NEW HORIZON
COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

DEPARTMENT OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING
and
DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

National Level Competition on Group Discussion

Date: 18/09/2025

Venue: A006, NHCE   **Time: 9:30 am to 1:30 pm**

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Silver Jubilee Year Celebrations

SILVER SPECTRUM TECHFEST-2025

National Level Technical Symposium
Department of Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning
Department of Computer Science and Engineering

GROUP DISCUSSION

📅 18 September 2025   🕘 09:30 AM to 12:30 PM   📍 A006

- No registration fee
- First Prize – ₹10,000
- Second Prize – ₹5,000
- E-Certificates will be provided to all the participants

Themes:
Technology & Innovation • Society & Technology • Future Trends & Ethics • Digital Privacy vs National Security • Green Technology

General Rules
- Open to individuals or teams of 2.
- Free registration; selection on a First-Come, First-Served basis.
- Topics announced 5 minutes before GD
- Each group will consist of 6 - 8 participants.
- Participants must report 30 minutes before the scheduled time.
- Best Speaker will be selected from each group in prelims.
- Top performers will progress to semi-finals/finals

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Introduction

On 18 September 2025, New Horizon College of Engineering (NHCE) celebrated its Silver Jubilee year with the Silver Spectrum Techfest 2025 by hosting a national-level Group Discussion competition. The event took place in the Class Room No. 006 of Dept of AI &ML. and ran from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. It attracted students from institutions across India, providing a platform to share thought and emerging technological concepts. A total of 58 students participated, forming 38 teams, making the session both competitive and highly interactive.

Competition Overview

The Group Discussion (GD) competition provided a national platform for students to showcase their knowledge, critical thinking, and communication skills on contemporary and thought-provoking topics. Teams actively participated in structured discussions, presenting diverse perspectives and logical arguments while responding to counterpoints. The event aimed to encourage analytical depth, originality of thought, teamwork, and effective articulation. Each GD session was followed by an evaluation round, where participants were assessed on their ability to defend their viewpoints, listen actively, and contribute constructively to the discussion. E-certificates were given to all participants, and the best teams were rewarded with cash prizes of ₹10,000 for first place and ₹5,000 for second place.

Themes

- ❖ Technology & Innovation

- ❖ Society & Technology

- ❖ Future Trends & Ethics

- ❖ Digital Privacy vs National Security

- ❖ Green Technology

Rules and Regulations

- ❖ Open to individuals or teams of two members.

- ❖ Free registration; selection on a First-Come, First-Served basis.

- ❖ Topics announced 5 minutes before GD

- ❖ Each Group with 10 team allotted 12–15 minutes for presentation plus 2–3 minutes for conclude.

- ❖ Top performers will progress to semi-finals/finals

- ❖ Judges will evaluate on clarity, technical depth, innovation, presentation skills, visuals, Q&A handling, and time management.

- ❖ Judges' decision will be final and binding.

- ❖ E-certificates will be provided to all participants.

- ❖ First prize: ₹10,000 and Second prize: ₹5,000..

About Group Discussion

The Group Discussion (GD) competition opened with a well-structured and engaging program coordinated by both students and faculty of New Horizon College of Engineering. The host for the day was Roshi and Rakshita, who guided the audience smoothly through every segment of the event and ensured the discussions proceeded on schedule. The program began with a profile reading by Khushi and Servesh, introducing the purpose of the GD competition and providing a brief overview of the Silver Spectrum Techfest 2025.

The event was organized and managed by an active team of student coordinators –Roshi, Rakshita, Sharik, Manogna, Dheer and Rashmi. They ensured that the registrations, seating arrangements, and technical setups were carried out seamlessly, making the competition run without interruption. Guiding and supervising the entire process was Bhawna Khokher, the Faculty Coordinator, who provided valuable support and oversight from planning to execution.

For the evaluation of the group discussions, the college appointed an experienced panel of judges. The internal jury member was Dr. Rajshree and Dr. Jimsha M, who brought academic expertise and a deep understanding of communication and analytical skills. The external jury member was Mr. John Aroza, Tech Lead at UST Global, who contributed an industry perspective and assessed the participants' ability to argue logically, work as a team, and present practical viewpoints. This combination of dedicated hosts, talented performers, efficient student organizers, and knowledgeable jurors created a professional yet vibrant atmosphere, ensuring the GD competition reflected both the academic excellence and the celebratory spirit of NHCE's Silver Jubilee year.

Winner Details

The Group Discussion Competition at Silver Spectrum Techfest 2025 concluded with an exciting award ceremony recognizing the best performances of the day. Out of 38 participating teams, two emerged as winners for their outstanding analytical skills, clarity of expression, and ability to present diverse perspectives. The winners were honored with cash prizes of ₹10,000 for first place and ₹5,000 for second place, along with certificates of excellence.

First Prize – ₹10,000

Team Members: Prisha Ramrakhiani & Nimisha Upadhyay

College: New Horizon College of Engineering

Second Prize – ₹5,000

Team Members: Mohd. Nazim Munaf & Chethana B

College: New Horizon College of Engineering

The team showcased remarkable analytical and communication skills in their group discussion on the impact on real and vertical experience based on Technology.

Conclusion

The announcement of the first and second prize winners marked the highlight of the ceremony and celebrated the creativity and technical depth of the participants. The event concluded with a warm vote of thanks, expressing gratitude to the jury members, faculty coordinators, student organizers, and all participants for making the competition a success. With the results declared and acknowledgements delivered, the Tech Talk event successfully wrapped up the Silver Spectrum Techfest 2025 on a note of appreciation and achievement.

Feedback Report

The Tech Talk Competition held on 18 September 2025 at New Horizon College of Engineering received positive responses from participants and attendees. Feedback was collected from students, faculty, and invited guests to evaluate the organization, content quality, and overall impact of the event.
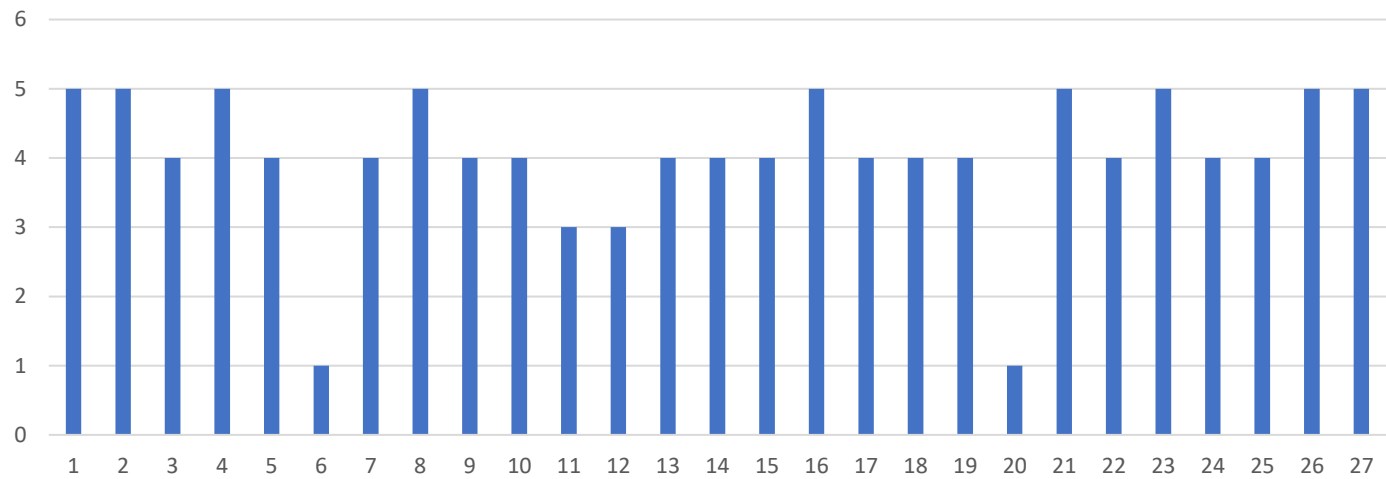
Key Observations

Content Quality: Participants appreciated the diverse range of technical themes and the opportunity to present innovative ideas. Many mentioned that the sessions were informative and encouraged deeper learning.

Event Management: The scheduling of presentations and smooth coordination by student and faculty organizers were highlighted as major strengths. The clear communication before and during the event helped participants stay prepared.

Judging and Evaluation: The presence of both internal and external jury members was well received. Participants felt that the evaluation criteria were fair and transparent.

Engagement: The Q&A sessions after each presentation were seen as valuable for interactive learning. Attendees enjoyed the opportunity to ask questions and gain insights from different perspectives.

Suggestions: A few participants requested accommodation.
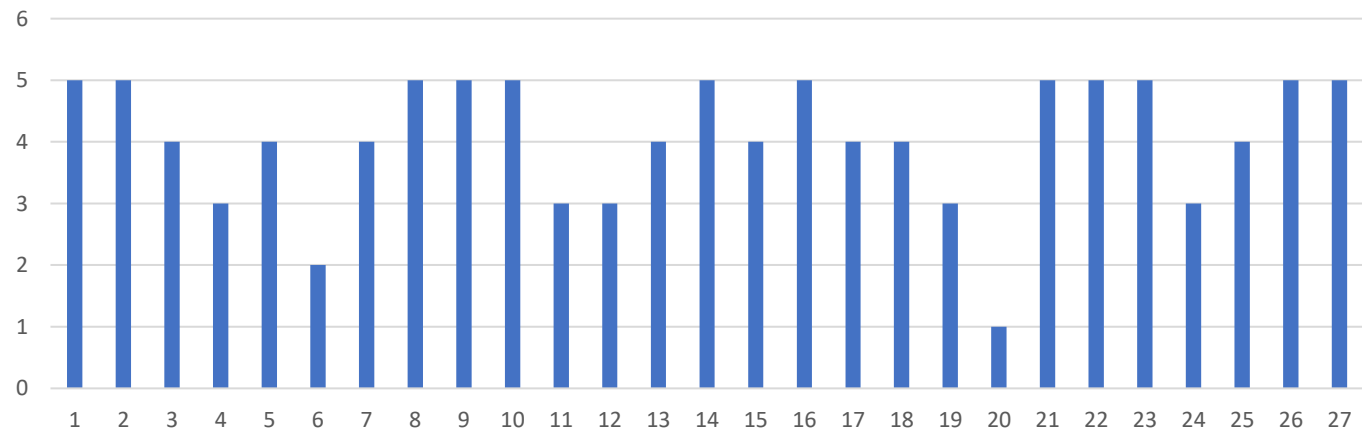
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For those who informed well in advance, accommodation facilities were arranged. Same-day requests could not be accommodated due to limited availability. For future national-level events, the organizing committee will plan to handle such requirements more effectively.
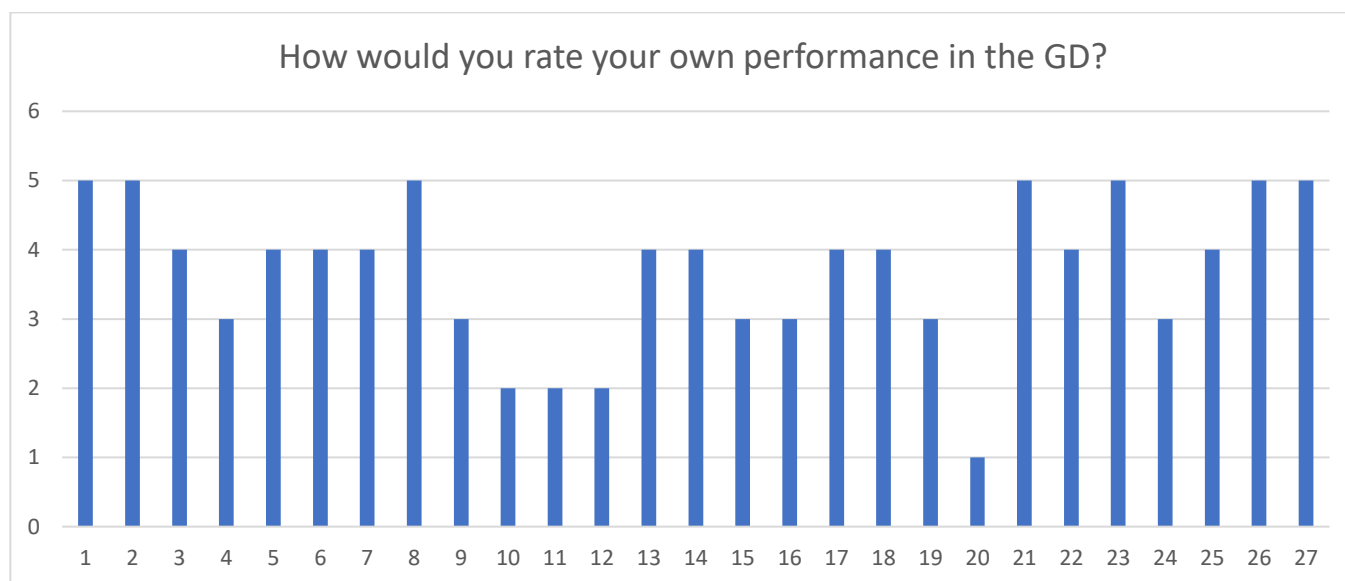
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How satisfied were you with the overall event experience?

How would you rate the organization and time management of the event?

How would you rate your own performance in the GD?

Experience

It was good…	The team which I was in. They behave as if it was debate but it was group discussion. Last sem when
Experience and keeping our thoughts more clearly	More themes and topic
Connecting to new people	
We could get an opportunity to interact with like minded peoples.	Selecting more groups to next rounds so that they will get one more opportunity to explore themselves
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I enjoyed when i was discussing about the topic that was given to me.	Group discussion can be improved by giving ideas and ellaborating on it.
The discussion itself	According to me nothing
Learning how to do a gd	Time management
Socializing	
Connections and embracing my intellect	
While interacting with the other team members	Allow two participants for gd 1
Yes	Yes
The energy of the participants	It was good
The Topics	
The judges' insights	This was perfect
Discussion session	Team coordinator and accommodation instruction
The way u all managed	It's good

Feedback Summary

The feedback indicates a high level of satisfaction with the event's organization and technical depth. Participants valued the platform to showcase their skills and learn from peers. Judges and faculty praised the professionalism of the presentations and the enthusiasm of the teams. The overall response reflects that the Group Discussion Competition successfully met its objectives of encouraging innovation, promoting knowledge sharing, and celebrating NHCE's Silver Jubilee with a well-executed national-level technical event.

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