraged to develop prototypes and real-world systems with faculty guidance. Our mission is to prepare students for successful careers by equipping them with the practical experience needed in core industries.



What is HAVANA?



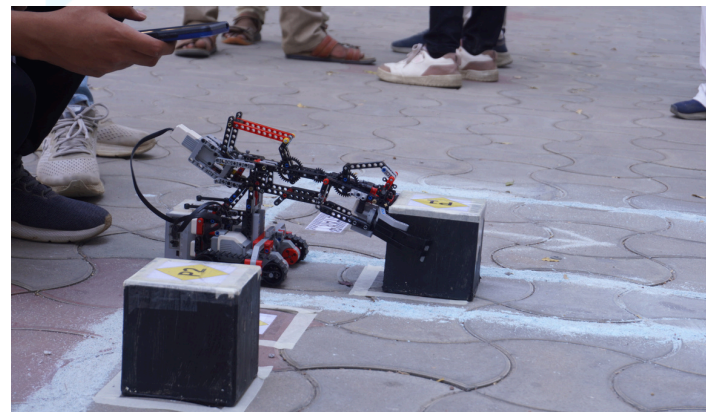
Inspired by the Sanskrit word 'HAVANA', meaning fire, our tech fest symbolizes the burning passion and relentless drive for technological innovation. HAVANA'26 is a National Level Inter-Institutional Tech Fest, bringing together bright minds from across the country to explore cutting-edge technologies, ignite creativity, and push the boundaries of what's possible.



This event offers an unparalleled platform for students and tech enthusiasts to showcase their talents, compete in thrilling challenges, and engage in knowledge-sharing across diverse domains. Whether you're looking to innovate, collaborate, or compete, HAVANA'26 is the ultimate celebration of technology and the future!

Highlights of HAVANA'25

This two-day event invites students, tech enthusiasts, and professionals from across the country to participate in thrilling competitions, hands-on workshops, exhibitions, and networking opportunities. Come be part of a vibrant atmosphere, where ideas ignite and connections are made!



The logo for HAVANA '26 features the text 'HAVANA'26' in a bold, stylized font. The letters are filled with various icons representing technology: a gear, a lightbulb, a person's silhouette, a circuit board, and a person wearing a hard hat. Below the main text, the tagline 'THE JOY OF TECH SPIRIT' is written in a smaller, black font.

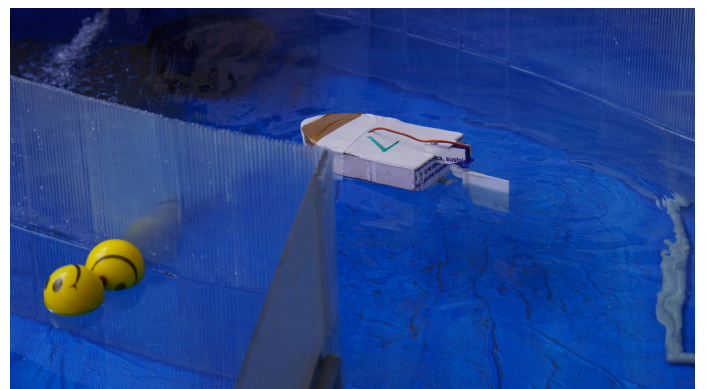
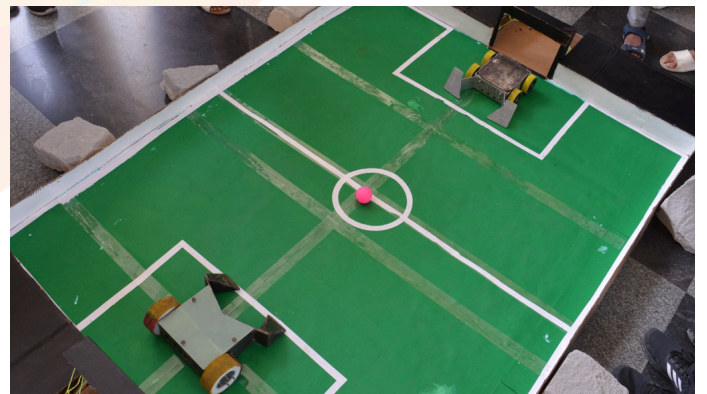
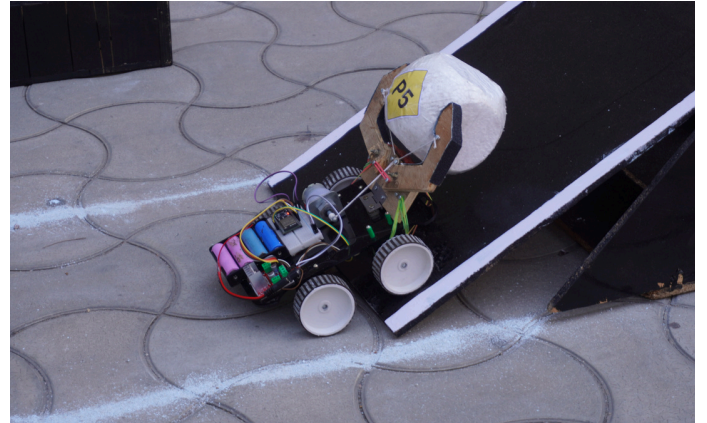
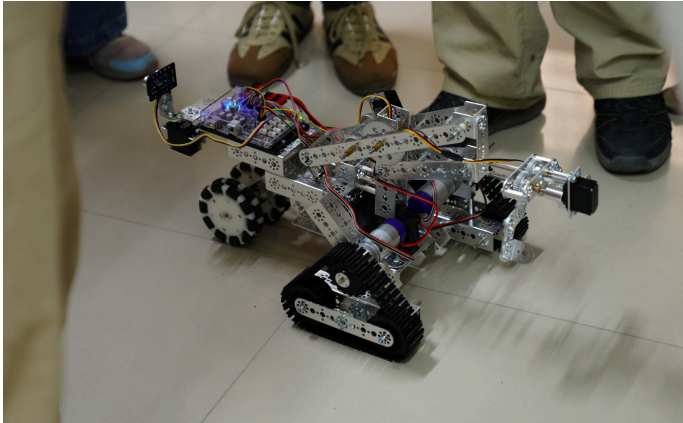
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The HAVANA Tech Fest 2025 at GITAM Hyderabad, held on February 27–28, brought national-level innovation, technology, and collaboration under one roof. Organized in partnership with G-Electra (Smart Systems Club), the fest was inaugurated by Chief Guest Dr. G. Rameshwar Rao, who emphasized adaptability, practical learning, and global opportunities in the tech industry. With participation from over 2000 students, Day-1 featured high-energy competitions such as Turbo Track, GripX, Striker League, Knockout, Track It, AeroMax, Splash Rush, and the 24-hour HackEra hackathon. These events showcased creative engineering, teamwork, and real-world problem-solving, setting a vibrant tone for the fest.

Day-2 shifted focus to research, entrepreneurship, and prototype-driven innovation through events like Protoverse, devBattle, Replica, InkSpire, and Post a Pitch. Students demonstrated their technical expertise, research insights, and innovative thinking to industry experts and peers. Supported by seamless coordination, enthusiastic participation, and extensive media coverage, HAVANA'25 concluded with the final presentations of HackEra, marking the end of two days filled with learning, exploration, and technological brilliance. The fest strengthened the bridge between academia and industry while inspiring young innovators, paving the way for an even larger and more impactful HAVANA 2026.



EVENT GALLERY



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Competitions

Line Follower

Build and race a robot that autonomously follows a marked track, tackling turns and speed changes with precision. Open to all skill levels, this event offers a fun way to explore robotics and sensors. Compete for the fastest, most accurate bot in this exciting race!



Drone Competition

Experience the thrill of drone racing as students navigate challenging courses with precision and agility! Whether flying solo or in teams, participants showcase their piloting skills while learning about aerodynamics, electronics, and drone mechanics. These events promote teamwork, creativity, and innovation, offering a chance to enhance Practical Knowledge.



Robo Race

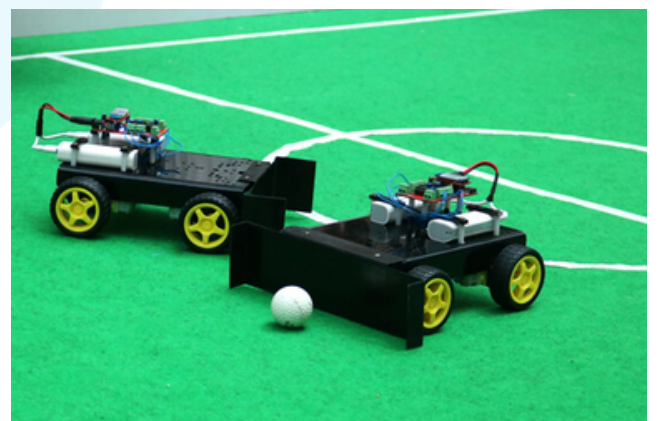
Experience the thrill of innovation in motion. In this competition, teams build high-speed autonomous robots to navigate a dynamic track filled with twists, turns, and obstacles. The challenge demands precision, agility, and smart control as bots race to clock the fastest time. The Robo Race Challenge tests core abilities in robotics, programming, and engineering—while offering exciting prizes for top performers. Get ready to race to victory!



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Robo Soccer

Robo Soccer is an exciting and innovative competition where participants design and build robots to compete in soccer-style matches. The objective is to create bots capable of navigating the field, controlling the ball, and scoring goals with precision. This challenge highlights speed, agility, coordinated movement, and strategic play bringing engineering and athletics together in one thrilling event.



Codeathon

Join us for an exciting on-campus coding competition where participants solve challenging programming problems within a set time. Compete individually in a focused, high-energy environment that tests your logic, efficiency, and problem-solving skills. With cash prizes for top performers and participation certificates for all, this event is a great opportunity to sharpen your coding abilities and connect with fellow tech enthusiasts.



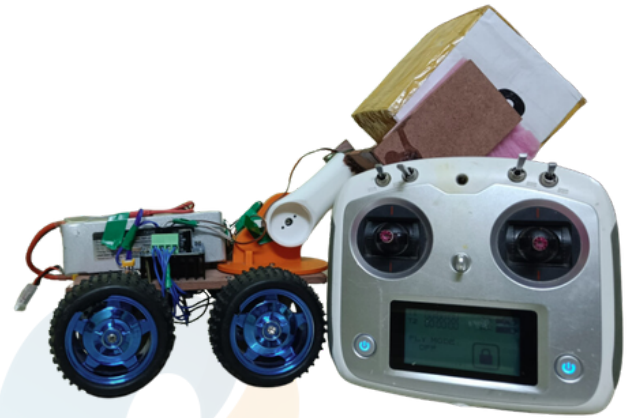
Proto Expo

The Project Expo is an exciting event where students come together to present both hardware and software projects, share their research, and introduce new ideas. This platform allows students from various backgrounds to showcase the knowledge and skills they've gained, fostering collaboration across disciplines.



Gripper Bot Challenge

Put your skills to the test in the Gripper Bot Challenge! Participants design robots equipped with precision grippers to pick, place, and move objects through a structured course. This event highlights accuracy, control, and innovation as teams compete to complete tasks in the shortest time and claim exciting prizes.



Paper Presentation

Showcase your research, innovation, and analytical skills through a structured paper presentation. Participants present their work on cutting-edge topics, gain valuable insights, and receive expert feedback. This event encourages critical thinking, creativity, and knowledge exchange across disciplines—an ideal platform to share impactful ideas with a vibrant academic community.



24 hr Hackathon

Join the ultimate 24-hour challenge where students from across India collaborate to build impactful and innovative tech solutions. Work in teams of 1–5, develop a functional prototype, and present your idea across multiple evaluation rounds focused on creativity, execution, and real-world applicability. A true test of teamwork, endurance, and problem-solving.



Poster Presentation

Present your research visually through our Poster Presentation event. Participants showcase their projects, concepts, and findings across diverse topics in a creative and engaging format. This platform encourages direct interaction, meaningful discussions, and valuable feedback from peers and experts—an excellent opportunity to share insights and bring ideas to life.



Robo Wrestling

Robo-wrestling is a robotics competition where two robots face off in an arena, each trying to push, flip, or disable the other to win. The robots, typically designed and built by engineers or students, are equipped with mechanisms like pushing arms.



Event Dates
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Why to Attend HAVANA'26?

Unlock your potential at HAVANA'26, a premier National Level Tech Fest where innovation meets opportunity. Here's what you can expect:

- **Skill Development:** Participate in hands-on workshops covering AI, blockchain, robotics, and more to gain in-demand, industry-relevant skills.
- **Networking:** Connect with fellow tech enthusiasts, mentors, and top tech companies, expanding your professional network in a collaborative and inspiring environment.
- **Prizes & Recognition:** Compete for exciting prizes and recognition in various competitions. Standout projects may even lead to sponsorships, internships, or industry exposure.
- **Career Opportunities:** Engage with leading companies through exhibitions and presentations, discovering career paths and job opportunities in the fast-evolving tech industry
- **Hands-on Experience:** Participate in practical sessions, interactive demos, and tech showcases that help you apply classroom concepts to real engineering challenges.



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