Report from the Contest Director, Asia Region Kharagpur Site – 2016

I am very proud to inform that the 4th ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest (Asia Region Kharagpur Site) was conducted successfully at the Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur (India). As it was being organized for the fourth time at Kharagpur, there was lot of excitement among all the members of the organizing team. We are really proud to be associated with this international contest. The contest was very successful and it was made possible due to the whole hearted support and excellent team work of all the members from IIT Kharagpur.

The online preliminary round (Asia Kharagpur Online Invitational Programming Contest) was held on Oct. 22, 2016. A total of 430 teams from all over India participated at the online round. 76 best teams selected from the online round participated at the onsite regional contest which was held at IIT Kharagpur during December 16-17, 2016. The contest was inaugurated in the evening of Dec. 16. Prof. S. K. Barai, Dean UG, IIT Kharagpur, welcomed the contestants. Prof. P. K. Biswas, the Regional Contest Director Kharagpur site talked about ACM ICPC at IIT Kharagpur. The inauguration program was attended by representatives from the Event Sponsor IBM, and the Indian Sponsor Directi.

A practice session was organized on 16th December at 3-00 PM to enable the contestants to become familiar with the contest environment. It continued till 4-00 PM. The contest started at 9-00 AM on December 17. It was of 5 hours duration and there were 11 problems.

The result was declared at 3-30 PM on December 17. Prizes and medals were awarded to the winner and runners up by Prof. M. Bhattacharya, IIT Kharagpur. We are glad to announce that Dhirubhai Ambani Institute of Information and Communication Technology, Gandhinagar, India (team: FruitSalad) is the winner. They could solve 8 problems. Team “code_phoenix” from National Institute of Technology, Karnataka (solved 4 problems), and “included” National Institute of Technology, Warangal (solved 4 problems) were the first and second runners up respectively. There are 1 team who could solve 8 problems, 10 teams could solve 4 problems, 9 teams could solve 3 problems, 16 teams could solve 2 problems and 40 teams could solve1 problem.

The contest created a lot of excitement and enthusiasm among the contestants and the organizing team members. It could not be possible to organize this contest without whole hearted support from everyone. My grateful thanks are due to all the contestants, coaches, IBM, Directi, ACM contest organizers and IIT Kharagpur administration, my team members and volunteers whose endless support have made this event successful.

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