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Eventó – Local Events Android Application

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Abstract: Eventó is a student focused application for Android that helps you discover local college events. Find college events to attend near you, quickly access your event information from your Android device, and start your next event countdown today! Discover popular local events; get event recommendations just for you from your Android device. Find something new to do -- workshops, seminars, webinars, technical and cultural events, sports events and more -- right in the palm of your hand.

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1. INTRODUCTION

College life is one of the most exciting and important phases in anyone's life. During this period, a student comes across several experiences, and learns new things. A college festival is not just for fun, it adds value to a student's learning experience. In fact you have to say that importance of Cultural and Technical Events in college equals the importance of studies. Reputed engineering colleges in India keep on organizing college festivals every now and then. These college fests promote innovative ideas and allow students to share their knowledge and ideas with other students. Attending these festivals give information on the different fields of study.

Have you ever realized the importance of these festivals? Students usually are unaware of such events happening nearby. This is where Eventó comes in. The android application is developed specifically for college students, helping them discover local college events in their area of interest which in turn helps them enhance their technical as well as social skills.

Events like Workshops, Seminars, Exhibitions, Technical Events, Competitive Programs, Cultural Events, Fest and Sports Events etc. Student will be able to get event information like registration process, entry fee, date and time of event, along with the location of the event. All the events will be grouped into categories to assist student find events of their interest instantly.

2. LITERATURE SURVEY

2.1. Existing Applications

These are some of the examples of pre-existing Android applications that has similar functionalities as Eventó:

- BookMyShow
- EvenBrite
- Nearify

These applications allows the user to discover and book tickets for movies, plays, concerts, sports and many other events happening in their city. These apps only showcase the sponsored and large scale events happening around the city. But, these apps do not allow the users to discover low-scale College and other low-budget events.

2.2. Importance of Co-curricular Activities

According to a survey held by the Purdue University at the Purdue University, which asked the participation of students in different activities, the results clearly reflected the tenor of the participation in co-curricular activities. There was a tremendous amount of impact on the Leadership qualities, Internships, Research, Team-based Learning and other areas as shown in figure.

The figure shown below describes the survey report of student participation and its impact on their academic success.



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2.3. Survey report using Google Forms

Here, at Priyadarshini Institute of Engineering and Technology we conducted a survey using Google Forms. In this form, we asked the college students about their participation in several college events. With the help of this survey we came to very interesting results showing very less participation of students in many of these events. The results can be shown in the figures below.



The figure 2 shows that maximum 10-15 events are organised annually at college.



Out of those events, how many did you participated in ? (answer in digit/number)

Figure 3 - Participation Survey for Annually Organised Events

Fig. 3 - Participation Survey for Annually Organised Events

The above figure 3 shows the participation ratio is quite low i.e. student's participation is in 3-4 events and the no. of individual events organised are approximately 10-15.

In this graph (shown in figure 4) maximum ratio is 44.4% which shows that 0-5 Departmental events are organised annually at our college. But the participation of students is less in annually organized departmental events also.





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Out of those events, how many did you participated in ? (answer in digit/number)





Fig. 5 – Participation Survey for Departmental Events

The graph (shown in figure 5) shows that out of 0-5 annually organised events, maximum participation in these events by the students are only 3. Here we also say that participation is much less than the number of events are organising.

How many Events from outside of your college have you participated in



Figure 6 - Participation Anually Outside the College Events.

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The graph (shown in figure 6) shows maximum students chooses that they attends only 2 events outside the college. Here we can say that many events are unsuccessful because of lack participation by the students. Reason behind that every event needs publicity either inside the colleges or outside the colleges but these events are not loud to attract every student.

3. CONCLUSION

Many colleges and other organizers squander their efforts in the publicity of their events. Eventó is designed to reduce these human efforts. There is so much happening in your locality and it is hard to keep track of the stuff that matters to you. There are many events which come and go by in which you'd have liked to participate. Eventó is one such place which will tell you about all the important things happening in your area. Eventó will allow the user to get event information like registration process, entry fee, date and time of event, along with the location of the event.

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