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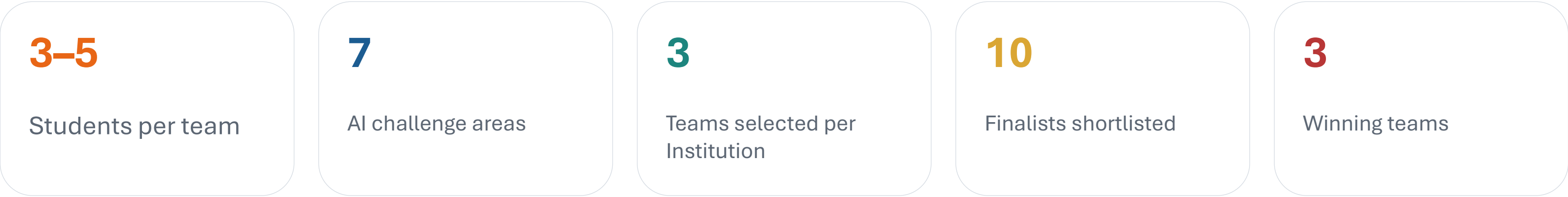
SANKALP SETU

Student AI Hackathon (Institution Level) Under Seva Sankalp Abhiyan

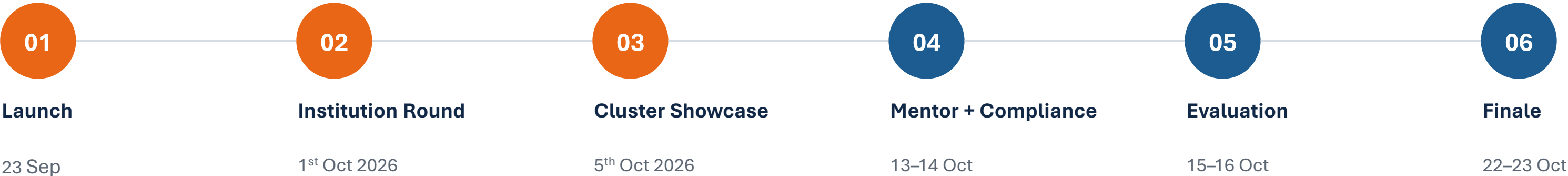
- **Date:** 01st Oct 2026, Thursday
- **Time:** 11.00 am
- **Venue:** Meeting/Conference room, GURU
- **Registration Link:** <https://forms.gle/BStM4ZQaLoJYsLiK8>
- **Registration Deadline:** 30th Sept 2026

Sankalp Setu at a Glance

A structured, multi-stage pathway from student ideas to demonstrated AI solutions.



THE HACKATHON JOURNEY



Core objective: identify public-service challenges suited to AI, enable practical prototypes, and recognise promising solutions.

Purpose, Scope & Operating Principles

The complete operating model—from orientation to recognition.

01 Identify the right problems

Focus on clearly defined public-service challenges within seven government-defined AI themes.

02 Build practical solutions

Move student teams from an idea note to a prototype / demonstration and implementation plan.

03 Recognise promise

Use structured evaluation, moderation and documentation to shortlist and recognise the most promising teams.

SCOPE

Eligibility

Team composition, one-team rule, mentor and team lead

Delivery

Institution round, onboarding, cluster interactions, mentoring

Evaluation

Submission pack, judging criteria, moderation and top-10 selection

Governance

Roles, conduct, privacy, IP, documentation and contingencies

Eligibility & Team Formation

A simple team structure keeps participation broad while maintaining accountability.

THE TEAM

3–5
members

All students of
a participating Institution

Each team names:

- 1 team lead
- 1 faculty mentor

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One student → one team only

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One challenge area + one problem statement per team

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Students may come from different courses and years of the same Institute

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Institute confirms team details by the internal selection date

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Top 3 teams from each Institute proceed to onboarding

Student Teams

Build the solution; present at cluster; meet deadlines; follow code of conduct.

Mentors

Review progress; advise on concept, prototype, demo, and implementation plan.

Seven AI Challenge Areas

Teams select one theme and work on one problem statement within it.

Healthcare & Wellbeing

Affordable healthcare • preventive care • mental wellbeing • elderly care • accessibility • community health

Education, Skills & Future of Work

EdTech • skill development • employability • career discovery • vocational training • lifelong learning

Environment, Climate & Sustainability

Waste management • water conservation • renewable energy • biodiversity • climate resilience

Agriculture, Fisheries & Rural Innovation

Smart agriculture • sustainable fisheries • food security • supply chains • farmer empowerment

Inclusive Society & Social Empowerment

Women • children • senior citizens • persons with disabilities • underserved communities

Tourism, Culture & Heritage

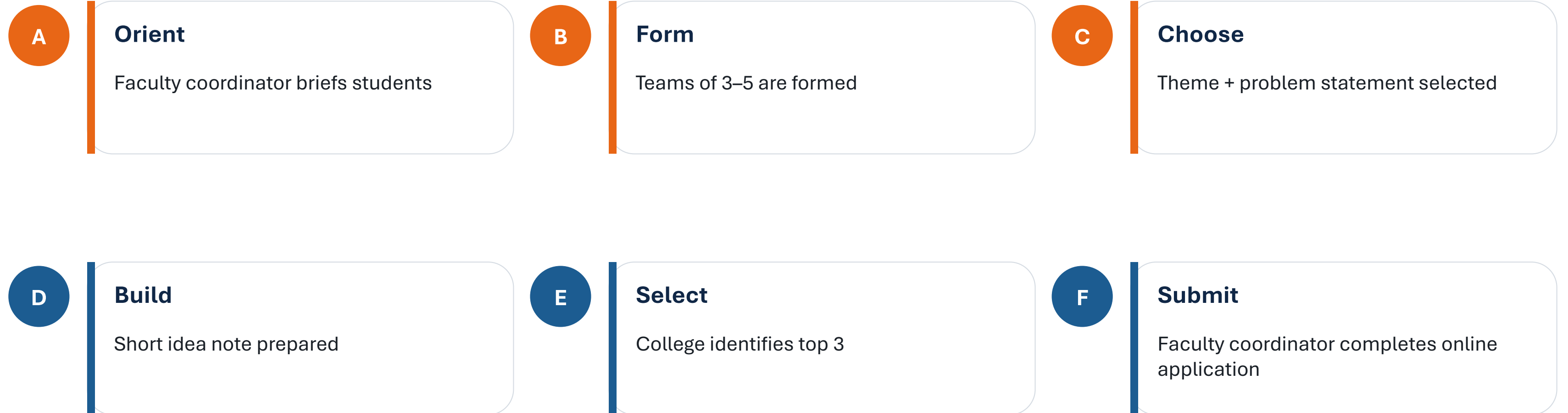
Responsible tourism • cultural preservation • local experiences • heritage • homestays

Safety, Disaster Management & Community Resilience

Emergency response • disaster preparedness • early-warning systems

Stage 1 — College Round & Onboarding

The first filter happens inside each participating college.



ONLINE APPLICATION — REQUIRED DETAILS

Team name • member names • course/year • student ID • team lead • faculty mentor • theme • problem statement • idea summary

Stage 2 — Six Cluster Interactions

A statewide showcase layer where shortlisted college teams demonstrate their ideas.

Tiswadi

5 Oct | Zuari Hall, Lok Bhavan, Dona Paula
20 colleges • Maximum 60 teams

Bardez & Pernem

6 Oct | DMC, Mapusa
11 colleges • Maximum 33 teams

Ponda & Dharbandora

7 Oct | Rajiv Gandhi Kala Mandir, Ponda
12 colleges • Maximum 36 teams

Salcete, Quepem, Canacona & Sanguem

8 Oct | Ravindra Bhavan, Margao
12 colleges • Maximum 36 teams

Bicholim & Sattari

9 Oct | Ravindra Bhavan, Sanquelim
9 colleges • Maximum 27 teams

Mormugao

12 Oct | Ravindra Bhavan, Vasco
7 colleges • Maximum 21 teams

STANDARD CLUSTER FLOW

09:30 registration → 10:00–12:00 programme → parallel 120-minute display → team demonstrations to dignitaries & visitors

Stage 3 — Mentor Review & Submission Compliance

The focus shifts from idea novelty to evidence, demonstration and implementation readiness.

13 OCT — MENTOR REVIEW

Mentors review each team's progress and advise on:

- Concept refinement
- Prototype maturity
- Demonstration quality
- Implementation plan

DITEC + SITPC record evidence-backed progress updates.

14 OCT — SUBMISSION COMPLIANCE

DITEC + SITPC verify the complete presentation and demonstration pack.

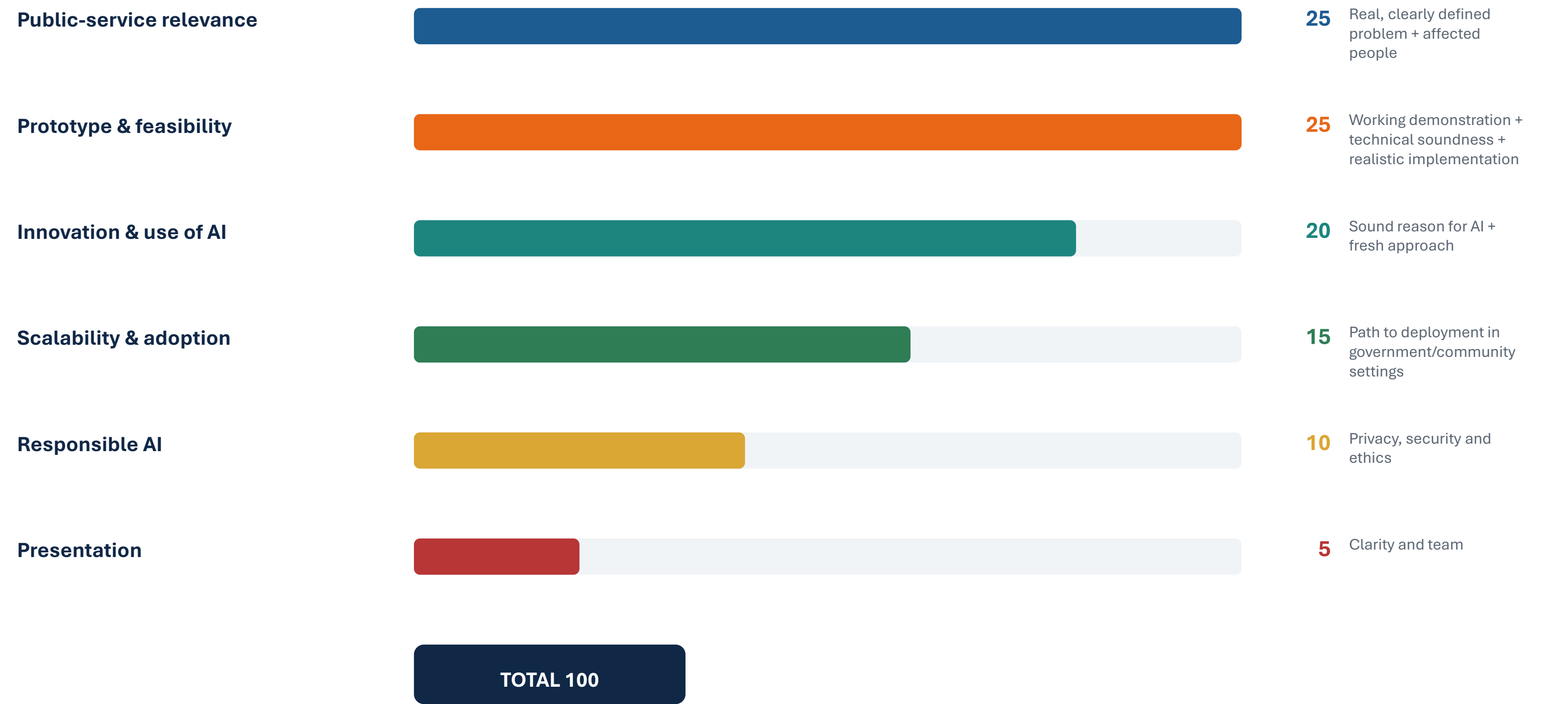
Submission includes:

- Presentation of up to 10 slides
- Working prototype or ≤3-minute demo video
- Tools, datasets, libraries and generative AI tools used (if possible)

The submission must explicitly cover problem, users affected, solution, AI use, demo, impact, feasibility, responsible AI, implementation plan and team.

Evaluation Framework — 100 Points

Judges score against six published criteria; moderation and signed scorecards support consistency.



Responsible Participation & Code of Conduct

The SOP places originality, responsible AI use, privacy and integrity at the centre.

Originality

Team's own work; open-source components permitted only with attribution.

AI tool disclosure

Teams state where generative AI tools were used.

Data & privacy

No real personal data of citizens; use public, synthetic or anonymised data.

Integrity

Plagiarism, false claims or tampering with submissions → disqualification.

Conduct

Respectful behaviour toward organisers, dignitaries, judges and fellow teams.

Intellectual property

IP stays with the team.

Attendance

Presence required at cluster interaction and, if shortlisted, at finale.

Students should demonstrate not only what AI can do, but how the proposed solution can be used responsibly in a real public-service context.

Stage 4 — Finale at Goa AI Conclave 2026

The final stage combines exhibition, live jury presentation, moderation and recognition. The top 10 teams will participate

Participating teams

College-level participation

Top 3 per college

Cluster showcase

Top 10 finalists

Finale selection

Top 3 winners

Felicitation

FINALE OPERATIONS

Rehearsals • exhibition setup • jury moderation • live finalist presentations • stall exhibition • announcements • recognition