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The Principals, Directors, HODs, Startup enthusiasts and Faculty members

GTU has established India's 1st of its kind University based Innovation Council and Student Start-up Support system since 2010. Over 50,000 students benefit from various programs under this directly and over 2 lac more indirectly through various programs every year. Under GTU Innovation Council over 300 Innovation Clubs & 25 Innovation Clusters comprising colleges and industry clusters have been established across colleges in Gujarat and nearly 100 student start-ups have emerged from the support system with over 300 patent filing by now. Taking clue of the student innovation & start-up efforts of GTU, at national level AICTE developed national student start-up policy which was unveiled by Hon. President of India at Rashtrapati Bhavan. This year under the leadership of Hon. CM, Gujarat Shri Vijaybhai Rupani, a state level policy to support student innovation & start-ups has been initiated which will scale up the efforts and impact across the state.

Every year more than 15,000 students/innovators from each of the zones of GTU (South, Central, and Western Gujarat) come and benefit from innovation, patent filing, product design support, start-up support, mentoring and allied handholding at GTU Innovation Council. To ensure that every creative student irrespective of his education, location get access to support to take their ideas and innovation to next stage. GTU has established very structured mechanism by now for the above and wish to set up regional innovation & start-up centres in all region of Gujarat so that it becomes hub for regional innovation & start-up ecosystem. To start with GTU proposes to set up these centres at Surat, Rajkot, Baroda & Ahmedabad. Through each regional centre students, innovators, start-ups of around 100 colleges in that region will benefit.

To avail the benefits, GTU invites applications from Startup enthusiasts who have innovative ideas/proposal and who wish to seek seed fund from Scheme of Financial Assistance of Govt. of Gujarat. The financial assistance will be provided through the GTU Nodal Institute (NI).

About Nodal Institute:

GTU is a recognized as Nodal Institute vid Letter No. IC/Salt-Tex/Startup/147/1115444, Date 01/10/2015. Nodal Institute organizes viva-voce which is been conducted every month to enable Startups and to provide Financial Assistance under Startup Policy. Till date, out of 36 startups, 16 startups have been funded with pprox.. rupees 1.14 Cr.

To know more click on the link mentioned here:

- <http://www.gtu.ac.in/uploads/GTU%20NI%20Brochure.pdf>
- <http://gtu.ac.in/uploads/Report%20of%20Screening%20of%20Startups%206%20May%201710052017.pdf>

Key Highlights of GTU Incubated Start-ups:

- GTU Incubated Start-ups felicitated by Hon. Chief Minister Shri. Vijay Bhai Rupani
<http://www.gujaratglobal.com/vijay-rupani-felicitate-innovative-gtu-students/>
- GTU Incubated Start-ups felicitated by Hon. Education Minister, Shri Bhupendrasinh Chudasama and Principal Secretary of Education Ms. Anju Sharma (IAS)
<http://gtu.ac.in/uploads/swarnim%20sankul15062017.pdf>
- CPM Industries, GTU Incubated startup got awarded in India International Science Festival, 2017 and got shortlisted in GIF, 2017 at South Korea.
<http://epaper.divyabhaskar.co.in/detail/-726774/102423584523/0/map/tabs-1/2017-10-25/44/1/image/>
- GTU awarded as best Institution for supporting start-ups
<http://epaper.divyabhaskar.co.in/detail/-725100/10181593960/0/map/tabs-1/2017-10-18/44/1/image/>

GTU Innovation Council invites applications of Startup enthusiasts/entrepreneurs/Innovators from any corner of the state to evolve their innovative ideas into Proof of concepts (PoC) to Minimum Viable Products (MVP) and further develop their product/service/process (convert their dreams to reality).

Note: Shortlisted Start-ups applications will get a chance to pitch their idea to avail financial support from Nodal Institute, which will help them to finalize the Prototype of the product/service.

To register click on: <https://goo.gl/forms/Qk7C8dOHPtlpOShg2>

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