Screening of Startups

Proposals from individuals/startups are to be obtained through Hackathons/Challenge Grants/Startup Events/Online platform/Year round screening programs at TIDE Centres with the assistance of MSH. Shortlisted ideas of individuals/startups will be suitably assigned to 51 TIDE Centres.

The proposals to be supported should be preferably from the pre-identified thematic areas of societal relevance in the realms of health care; education; agriculture; financial inclusion including digital payments; infrastructure and transportation; environment and clean tech; clean energy solutions and other emerging tech areas.

MeitY Startup Hub (MSH)

MeitY Startup Hub (MSH) would be set up under TIDE 2.0 to ensure synergistic linkages among the TIDE centres, theme based incubation centres, Centre of Excellences on emerging technologies and other collaborative platforms. The MSH will also ensure crisscrossing of technology resources across the innovation ecosystem to come out with technology solutions to various societal challenges.

Major Activities Planned under MSH

- Create vital inter-linkages/exchanges of information among all the relevant stakeholders on-board and in sync with relevant line Ministries/Departments
- Build a collaborative portal/repository
- Facilitation of developed technology solutions for market outreach through GeM
- Facilitating industry connect and Fundraising through VCs/Angeles

Centre of Excellence for IPR (CoE-IP)

Centre-of-Excellence in IPR (CoE-IP) will provide all IPR related assistance to startups emerging out of TIDE 2.0 scheme including IPR Protection, Legal Compliance Services etc. Envisaged services to be provided by CoE-IP include:

- Sensitization about intellectual property protection
- Conducting prior art searches and patent facilitation and reviews
- Facilitating know-how on licensing agreements
- Handling IPR queries through portal

Application Process

Applications process for incubators/startups are to be filled online. For eligibility, application process, event dates and further details please visit http://www.tide.meity.gov.in/

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**Objective**

To promote tech entrepreneurship through financial and technical support to incubators engaged in supporting ICT startups using emerging technologies such as IoT, AI, Blockchain, Robotics etc. in pre-identified areas of societal relevance.

The Scheme will be implemented through empowering 51 incubators across India and handholding close to 2000 tech start-ups over a period of 5 years. The scheme envisions creating a holistic ecosystem to support technology startups and incubation centers through identifying and creating necessary linkages.

**The scheme is for a period of 5 Years**

**Scheme Highlights**

- The scheme will be of benefit to startups working particularly in the realm of following thematic areas of national priorities:
  1. Healthcare
  2. Education
  3. Agriculture
  4. Financial inclusion including digital payments
  5. Infrastructure and transportation
  6. Environment and clean tech
  7. Clean energy solutions
  8. Other emerging areas (flexibility to support tech startups to address societal challenges in ICTE areas)

- **The TIDE 2.0 scheme envisages provisioning support to tech startups during the entire journey from idea-to-market—**
  1. Entrepreneur-in-Residence (EiR)
  2. Grants
  3. Investments

- For leveraging diversity, inclusion and participation, TIDE 2.0 is to be implemented in a layered approach with Group-wise classification of 51 TIDE Centres at institutes of higher learning and R&D institutions pan India
- Meity Startup Hub (MSH) will manage the network of incubation centres and other collaborating platforms so as to facilitate crisscrossing of technology across various stakeholders
- Provide IPR Protection/ Legal Compliance Services through Centre of Excellence in Intellectual Property Rights (CoE-IP)
- Incubator Support Services to be provided to startups
- Year Round Engagement Programs- Low & Deep Engagement Programs, Challenge Grants, Hackathons, IPR Sensitization and an Annual Global Startup Event
- Holistic Mentorship Programs - typically composed of startup executives, venture capitalists, industry experts, academia and other investors
- Robust Corporate-Start-up Business Connect Platform for startups
- Linkages to VC /Angel fund for Emerging Startups
- Financial assistance upto Rs 102.8 crores to Startups
- Augmenting capacity building programmes for TIDE incubators assistance upto Rs 24.2 crores
- Support to TIDE Centres upto Rs 27.2 Crore

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**TIDE 2.0 Incubation Center**

**Selection**

TIDE 2.0 Incubation Centers will be categorized into 3 distinct groups namely Group 1 Centre (G1C), Group 2 Centre (G2C) and Group 3 Centre (G3C). The objective of the Incubation Centres will be to facilitate aspiring entrepreneurs and students to build high quality startups/companies.

For selection as TIDE 2.0 Incubation Centers, proposals will be invited from organizations of higher learning and R&D organizations across India- having incubation facilities and established links with large companies, industry bodies and industry clusters so as to provide necessary mentorship, incubation assistance and possible infusion of innovative businesses into the larger business operations.

**Criteria to qualify as a G1C/G2C or G3C:**

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