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SDG 17 : PARTNERSHIP FOR THE GOALS
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17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

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ABOUT THE SCHOOL

The School of Computing is the largest in the SRM family with over 12000 students and 500 + faculty members. The School hosts four departments namely Computing Technologies, Networking and Communications, Computational Intelligence and Data Science and Business Systems. Various programmes are offered at undergraduate level with specializations in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning, Big Data Analytics, Computer Networking, Internet of Things, Cloud Computing, Cyber Security, Information Technology, Business Systems and Software Engineering apart from the core Computer Science and Engineering. The B.Tech in Computer Science and Engineering and Information Technology programmes are accredited by Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET), UK and ABET, USA respectively.

ABOUT THE STORY FEST

SRM Institute of Science and Technology (SRMIST), Chennai, India, is organizing a Story Fest on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) on November 8, 2024, focusing on SDG 17: Partnerships for the Goals. This event aims to engage students in creative storytelling and narrative-based exploration, empowering them to highlight the vital role of Higher Education Institutes (HEIs) in achieving the SDGs. By emphasizing partnerships, participants will explore inspiring stories and innovative strategies for driving sustainable development, addressing global challenges, and fostering social equity. Open to students from diverse academic backgrounds, the Story Fest will create a platform for exchanging narratives and storytelling ideas that enhance cooperation across sectors. Join us in shaping a sustainable future through impactful stories that inspire partnerships and drive progress towards the 2030 Agenda!

STORY FEST OBJECTIVES

The Story Fest on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), scheduled on November 8, 2024, aims to foster creative storytelling and collaborations focused on SDG 17: Partnerships for the Goals. The objectives of the Story Fest are as follows:

1.Promote Understanding of SDG 17: Participants will engage in storytelling workshops and discussions to deepen their understanding of Sustainable Development Goal 17, focusing on the importance of partnerships in achieving the SDGs and exploring how narratives and storytelling can drive sustainable development.

2. Facilitate Interdisciplinary Dialogue: The Story Fest will encourage collaboration among storytellers, students from various backgrounds, researchers, and industry experts. Participants will work together to share stories that inspire partnerships for sustainable development, fostering understanding through diverse perspectives.

3.Share Inspiring Stories and Best Practices: Participants will have the opportunity to present their stories and creative expressions related to fostering effective partnerships. This platform will showcase successful collaboration stories and lessons learned from previous initiatives, using storytelling as a medium to share impactful narratives.

4.Address Challenges and Barriers: The Story Fest will include discussions focused on identifying the challenges and barriers that hinder effective partnerships. Participants will analyze issues through story-driven conversations, exploring topics such as regulatory frameworks, funding mechanisms, and the efforts needed to strengthen collaborations.

5.Explore Technological Advancements: Participants will explore the role of emerging technologies in enhancing partnerships for sustainability. Discussions will focus on how innovations such as digital media, virtual storytelling platforms, and renewable energy narratives can facilitate collaborative efforts and drive sustainable development.

6.Engage Youth and Students: Emphasizing the importance of youth involvement, the Story Fest will actively encourage young storytellers and aspiring leaders to participate in storytelling sessions and creative processes. This engagement will ensure that fresh perspectives and voices are included in shaping sustainable partnerships through the power of storytelling.

STORY FEST PROBLEM STATEMENTS

1.Collaborative Frameworks:
Howcanstoriesshowcasesuccessfulpartnershipsbetweengovernment, academia, and industry for sustainable development?

2.Mobilizing Financial Resources:
How can storytelling inspire public-private partnerships to secure funding for sustainability projects?

3.Technology for Collaboration:
How can technology-driven stories demonstrate improved communication among stakeholders in sustainability initiatives?

4.Youth Engagement:
How can stories highlight youth involvement in decision-making for sustainable development?

5.Data Sharing:
How can stories emphasize the role of data sharing and transparency in enhancing accountability for sustainability goals?

JUDGES

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The StoryFest event featured 22 teams and 52 student participants with four esteemed industry guests in attendance. A total prize pool of ₹20,000 was awarded, including two first prizes, one second prize, and two third prizes.

THE GRAND PRIZE POOL OF ₹10000