

## A Report on

# "SparkX: Ignite the Future - Innovation & Entrepreneurship Ideathon" for school"

<b>ACTIVITY TYPE</b>	<b>SparkX: Ignite the Future - Innovation &amp; Entrepreneurship Ideathon" for school</b>		
<b>DATE&amp; TIME</b>	<b>28/06/2023 07:30 AM to 04:30 PM</b>	<b>Duration</b>	
<b>SEMESTER</b>	<b>all</b>	<b>No. of participants</b>	<b>69</b>
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The Institution's Innovation Council (IIC)- Entrepreneurship Development Centre (EDC) Parul University with New Era higher secondary school organized **SparkX: Ignite the Future - Innovation & Entrepreneurship Ideathon" for school students on June 28, 2023.**

## **Objective:**

The objective of an ideathon for school students is to foster creativity, critical thinking, problem-solving skills, and teamwork among the participants. It aims to encourage students to generate innovative ideas and solutions to address real-world challenges or improve existing systems in various fields.

1. To motivate students towards entrepreneurship and to foster innovation and creativity that delivers customer-centric solutions.
2. Enhance problem-solving skills: Through the ideation process, students learn to identify problems, analyze them, and develop effective solutions. This helps them develop critical thinking skills and the ability to tackle complex issues.
3. Foster entrepreneurship and leadership: Ideathons can inspire students to explore entrepreneurship and leadership roles. By encouraging them to think like entrepreneurs, they learn to identify opportunities, create value, and take initiative to bring their ideas to life.

## **Outcomes:**

ideathon for school students is to inspire and empower the next generation of innovators, problem solvers, and change-makers, while also fostering important skills and competencies that will benefit them in their future endeavors.

## **Activity Details:**

### **Introduction:**

The Ideathon held at New Era Senior Secondary School on 28th June 2023 was a resounding success. The event brought together students from different schools, creating an atmosphere of innovation and collaboration. The Ideathon was divided into three distinct parts: idea brainstorming, mentoring sessions, and

the final idea presentation. At the end of the day, the jury selected the top three teams based on their presentations.

### **Event Details:**

The Ideathon started promptly at 07:30 AM with an opening address by the principal of New Era Senior Secondary School. The participating students then divided themselves into teams and start working on their idea. In the first part of the Ideathon, students were given time to brainstorm and develop innovative ideas based on a given theme. Each team had the opportunity to explore different possibilities and come up with unique solutions. The students demonstrated their creativity and critical thinking skills by developing ideas that addressed real-world problems.

After the idea brainstorming phase, mentors were assigned to each team to provide guidance and support. The mentors were innovation ambassador from Parul university who have experience in various fields, shared their knowledge and experience with the students. They offered valuable insights and helped refine the ideas, ensuring that the solutions were practical and viable.

At the end of the day, the teams presented their refined ideas in front of a jury. The students showcased their creativity, presentation skills, and technical knowledge. Each team had a designated 5 minutes time slot to present their idea, followed by a question-and-answer session with the jury. After careful deliberation, the jury announced the top three teams based on their presentations and the viability of their ideas. The winners were awarded certificates, trophies, and recognition for their outstanding performances.

The Ideathon at New Era Senior Secondary School provided a platform for students to showcase their creativity and problem-solving abilities. The Ideathon not only fostered collaboration and innovation but also encouraged students to think critically and present their ideas effectively.

### **Benefits in terms of learning/Knowledge obtained:**

**Research and exploration:** To develop innovative ideas, students often need to conduct research and explore various topics related to the ideathon theme. This

process exposes them to new knowledge, concepts, and information that expand their understanding of different subjects.

**Critical thinking and problem-solving:** Ideathon require students to analyze problems, think critically, and come up with effective solutions. This cultivates their ability to approach challenges from different perspectives, evaluate options, and apply problem-solving techniques, which are essential skills in many academic disciplines.

**Creativity and innovation:** Ideathon encourage students to think creatively and push the boundaries of conventional thinking. By brainstorming and generating new ideas, students develop their creative thinking abilities and become more open to innovative approaches to problem-solving.

**Real-world application:** Ideathon often focus on solving real-world problems or improving existing systems. This connects students' learning experiences to practical applications, helping them see the relevance and impact of their knowledge and ideas in the real world.

**Confidence and self-esteem:** Successfully participating in an ideathon, presenting ideas, and receiving feedback or recognition can significantly boost students' confidence and self-esteem. They gain a sense of accomplishment and belief in their abilities to contribute meaningfully to society.

Overall, ideathon provide valuable opportunities for students to acquire and apply knowledge, develop critical skills, and gain practical experience in problem-solving and innovation. These benefits extend beyond the ideathon itself and positively impact students' overall learning and personal growth.

## Glimpses of Activity







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