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**Bangalore. 04 April 2017.** Defence PSU Bharat Electronics Ltd (BEL) participated in the grand finale of Smart India Hackathon 2017, a first-of-its-kind hackathon promoted by the Ministry of HRD, Government of India and All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) as a sponsor as well as through nomination of Judges.



( Valedictory): BEL CMD along with other dignitaries from DDP, HAL and Sri Venkateshwara college giving away the prize of Rs. 1 lakh and trophy to the 1st prize winning team

The hackathon, a 36-hour non-stop event was a unique computer programming competition to identify new and disruptive digital technology innovations for solving the challenges faced by our country. The event was organised with an aim to harness the creativity and expertise of students from all over India. Solutions to some of the problem statements taken from the Ministry of Defence were attempted by students gathered in the Bangalore centre of Smart India Hackathon 2017, Sri Venkateshwara College of Engineering, Bangalore.

Smart applications developed by students are likely to help address real time problems of the defence industry. The winners were awarded with cash prizes and certificates by BEL's CMD. The winning team members stand a chance to be part of the NASSCOM's 10,000 Startups Programme.