

# An app to let college students speak their minds without fear

*Developed by IITGN students, it will soon be launched in other varsity campuses*

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Often, the fear of being judged on social networking platforms restrains users from expressing or speaking their minds freely. Also, slips of the pen made on social networking sites during college days sometimes return to haunt people, years later. The ill effects can range from social embarrassment to career hurt.

Keeping this in mind, a group of students from Indian Institute of technology, Gandhinagar, has

developed a mobile application that will allow users to interact just by their user names and without revealing their identities. The app called 'Flutter' is already on use on Indian Institute of technology, Gandhinagar, campus and will soon be launched in Nirma University, PDPU and VGEC campuses.

Dedicated to colleges and institutes, the app allows instant interaction within communities and lets users discover what is happening around them.

Developed by Rajesh Patidar, Pankaj Gautam, Shivam Mani Tripathi and Ujash Dave, the app already has about 350 registered users, including security guards.

The students, who developed the app, have opted out of their



The IIT GN students who developed the app

placements and have gone the entrepreneurial route. Gautam, one of the developers, said, "We did a

short survey that revealed that only ten percent people are active on social media and the rest are



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Free app

No need to sign up

Anonymous

Controls vulgar posts

Gives a list of campuses around

not active, merely because they fear being judged due to their revealed identity. Hence, we thought of creating a platform that allows instant posts and interactions, but by maintaining anonymity. Out of our initial 350 registered users, about 200 are always active. Flutter is not restricted to only students."

Interestingly, a few days back, a security guard at Indian Institute of technology, Gandhinagar, found a lost bag, information of which was posted on Flutter. It helped the owner of the bag to recover it immediately.

Speaking on checking vulgar posts, Gautam said, "We have an in-built mechanism that has a downward arrow for every post. So, if there is a post which is not liked by many, and gets marked as inappropriate thrice, the same will be removed. We are not trying to be a censor board, but we have given the community some power to control posts and feeds." He added, "Two of us will soon be shifting to Delhi to launch this app in colleges and institutes in Delhi."