



SSIP GOVERNMENT POLYTECHNIC FACULTIES VISIT



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ABOUT PDEU IIC:

PDEU Innovation and Incubation Centre (PDEU IIC), formerly known as PDEU Innovation and Incubation Centre (PDEU IIC) is an incubator at PDEU established in 2014. The center was formally established in 2017 u/s 8 of Companies Act, 2013, with a vision to provide state-of-the-art support and service to innovators, technocrats and entrepreneurs who aim to create a social and economic pact in the society through innovative solutions to existing problems. The center acts complementary to the academic and research activities of the University.

ABOUT SSIP:

The Student Startup & Innovation Policy (SSIP) of Government of Gujarat is a first of its-kind, an integrated, state-wide, university-based innovation policy in the country that shall create a much-needed Innovation and Pre-incubation Ecosystem Support for Students (IPIES) across the state, adding to the start-up ecosystem of Gujarat. The policy aims to create culture of innovation and spirit of entrepreneurship that the state of Gujarat already possesses.

ABOUT GOVERNMENT POLYTECHNIC:

Government Polytechnic, Ahmedabad was established in the year 1957 and has been a pioneer among all state government polytechnic institutes offering diplomas in Technical Education, in Gujarat state. It is one of the oldest educational institutes of the World Heritage city of Ahmedabad.

The visit was made by the officials of the SSIP cell of Government Polytechnic institute Ahmedabad.

PURPOSE OF THE VISIT

The faculties from Government Polytechnic university visited PDEU IIC with the purpose of exploring and understanding how an incubation center functions. The reason behind this visit was: Government Polytechnic had recently been granted support under SSIP scheme, and as a pre-incubation facility, for the same they wanted to gain insights about the various aspects of incubation such as mentorship, networking, funding, and other support services provided by the center.

ABOUT THE VISIT:

On 9th March, 2023, PDEU IIC hosted a visit for the team of officials from the 'SSIP Government Polytechnic' to provide them with an insight about the incubation environment and present them with the system through which the organization provides assistance to young entrepreneurs throughout their startup journey. The visit was made by the officials of the SSIP cell of Government Polytechnic Institute, Ahmedabad. The visit was majorly focused on describing the different domains across which PDEU IIC has spread out to and identify any future prospect of future collaboration in potential areas with the visiting officials.



The visit commenced with the demonstration of the startups currently incubated at PDEU IIC. The team of officials appreciated the efforts of the organization and were impressed with a wide range of startups working under the one organizational umbrella in diverse fields of interest, including biotechnology, waste Management, clean energy, and agriculture. They also interacted with the founders of the demonstrated startups, who shared their entrepreneurial experience and challenges involved along with it.

Mentorship, finance, networking, and incubation are ways in which PDEU IIC helps entrepreneurs. The visit also highlighted the organization's incubation process, support and facilities offered to its incubatees.

The officials of SSIP government Polytechnic team also networked with students who were in the process of establishing their start up ideas. They shared their understanding and the motivation behind their entrepreneurial journey. The team observed that most students were motivated towards the idea to contribute towards for a particular social cause and to put a positive impact in society. They sought communal effect rather than financial gain.



The team was also acquainted with various facilities provided at the PDEU IIC and also had a friendly interaction with the mentors and employees. The employees at the center enunciated upon their role and expertise in different domains that PDEU IIC inherits along with the future goals and motives of what PDEU IIC is aiming for.

CONCLUSION:

The visit of the 'SSIP Govt Polytechnic' team to PDEU IIC was productive, and both sides gained a handful of insight from the whole visit. The officials appreciated the efforts made by PDEU IIC in nurturing startups and acknowledged the range of startups working in diverse fields. They identified potential areas of collaboration with the growing startups which focused on a larger societal objective.

The visit also highlighted the motivation behind student startup journeys, which was to make a positive impact on society.