



**Subject: Invitation to “The 2024 ICPC Asia Topi Regional Contest” at GIK Institute, Topi**

Dear Sir/ Madam,

It gives me immense pleasure to announce that **The 2024 ICPC Asia Topi Regional On-Site Contest** (<https://icpc.global/regionals/finder/Asia-Topi-2025>) will be held on **1-2 February 2025** at **GIK Institute of Engineering Sciences and Technology, Topi** ([www.giki.edu.pk](http://www.giki.edu.pk)). The International Collegiate Programming Contest (ICPC) is a team-based, programming competition that fosters problem-solving, programming, and teamwork skills amongst university students around the globe. ICPC is the number one programming competition in the world and is considered the ‘**World Cup of Computing**’. It involves a network of dozens of universities hosting Regional competitions. Participation in Regionals has grown to thousands of the finest students in computing disciplines at over 3,406 universities from 111 countries across six continents. The winning team of this regional qualifies for the ICPC World Finals, having an opportunity to compete with the brightest minds in the world.

A Preliminary **ICPC Asia Topi Online Programming Contest** will be held on **16-17 November 2024** (<https://icpc.global/regionals/finder/Asia-Lahore-2025>) for practice, around 300 teams are welcome to join this contest from all over Pakistan. The participation fee for the online preliminary contest is 4,500 PKR per team. The top 60 teams will be later invited for an On-site Regional contest. The participation fee structure for the ICPC Asia Topi Regional contest is 50,000 PKR per team. The team comprises of three members. Two-night stay at GIKI will be facilitated for all the team members at the event. The winning team of ‘The 2024 Regionals’ automatically qualifies for the **49<sup>th</sup> ICPC World Final**. We are delighted to share that FAST-NUCES Karachi and Lahore represented Pakistan in the 44<sup>th</sup> and 45<sup>th</sup> ICPC World Finals in Russia (2021) and Bangladesh (2022), respectively. GIK Institute represented Pakistan in the 46<sup>th</sup> and 47<sup>th</sup> ICPC World Finals in Egypt (April 2024), and the winning team of the 2023 ICPC Asia Topi Regionals from GIKI competed in the 48<sup>th</sup> ICPC World Finals in Astana, Kazakhstan (September 2024).

I look forward to welcoming teams from your university at **the Preliminary ICPC Asia Topi Online Programming Contest and the Onsite ICPC Asia Topi Regional** being held in **GIKI Topi, Swabi**.. Your student participation and encouragement are highly appreciated. Please join our Facebook page for news alerts for the online contest: (<https://www.facebook.com/icpcpakistan>).

Please deposit the fee at the account titled “**G.I.K Institute**” and account number **PK 70 HABB 0019 7900 0008 5901** of **Habib Bank Ltd, GIK Institute Branch (Topi), Pakistan** along with online registration at the ICPC Global website. Registrations for the **Preliminary Asia Topi Online Programming Contest** are open and supposed to be done as an initial step. For details on registration guidelines please visit the official web page (<https://giki.edu.pk/ICPC>). For any queries and additional information do not hesitate to contact us at: [hussain@giki.edu.pk](mailto:hussain@giki.edu.pk) and [icpcpakistan@gmail.com](mailto:icpcpakistan@gmail.com).

Thank you for considering our invitation and we look forward to your university’s enthusiastic participation in this prestigious competition.

Sincerely,

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