

**Hope Foundation's
International Institute of Information Technology,
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**Activity Report
START-UP SURGE 2024**

Academic Year: 2023-24

Name of Event: START-UP SURGE 2024

Date & Time of Conduction: 13th April 2024, 8:30 a.m. - 5.30 p.m.

Venue: International Institute of Information Technology

Number of Participants: 27 Teams

Activity Description:

On the final day of Startup Surge 2024, an array of impactful activities marked the conclusion of this dynamic event.

The morning commenced with a stirring Inauguration Function, characterized by heartfelt speeches, digital inaugurations, and a captivating video portraying the journey of our esteemed Founder Chairman, Shri. P. P. Chhabria. The event was graced by the presence of distinguished guests and dignitaries, including Chief Guest Dr. Arvind Shaligram, Distinguished Guest Mr.Saurabh Mangrulkar, who shared their insights and words of encouragement with the audience. Following this, the Launch of Dhruva Magazine 5.0 added another layer of excitement and anticipation to the proceedings.

In the first phase, 27 teams were selected based on the strength of their idea submissions, which took place online. These teams showcased exceptional creativity and promise, presenting innovative concepts that captured the imagination of the evaluators. Moving forward, these selected teams embarked on the next stage of the competition, where they further honed their ideas and presentations, demonstrating their readiness to compete at the highest level.

In the second round, participants presented their ideas more briefly, focusing on refining their concepts and addressing feedback. There were three panels for evaluation, operating simultaneously with distinct panel members. The panel members were:

- Panel 1: Ms.Deptii Chaudhari and Mr.Pankaj Mittal
- Panel 2: Mr.Saurabh Mangrulkar and Dr. Varsha Degaonkar
- Panel 3: Dr. Rajesh Chowdhary and Dr. Deepak Uplaonkar

After a rigorous evaluation process in round 2, the top 10 finalists emerged from among the 27 teams.

These finalists then faced a pivotal moment in their journey as they entered the Pitching round with investors, including Mr. Anup Tapadia, Mr. Shridhan Rokade, Ms. Vrushali Ghuge, and Mr. Sagnik Ghosh. In this high-stakes environment, the finalists presented their ventures with conviction and enthusiasm, seeking to secure investment and support for their innovative ideas.

With great anticipation, the moment arrived for the declaration of winners. Amidst applause and excitement : **Team Retrieve, Team Impact Connect, and Team Ranwara Kukul Palan** were crowned as the champions of Startup Surge 2024. Following this momentous announcement, the prize distribution ceremony commenced, honoring the outstanding achievements of these teams. Dr. Jyoti Surve expressed gratitude to all participants, sponsors, and supporters for their invaluable contributions. In her heartfelt vote of thanks, she extended appreciation to everyone involved, acknowledging their dedication and commitment. The event concluded with a patriotic rendition of the National Anthem, symbolizing unity and celebration of entrepreneurial excellence.



Ragoli at Startup Surge



Panel members



Winners Of Startup Surge

