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NOTICE

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

Date : 23.11.2026

First Innovation Challenge 2026 – Eastern Region (Under Seva Sankalp Abhiyan)

Theme: "**Innovate Locally. Impact Nationally".**

All students of Sushil Kar College are hereby informed that the Department of Science and Technology and Biotechnology, Government of West Bengal, has launched the First Innovation challenge (SFIC) 2026 under the Seva Sankalp Abhiyan to encourage young innovators to identify real-life problems and develop practical affordable and innovative solutions.

Students are encouraged to participate individually or in teams and propose innovative solutions to problems observed in their college campus, neighbourhood, village, town or local community. No prior experience in research, entrepreneurship or technology is needed.

Students may submit ideas relating to the following areas:

1.Education and Skill Development, Healthcare and Public Health Awareness
2.Waste Management and Sustainability
3.Agriculture and Rural Development
4.Women and Child Development Employment
5.Livelihoods and Local Entrepreneurship Transport
6.Mobility and Civic Services Disaster Management and Community Safety and Sustainable Development
7.Tourism and Cultural Innovation

The above areas are indicative and not restrictive. Proposals addressing other genuine local problems may also be considered. Undergraduate students may apply under the Junior Category. Graduates and other eligible participants may apply under the Open Category.

Registration and Submission:

Interested students should visit the official portal, register under the appropriate category, complete their profiles and submit the online Innovation & Implementation Plan along with supporting materials, wherever available.

Last date for submission: 04.12.2026

Official website: https://sficeast.wb.gov.in/en

Students are advised to consult the attached guidelines and concept note carefully and verify the latest instructions on the official portal before submitting their applications Participants should also review the applicable intellectual property policy before disclosing potentially patentable or commercially sensitive ideas. Selected participants may have opportunities for mentoring, technical guidance.

All interested students are encouraged to take this opportunity to transform their creative ideas into practical innovations that can make a meaningful difference to society.

For further information and assistance, students may contact:

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION & GUIDELINES

Seva First Innovation Challenge 2026 - Eastern Region
Under Seva Sankalp Abhiyan

Innovate Locally. Impact Nationally.

A practical registration guide for participants from West Bengal, Bihar and Jharkhand.

ELIGIBLE STATES	APPLICATION WINDOW	REGIONAL HUB
West Bengal Bihar Jharkhand	**19 Sep 2026 onwards**	**Kolkata**

Purpose of this guide

This document consolidates the registration-related information currently published on the official challenge website. Participants should check the portal before final submission in case dates, instructions or supporting-document requirements are updated.

Official portal: https://sficeast.wb.gov.in

01 Challenge at a Glance

The Seva First Innovation Challenge invites participants to identify real problems in their communities and develop practical solutions with a credible path toward implementation, prototype development, piloting and wider adoption.

- Eastern Region coverage: West Bengal, Bihar and Jharkhand.
- Participation format: individuals and teams.
- Regional hub: Kolkata.
- Challenge period published on the website: 17 September - 30 October 2026.
- Solutions should be grounded in an observed problem and explain implementation, cost, timeline, beneficiaries and expected impact.

02 Eligibility

Who can register through the Eastern Region portal

Geographic eligibility

Only participants from West Bengal, Bihar and Jharkhand are eligible to apply through this portal.

Category	Who can participate	Submission expectation
Junior	School students; ITI students; Polytechnic students; Undergraduate students	Judged mainly on problem understanding, originality and practicality. A working model is encouraged but may not be compulsory.
Open	Graduates; young professionals; researchers; early-stage startups; independent innovators; community groups	A stronger implementation case is expected. Prototype, proof of concept or pilot evidence can strengthen the submission.

03 Registration Process

Complete the online process in sequence

1

Create Registration

Select Junior or Open category and enter your full name, valid 10-digit mobile number and valid email address.

2

Complete Profile

Complete the participant profile with the additional details requested by the portal. Use accurate information because it becomes part of the application record.

3

Submit Proposal

Complete the online Innovation & Implementation Plan and upload supporting material where available.

4

Receive Application Number

After successful submission, the portal generates an application number. Keep it safely for tracking and future communication.

Practical note

Use an email address and mobile number that you can access throughout the challenge. Check all entered details and uploaded files before final submission.

04 Important Dates & Challenge Stages

Stage	Published timing	What happens
Application window	19 Sep 2026 onwards	Registration and online application submission.
Challenge period	19 Sep 2026 onwards	Overall challenge activity period shown on the website.
Proposal submission	19 Sep 2026 onwards	Submit the Innovation & Implementation Plan and supporting material.
Screening & shortlisting	TBD	Eligibility, completeness and technical merit are reviewed.
Regional evaluation	TBD	Shortlisted participants present solution/model/prototype/implementation plan to an expert jury.
Mentoring & prototype support	After shortlisting	Selected innovators may receive guidance and refinement support.
Final evaluation	TBD	Final challenge evaluation and selection for recognition.
Pilot & adoption pathway	After the Challenge	Promising solutions may be connected with institutions, departments, industry or implementation partners.

Date check

The website is actively being updated. Reconfirm the application deadline and event schedule on the official portal before submitting.

05 What You Need to Submit

1

Problem & Location

Clearly state the problem and where you have observed it.

2

Proposed Solution

Explain what you propose to build, change or introduce.

3 **Technology or Method**
Describe how the solution will work and why the method is suitable.

4 **Implementation Plan**
Set out who needs to do what, in what order, and the key dependencies.

5 **Cost & Funding**
Provide a realistic estimate of development and implementation cost.

6 **Beneficiaries**
Identify who will benefit and approximately how many people could be helped.

7 **Timeline**
Estimate the time needed to reach a working prototype or pilot.

8 **Expected Impact**
Explain the social, economic or environmental difference the solution can make.

9 **Scalability**
Explain whether it can work in another district, state or community and what would need to change.

10 **Prototype or Pilot Evidence**
If available, include photographs, documents, results or other evidence of a model, prototype or pilot.

06 Themes & Problem Areas

The listed themes are intended to guide participants, not restrict them. A proposal outside these areas may still be submitted if the problem is clear and the solution is practical.

- Village & Panchayat Innovation
- Agriculture & Allied Sectors
- Education & Skill Development
- Healthcare
- Urban & Civic Innovation
- Environment & Sustainability
- Employment, Livelihood & MSMEs
- Women & Child Development
- Disaster Management & Community Safety
- Transport & Mobility
- Energy
- Tourism & Cultural Innovation

07 Submission & Evaluation Guidelines

- Start with a problem you have actually seen in your school, village, town, district, workplace or community.
- Make the problem, proposed solution, implementation route and expected impact easy for the jury to understand.
- Keep the solution practical. A simple, affordable approach that works can be stronger than unnecessary complexity.
- Junior category: a strong idea with a clear implementation plan can be sufficient; a working model is encouraged but may not be compulsory.
- Open category: present a stronger implementation case. Prototype, proof-of-concept or pilot evidence can add weight.
- Supporting evidence can include photographs, documents, results, models, prototypes or pilot information.
- The jury may consider problem relevance, originality, practicality, technical feasibility, cost, implementation feasibility, expected impact, sustainability, scalability and evidence quality.

What strengthens an application

A grounded problem statement, realistic implementation plan, credible cost and timeline, clear beneficiaries, measurable impact and evidence that the solution can be tested or scaled.

08 Intellectual Property & Submission Responsibility

- Submit only content that you own or have the necessary rights to use.
- Participants are responsible for obtaining patent protection for patentable innovations where appropriate under applicable law.
- The challenge does not claim ownership of participant patents or innovations; submitted innovations may be used for evaluation, recognition and promotional purposes.
- Website terms state that submitted user-generated content is licensed to the challenge for use, reproduction, modification and distribution. Review the published IP Policy before submitting commercially sensitive or patentable material.

For potentially patentable ideas
Consider obtaining appropriate professional IP advice before publicly disclosing technical details that could affect patent strategy.

09 After Submission

- Eligible and complete entries proceed to screening and technical review.
- Shortlisted participants may be invited to regional evaluation before an expert jury.
- Selected innovators may receive mentoring, technical guidance, prototype support or incubation connections.
- Promising solutions may be connected to pilot and adoption opportunities with institutions, government departments, industry or implementation partners.

10 Registration Checklist

- ☐ Confirm that you are applying from West Bengal, Bihar or Jharkhand.
- ☐ Select the correct participant category: Junior or Open.
- ☐ Use your correct full name, active mobile number and accessible email address.
- ☐ Complete all profile fields accurately.
- ☐ Write a clear problem statement based on a real, observed issue.
- ☐ Explain the proposed solution in practical terms.
- ☐ Include implementation steps, cost, beneficiaries, timeline, impact and scalability.
- ☐ Attach prototype/pilot/supporting evidence if available.
- ☐ Check ownership/permission for all submitted content and supporting material.
- ☐ Review the full application before final submission and save the generated application number.

11 Contact & Helpdesk

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Official website
https://sficeast.wb.gov.in
Use the website for registration, current notices, timelines, themes and any updated instructions.