



VISVA-BHARATI

Viksit Bharat Cell

NOTICE

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Subject: Invitation to participate in “Innovate for Bharat” 2027 under the Viksit Bharat Young Leaders’ Dialogue (VBYLD) 2027

In pursuance of UGC letter No. 1-1/2026(Innovate for Bharat) dated 8 October 2026, eligible students/youth of Visva-Bharati are invited to participate in **“Innovate for Bharat” 2027**, an initiative of the Department of Youth Affairs, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India.

The initiative encourages innovative, scalable and impact-oriented solutions to real-world challenges through the following three challenges:

Challenge	Nature and eligibility
Design for Bharat (DfB)	Design innovation challenge for college and university students aged 18-29 years .
Hack for Social Cause (HSC)	National hackathon for college and university students aged 18-29 years .
Youth Entrepreneurs Challenge (YEC)	Start-up challenge for youth aged 18-35 years , including start-up founders and working professionals.

Participation and opportunities: Participation is free of cost. The challenges include registration, submission, screening/evaluation, mentoring and national-level showcasing. Selected participants will have an opportunity to showcase their ideas/products at VBYLD 2027, scheduled for **10-12 January 2027 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi**. Some selected participants may also have an opportunity to present before the Hon’ble Prime Minister. Cash prizes are envisaged for winners.

Registration and details: Interested participants should visit the official MY Bharat portal for registration, detailed eligibility conditions, submission requirements, schedules and closing dates:

<https://mybharat.gov.in/vbyld-2027>

Applicants should check the portal for the applicable registration and submission deadlines and any updates. The national event dates stated above are not application deadlines.

Principals of Bhavanas, Heads of Departments/Centres and concerned university units are requested to give wide publicity to this initiative and encourage eligible students/youth to participate.

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Enclosures: Three publicity posters supplied with the UGC letter (following pages).

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