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INNOVATION CHALLENGE SUSTAINABLE FUTURE CITIES

20 November 2026 | Coimbatore
23 November 2026 | Greater Noida
26 November 2026 | Chandigarh

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INNOVATION CHALLENGE

Delivered by Western Sydney University's Launch Pad Technology Business Incubator, the upcoming Innovation Challenge "Sustainable Future Cities" will be held on Friday 20 November in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu; on Monday 23 November in Greater Noida, Delhi NCR; and on Thursday 26 November in Chandigarh.

During the challenge, interdisciplinary teams will explore how the world can innovate for a sustainable tomorrow and create more liveable, efficient, and resilient urban spaces through sustainable infrastructure. Ideas and solutions could include; technologies, a startup company, campaigns, policies and regulations, education programs, or other ideas to address identified industry sector areas.

Through the Innovation Challenge, students will develop key skills in areas including:

- communication
- team-building
- problem-solving
- analysis
- influencing
- pitching

At the end of the challenge, teams will present their ideas competing for high-value prizes at a final pitching competition.

Challenge Overview

As urbanisation accelerates, the integration of advanced technologies into city planning becomes crucial. By exploring forward-thinking strategies and harnessing digital advancements, we can redefine urban spaces to be smarter, more sustainable, and resilient against future challenges.



How will the teams work?

4 members per team

Year 10-12 students

Appointed team leader for each group

All members from 1 school, mixing of grades allowed

***Important notice:** all team members must complete the Parental Consent Form and submit with a Statement in video format as part of registration

Prize Information

*There will be 3 winning teams with high-value prizes.

1st Prize



iPad Air

(1 iPad per member)

Runner-Up



Apple Watch

(1 watch per member)

People's Choice



AirPods

(1 AirPods per member)





Key Dates

- **Registration Close Date**
Monday, 14 September 2026
**Registration might close earlier than the closing date if it reaches capacity.*
- **Info Session**
Monday, 28 September 2026
11:00 AM - 01:00 PM (online via Zoom)
- **Finalists Announcement**
Friday, 16 October 2026
- **Innovation Challenge Day**
8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Friday, 20 November, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu
Monday, 23 November, Greater Noida, Delhi NCR
Thursday, 26 November, Chandigarh



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Scan the QR code or go to bit.ly/INDIA-IC26
for more information and register for the challenge.

Participant Benefits

The Innovation Challenge is suitable for Year 10 to Year 12 students with an interest in STEM, humanities, social sciences, business, education and health areas. All participants who complete the Challenge will receive a digital badge and certificate while building new skills through:

- **Digital badge**
Receive a digital badge and certificate while building job readiness.
- **New thinking**
Work closely with students and industry leaders to find and engage with new innovative ideas.
- **Leadership & teamwork**
Build skills to lead and collaborate with a team.
- **Industry connection**
Network with industry mentors and influential people from the industry
- **Learn new skills**
Work with a range of specialist mentors to develop skills that build your job readiness.
- **Make friends**
Engage with students, staff, and entrepreneurs and enjoy a fun experience.

