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Report

On

"Thinkathon"

(*Academic Session: 2025-26*)

Organizing Committee:

The Computer Society and Gaming Club, IAR

Event Coordinator:

Dr. Pankti Bhatt, Ms. Twinkle Patel

Report Prepared by:

Dr. Pankti Bhatt, Ms. Twinkle Patel

Date of the event:

6th May, 2026

Name of Event	Thinkathon		
Event Type (Co-curricular/ Extra Curricular)	Extra-Curricular		
Platform	Offline		
Place of event	A2-205, IAR		
Date(s) of the event	6th May, 2026	**Time**	9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
No. of Participants	42	**Level of Activity**	University Level
Name of the Coordinator	Dr. Pankti Bhatt, Mrs. Twinkle Patel		
Contact details of Organizers	compsocgameclub@iar.ac.in		
Sponsoring authority	IAR	**Sponsorship/ Budget amount:**	Rs 110/-

Objective of the Event:

The objective of **Thinkathon 2026** was to cultivate an innovation-driven mindset among students by encouraging them to identify real-world problems, develop practical solutions, validate their ideas with end users, and refine them based on constructive feedback. The event aimed to introduce participants to the principles of **design thinking, user-centric innovation, problem-solving, teamwork, and entrepreneurial thinking**, while emphasizing the importance of evidence-based decision-making before proposing solutions.

Brief Overview of the Event:

The **Institution's Innovation Council (IIC), Institute of Advanced Research**, under the guidance of **Dr. Pankti Bhatt and Ms. Twinkle Patel, IIC Coordinators**, in collaboration with the **Computer Society & Gaming Club (CSGC)**, successfully organized **Thinkathon 2026**, an innovation-driven competition designed to foster creativity, critical thinking, problem-solving, and entrepreneurial aptitude among students.

The event commenced with an inaugural address by **Ms. Priya Bandhia, Marketing Head of CSGC**, who welcomed the participants and introduced them to the objectives, competition format, evaluation criteria, and expected outcomes of the event.

The competition began with a **case study-based ideation challenge**, where each team was provided with a printed case study prepared by the **Technical Heads of CSGC**. Participants analysed the assigned problem, identified key challenges, and developed innovative and practical solutions.

A distinctive feature of **Thinkathon 2026** was its emphasis on **user validation**. Participants refined their proposed solutions by validating them with potential users, gathering constructive feedback, and incorporating the insights obtained into their ideas. Based on the quality of the validation process and the feasibility of the proposed solutions, shortlisted teams advanced to the final round.

The event concluded with the **Final Pitch Round**, during which the shortlisted teams presented their validated solutions before an expert panel comprising **Dr. Pankti Bhatt, Ms. Twinkle Patel and Mr. Pragnesh Trivedi**. The presentations were followed by an interactive question-and-answer session, enabling participants to demonstrate the practicality, feasibility, and potential impact of their ideas.

Thinkathon 2026 was conceptualized, planned, and successfully executed by the **Computer Society & Gaming Club (CSGC)** under the leadership of **Mr. Digvijay Singh (President), Mr. Dhaval Agrawal (Vice President), and Ms. Hetavi Makwana (Secretary)**, with the dedicated efforts of the **Technical Heads, Non-Technical Heads, Gaming Heads, Marketing Head, and the entire organizing team**. The event successfully provided students with a hands-on platform to apply design thinking, validate ideas through real-world feedback, and develop innovative, user-centric solutions, thereby strengthening their entrepreneurial mindset and problem-solving abilities.

The winners for Thinkathon:

- 1st Winner: Team Campus Thinkers
- 2nd Winner: Team Mind Matrix
- 3rd Winner: Team Dhriti Shah

Outcome of the Event:

- Participants developed a deeper understanding of **design thinking, innovation, and user-centric problem solving**.
- The event strengthened students' abilities in **critical thinking, teamwork, communication, and analytical decision-making**.
- Students learned the significance of validating ideas with real users before proposing final solutions, promoting an evidence-based approach to innovation.
- Participants enhanced their presentation and pitching skills by effectively communicating their validated solutions before the judging panel.
- The event successfully fostered an entrepreneurial mindset by encouraging students to create practical, implementable, and socially relevant solutions.

Feedback from Students:

The overall feedback received from the participants was highly positive. Students appreciated the unique structure of Thinkathon 2026, particularly its emphasis on identifying real-world problems, validating ideas through user interactions, and refining solutions before the final presentation.

Participants found the case study-based approach engaging and intellectually stimulating, as it encouraged analytical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem-solving. The validation stage enabled students to gain practical insights into the importance of understanding user needs and incorporating constructive feedback to enhance the feasibility of their proposed solutions.

The final presentation round further strengthened participants' confidence, presentation skills, and ability to effectively communicate and justify their ideas before the judging panel.

Overall, the event was well received and was regarded as an enriching learning experience that successfully promoted innovation, teamwork, critical thinking, and entrepreneurial aptitude among students.

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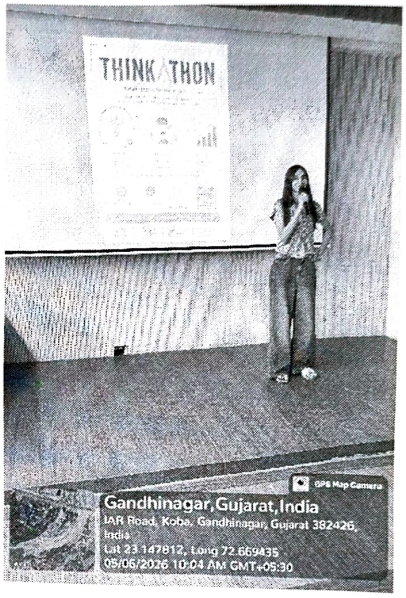
The **Institution's Innovation Council (IIC)**, in collaboration with the **Computer Society & Gaming Club (CSGC)**, successfully organized **Thinkathon 2026** to promote innovation, design thinking, and entrepreneurial aptitude among students. Through case study analysis, user validation, and final presentations, participants gained practical exposure to developing and refining real-world solutions.

Glimpses of the Event – Glimpses of "Thinkathon" held on 6th May, 2026:

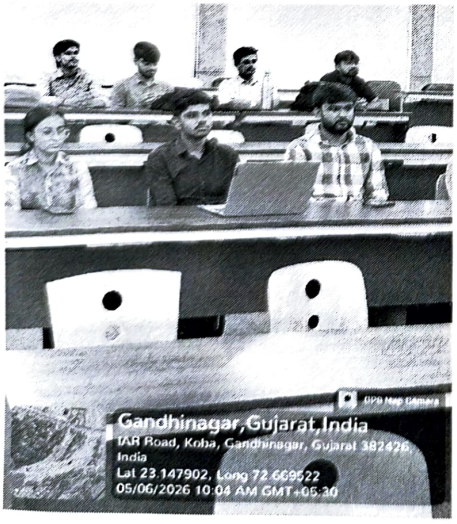
Theme of the event



Front view of resource person speaking



Front view of General Audience



Group photo



Media Coverage:

Link to the Linkedin:

https://www.linkedin.com/in/iargandhinagar/recent-activity/all/

Acknowledgement:

The Organizing Committee expresses its sincere gratitude to everyone whose guidance and support contributed to the successful organization of **Thinkathon 2026**.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to:

- **Dr. Roli Mishra**, Chairman, Institution's Innovation Council (IIC), for his continuous guidance and encouragement.
- **The Director, Dean Academics, Registrar, Dean Research, and Heads of all Departments** for their constant support and encouragement.
- **The Institution's Innovation Council (IIC)** for sponsoring and supporting the event.
- **Mr. Pragnesh Trivedi, Dr. Deepak Kumar, Mrs. Khushboo Sinha** for serving as the esteemed judges and providing valuable insights, constructive feedback, and impartial evaluation throughout the competition.
- **The IT, Administration, and Finance Departments** for providing the necessary institutional support.
- **All student volunteers and participants** whose enthusiasm, dedication, and active participation contributed significantly to the success of the event.

Enclosures:

- Annexure- I (Flyer of the event)
- Annexure- II (Expenditure and Invoices)
- Annexure- III (Attendance sheet)

Report Copied to: (attachment sent through email)

- Office of Director, and Registrar
- Office of Dean Research and Academics
- Heads of all the Department
- SSIP/IIC Coordinator

Signature	Signature	Signature
Dr. Roli Mishra	**Dr. Pankti Bhatt**	**Ms. Twinkle Patel**
Chairman, IIC, IAR	IIC Coordinator, IAR	IIC Coordinator, IAR

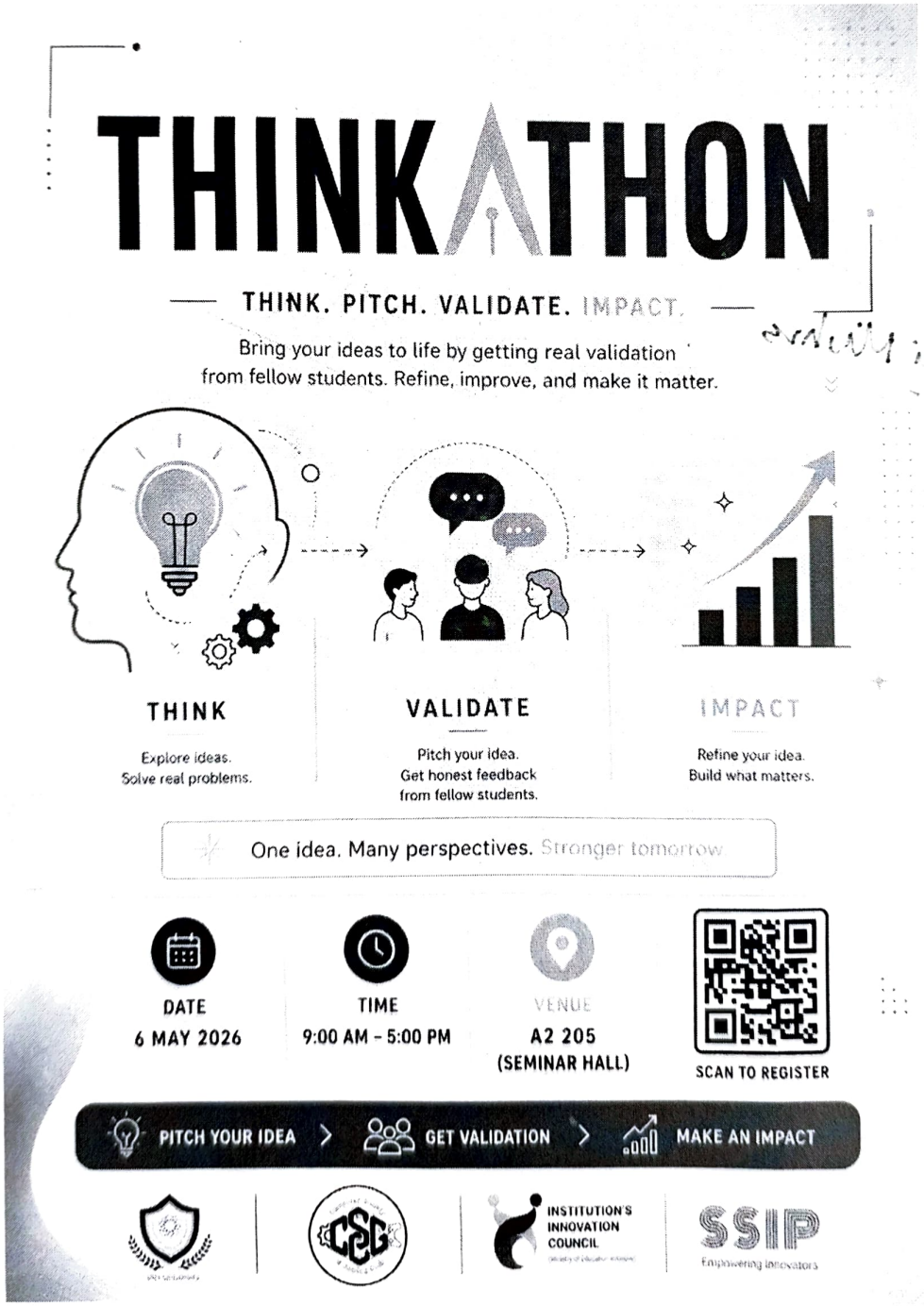
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Annexure- I

Event Flyer

Thinkathon Event: 6th May, 2026

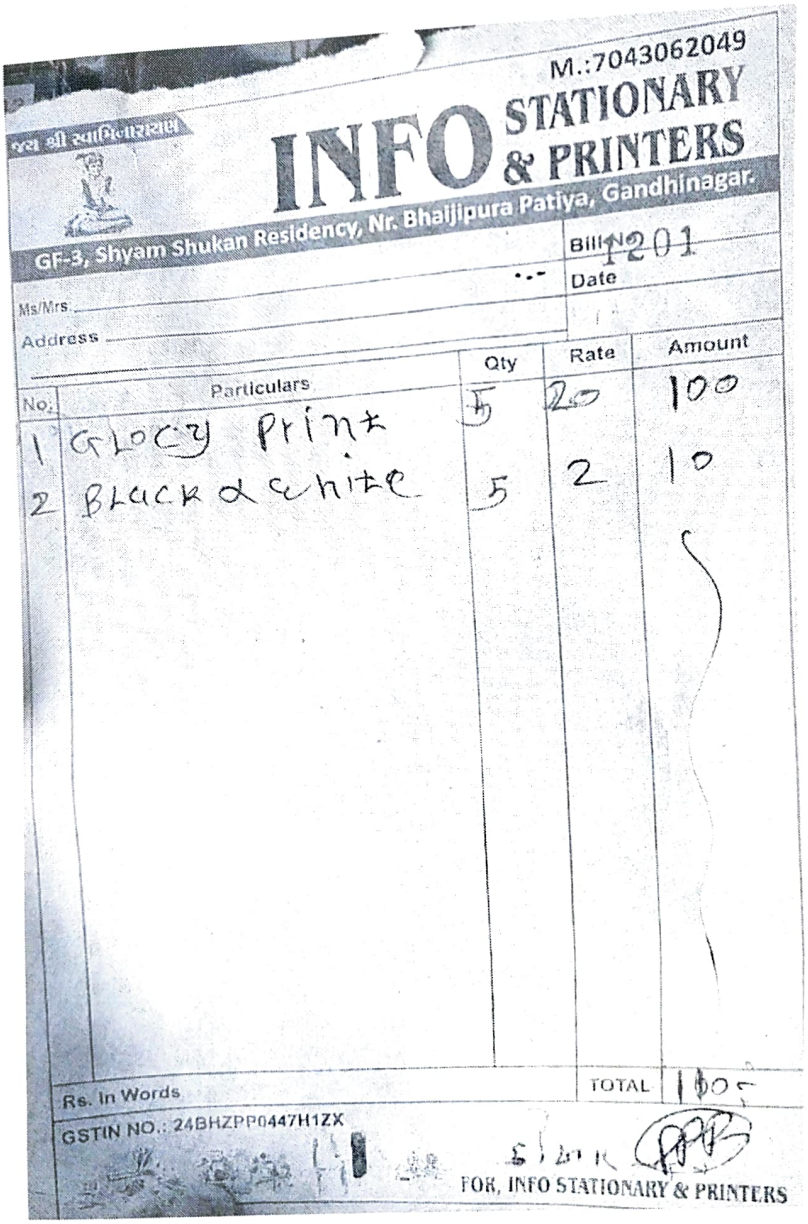


Annexure- II

Invoice

Thinkathon Event: 6th May, 2026

Sr. No.	Particulars	Quantity	Rate	Amount (Rs.)
1.	Glossy Printed Certificates	5	20	100
2.	Black & White Printed Sheets	5	2	10
			TOTAL:	110



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No.	Particulars	Qty	Rate	Amount
1	GLOCY Print	5	20	100
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Annexure- III

Attendance Sheet

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Attendance of Students

Name of Event: Thinkathon
Venue: A2 - 205
Date: 6th May, 2026

Sr. No.	Student Name	IAR Number	Program	Semester	Signature
1.	Dhriti Shah	15912	BSC Hon	4	Dhriti
2.	Meet Mochi	14803	BTech CE	6	Mochi
3	Sumit Dubey	14477	BTech CE	6	Sumit
4	Naitik Miyani	14480	BTech CE	6	N
5	Esha Chokshi	17321	BTech CE	4	Esha
6	Arechi Patel	15524	BTech CE	4	Apatel
7	Bhavya Ejajjar	16960	BCA Hon	4	B
8	Shubh Tripathi	14882	BCA Hons	4	Shubh
9	Alifiya Pisawadi	16899	BTech CE	2	Alifiya
10	Maitri Mori	16803	BTech CE	2	Maitri Mori
11	Moksh Nagar	16752	BTech CE	2	M
12	Dhruv Chaudhary	15167	BTech CE	4	Dhruv
13	Ajeet Meghwal	15386	BTech CE	4	Ajeet
14	Priyank Viradiya	15873	BTech CE	4	Priyank
15	Paresh Nagar	15632	BTech CE	4	Paresh
16	Het Patel	15915	BTech CE	4	Hetpatel
17	Saumya Patel	15568	BTech CE	4	Saumya
18	Pranee Patel	15409	BTech CE	4	Pranee
19	Trith Patel	15614	BTech CE	4	Trithpatel
20	Ridhi Paravaliya	15323	BTech CE	4	Ridhi

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Sr. No.	Student Name	IAR Number	Program	Semester	Signature
21	Trusha Kansara	17722	BTECH CE	2	
22	Anchal Sharma	16872	11	2	
23	Jay Rajpurohit	16891	11	2	
24	Parbish Darji	17469	BTECH IT	2	
25	Vachana Shah	17279	BTECH CE	2	
26	Diya Dave	17221	11	2	
27	Kiya Jasolia	17061	11	2	
28	Mahi Patel	17062	11	2	
29	Aum Manani	17272	11	2	
30	Rajwardhan Singh	16434	11	2	
31	Prateek Pal	17855	BBA	2	
32	Aayasha Patel	17067	BTECH CE	2	
33	Moksha Vasi	17013	BSC AIDS	2	
34	Hetvi Chauhan	16506	11	2	
35	Suraj Bind	163896	BTECH CE	2	
36	Rachita	17310	BSC Biotech	2	
37	Dhwani	17290	FORENSIC	2	
38	Dhairya Ahir	16178	BSC AIDS	2	
39	Neel Thacker	160813	BTECH CE	2	
40	Krish Makadiya	16245	11	2	

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Sr. No.	Student Name	IAR Number	Program	Semester	Signature
41	Siddhima Singh	17856	BA Physio ~~Psycho~~.	2	Siddhi
42	Nikita Sharma	16543	BTECH CE	2	NSharma