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National Innovation and startup Policy (NISP)

The 'National Student and Faculty Startup Policy-2019' is initiated by MHRD's Innovation Cell and AICTE. It is a guiding framework to envision an educational system oriented towards start-ups and entrepreneurship opportunities for student and faculties.

The Guidelines provide ways for developing entrepreneurial agenda, managing Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Ownership, Technology Licensing and Equity sharing in Start-ups or Enterprises established by faculty and student and encourage them to actively pursue path of Innovation and Entrepreneurship.

Vision:

Our vision is to develop high quality technical human resource capable of doing cutting edge research and innovation and deep-tech entrepreneurship.

Mission:

- To establish vibrant and dynamic startup Ecosystem across all the Departments.
- To enable the Institute to actively engage students, faculties and staff in Innovation and Entrepreneurship related activities.
- To create a space for Collaboration, Co-creation, Business Relationships and Knowledge Exchange.
- To facilitate the Institute in terms of Intellectual Property (IP) Ownership, Management, Technology Licensing and Equity Sharing.

Objectives:

- Innovation Development
- Entrepreneurship Exposure and Skills Development
- Support Facilities for Start-up Services
- Inter-Institutional Partnership
- Network with Regional and National Startup Ecosystem
- Industry support, Corporate and Private Partnership Linkage
- Technology Commercialization

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Short-term Goals

- Developing critical thinking skills to motivate students and faculties with entrepreneurial abilities
- Building innovation and incubation eco-system, by providing resources available at the institute
- In-house competency development to serve potentiality to the incubators
- Strengthen the intra and inter institutional linkage with eco system enablers at different levels
- Defining Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for Entrepreneurial performance impact assessment.

Long Term Goals:

- · Innovation, pre incubation, incubation and start up facility on the campus
- · Academic courses offered by the institute on innovation, IPR & Startups
- Obtaining Scientific and Technical Patents by Incubators and Start-ups
- Collaboration, Co-creation and Technology Exchange and Commercialization
- Emerging successful Innovation and Startups from the institute
- Increase technical employment rate through self- employment by Startups
- Developing Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for entrepreneurial performance impact
- Creating societal, ethical and technological entrepreneurs through National Innovation and Start-up Policy.

Deliverables:

- Inculcating awareness on Innovation and Start-ups among students and faculties
- Imparting education on Innovation and Entrepreneurship development
- Providing State-of-art facilities
- Enterprise Support from Corporate Social Responsibility(CSR)
- · Arena with skilled professionals to make Industry ready.
- Constituting Advisory Services Committee to address grievances
- Promoting active Research & Advocacy
- Inter-Department linkages and Inter-Institutional Linkages

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Promotion:

- Organize Workshops/ Lectures/Seminars/eTalk/Boot Camp etc.
- Conduct Online and Class room Education and Training & Mentoring
- Integration of Experiential Learning
- Establishment of Start-up Cell
- · Scout, Recognize Support Ideas, Innovation and Startups
- · Innovation and Start-up Repository Build-up
- Setup Advisory Service Expert Pool
- · Training-FDPs and EDPs
- · Incentives for experts from Industry
- · Research Studies and Advocacy Programs
- · Mentor, Start-up Cell Network, Business & Referral Service
- · Convergence and Leverage for Govt. Schemes and Programs
- · Organize National and Regional Level Events

Thrust Areas of NISP 2019:

- A. Strategies and Governance for Promoting Innovation & Entrepreneurship
- · Creating Innovation Pipeline and Pathways for Entrepreneurs
- · Building Organizational Capacity, Human Resources and Incentives.
- Collaboration Co-creation and Business Relationship and Knowledge Exchange.
- B. Norms for Faculty and Students Driven Innovations and Startups
 - · Incentivizing Students for Innovation and Entrepreneurship
 - Incentivizing Faculties & Staff for Innovation and Entrepreneurship
 - Norms for Faculty Startup
- C. Incubation & Pre-Incubation Support Facility Creation and Access
- D. IP Ownership Rights for Technologies Developed at Higher Educational Institutions.
- E. Pedagogy and Learning Interventions for Entrepreneurship Development
- F. Entrepreneurial Performance Impact Assessment

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Processes and Mechanisms:

i) Incubation support

- > Setting up a start-up and allowing students, faculty and research staff to work part-time for the start-ups while studying / working.
- ➤ Creating facilities within the institution for supporting pre incubation (e.g. IICs as per the guidelines by MHRD's Innovation Cell, EDC, IEDC, New-Gen IEDC, Innovation Cell, Startup Cell, Student Clubs, etc.) and Incubation/ acceleration by mobilizing resources from internal and external sources.
- > Provide business incubation facilities:
 - · Premises at subsidized cost.
 - Laboratories
 - Facilities
 - IT services
 - · Training and Mentoring Services, etc.
 - Licensing of IPR from Institute to Start up

ii) Student support

- ➤ Induction program about the importance of I&E to be conducted the first year students. So that freshly inducted students are made aware about the entrepreneurial agenda of the institute and available support systems
- > Supporting the students in terms of providing address for their Incubation cell, Semester break, attendance and accommodation.
- > Student clubs/ bodies/ departments must be created for organizing competitions, boot camps, workshops, awards, etc.
- ➤ Innovation & Entrepreneurship Award to recognize outstanding ideas, successful enterprises and contributors:
- > Innovation champions would be nominated within the students/ faculty/ staff for each department/ stream of study

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iii) Faculty Support

- > Institute would recruit staff that have a strong innovation and entrepreneurial/ industrial experience, behavior and attitude. This will help in fostering Innovation and Entrepreneurship culture.
- > Faculty and departments of the institutes have to work in coherence and cross-departmental linkages
- > Faculty and staff should be encouraged to do courses on innovation, entrepreneurship management and venture development.
- > Guest Lectures by Subject Matter Experts (SME)

iv) Course design in BBA/MBA

- > For creating awareness among the students, the teaching methods should include case studies on business failure and real-life experience reports by start-ups.
- Pedagogical changes need to be done to ensure that maximum number of student projects and innovations are based around real life challenges
- > Short-term/ six-month/ one-year part-time entrepreneurship training.
- Designing courses in a variety of areas including technology development, ideation, creativity, design thinking, fund raising, financial management, cash-flow management, new venture planning, business development, product development, social entrepreneurship, product costing, marketing, brand development, human resource management as well as law and regulations impacting a business

v) Networking or Collaborating Support:

- > Institute may also link the startups to other seed-fund providers'/ angel funds/ venture funds or itself may set up seed-fund once the incubation activities mature.
- Providing support to students who show potential, in pre-startup phase to link their start-ups and companies with wider entrepreneurial ecosystem.
- > Networking events to be organized to create a platform for the budding entrepreneurs to meet investors and pitch their ideas.
- > Establishing a Start-up and Entrepreneur ecosystem with Collaboration, Co-creation, Business Relationships and Knowledge Exchange.

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NISP Implementation Committee:

A committee has been formed by identifying the experts having expertise and experience in the domain of Innovation, IPR and Startup to start the work of policy formation and implementation of guidelines at the Institute.

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