



WIKI-RUN

INTRODUCTION

Wikipedia is a vast ocean of knowledge, where every page is interconnected through hyperlinks. WikiRun is a unique event that challenges participants to navigate this web of connections from a given starting point to a specific ending point as quickly as possible. This exciting and intellectually stimulating competition will test your speed, strategy, and knowledge of Wikipedia's structure. If you think you can outsmart others in this race of hyperlinks, WikiRun at Cognizance 2026 is your chance to shine!



PROBLEM STATEMENT

Navigate through the interconnected web of Wikipedia to reach a designated target page starting from a given source page, using only hyperlinks within Wikipedia. The challenge is to complete the journey in the shortest possible time while adhering to the rules. The starting and ending pages, as well as specific constraints (if any), will be revealed at the time of the event.

EVENT FORMAT

The event is divided into two rounds: Preliminary Rounds and Final Rounds.

PRELIMINARY ROUNDS

- The event will be conducted in **batches of 50 participants**.
- Participants will be given a time limit in which they will have to reach the end point from the start point.
- Everyone who finishes before time ends will move to subsequent rounds.
- After the first round, all the participants who qualified will participate in the next round from which the top 8 will proceed to final rounds.



FINAL ROUNDS

The top 8 participants from the preliminary rounds will compete in this stage.

A knockout-style tournament:

Quarterfinals: Top 8 compete in pairs; winners advance to the next round.

Semifinals: Top 4 compete; winners move to the final round.

Finals: The top 2 compete for the championship title.

RULES AND GUIDELINES

- Participants must use only hyperlinks on Wikipedia pages to navigate between the starting and ending points.
- External links or search functionalities are strictly prohibited.
- No other application or website should be open except Wikipedia.
- Any form of cheating or rule violation will lead to immediate disqualification.
- Participants must complete their navigation within the allotted time for each round.
- **Participants will be required to turn screen recording on for further inspection.**



REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

- The registration shall be done through the Cognizance website.
- Each participant needs to register on the website. This will generate a unique Cognizance Id, after email verification.
- You will need to log into the website with his username and password.
- After logging in to his Cogni ID, you will need to select WIKI-RUN from the dashboard to participate in this particular event.
- The Team Details include the following details of all team members:

Name:

City:

Branch:

E-mail:

Institute Name:

Contact No.:

- Enter your Cognizance ID.



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