

MAR-a-THON : INDIA’S MARITIME HACKATHON 2025

MAR-a-thon – India’s Maritime Hackathon, organised under the **Sagarmala Startup Innovation Initiative (S2I2)**, is designed to catalyse Research and Innovation in the maritime domain through Startup and Entrepreneurship, was launched on 25th August 2025.

The **National Maritime Complex (NMC)**, under the aegis of the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways (MoPSW), in collaboration with the National Technology Centre for Ports, Waterways & Coasts (NTCPWC), IIT Madras organised “**MAR-a-thon – India’s Maritime Hackathon**” at IIT Madras on 25 August 2025 to promote the participation of Startup in solving real-world challenges in the Maritime Sector.

IIT Kharagpur will host one of the four **Maritime Innovation Hubs (MIH)** under **S2I2** apart from IIT Madras, IIT Bombay, and Indian Maritime University to help nurture and scale-up maritime innovations. By handholding startups at every stage of their journey—from ideation and prototype development to testing, validation, and deployment—MIH will ensure that innovations are not only technologically robust but also commercially viable.

MAR-a-thon Official Website: <https://ntcpwcit.in/hackathon/>

Timeline for MARaTHON

25 Aug 2025	Workshop on the “MARaTHON : INDIA’S MARITIME HACKATHON”
25 August 2025 to 29 Sept 2025	Application window for Startups
16 Oct 2025 to 18 Oct 2025	MARaTHON : INDIA’S MARITIME HACKATHON
During Maritime India Week 2025 (Exact Date yet to be announced)	Award Ceremony and Signing of Agreement for Selected Start-ups

- Selected startups identified as winners will receive milestone wise **funding support** based on the maturity of their solutions:

Proof Of Concept	Upto Rs. 10 Lakhs
Seed Funding Grant (Developing Minimum Viable Product)	Upto Rs. 60 Lakhs
Tech Pilot Grant (Scale Up Commercialised Solution)	Upto Rs. 1 Crore