

NIFT STUDENT VISIT



Venue

PDEU IIC



Time

1:30 P.M. onwards



Number of Participant

40



Date

10th March, 2023





ABOUT PDEU IIC

PDEU Innovation and Incubation Centre (PDEU IIC), formerly known as PDCU Innovation and Incubation Centre (PDCU IIC) is an incubator at PDEU established in 2014. The centre 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 centre acts complementary to the academic and research activities of the University.

PDEU IIC has incubated 160+ start-ups across 8+ domains. The IIC Office has a specially designated area of 20,000 sq. of for the start-ups to work on.

ABOUT NIFT

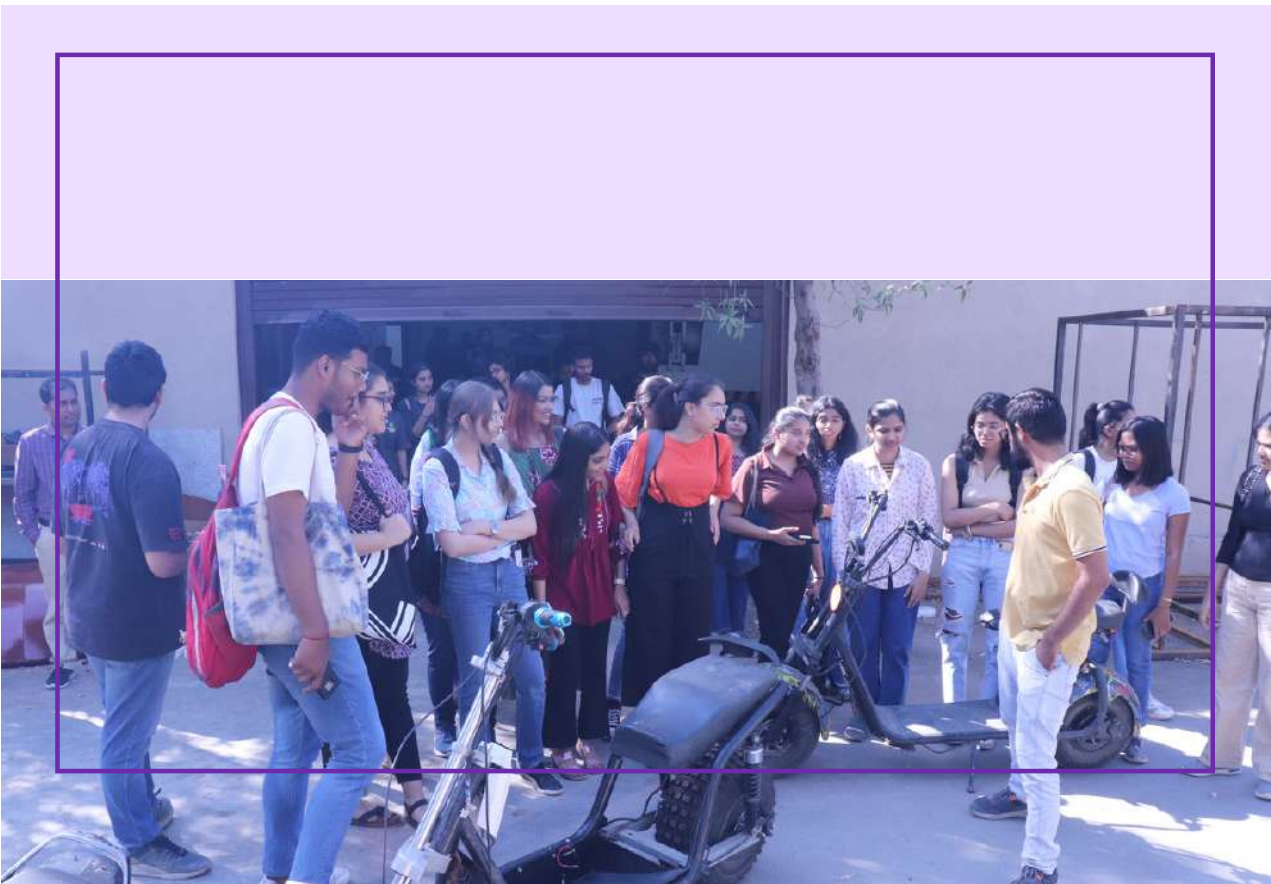
Set up in 1986, National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT) is the pioneering institute of fashion education in the country and has been in the vanguard of providing professional human resources to the textile and apparel industry, It was made a statutory institute in 2006 by an Act of the Indian Parliament of India as “Visitor” and has full fledged campuses all across the country.

The NIFT Campus at Gandhinagar, considered to be perhaps the greenest city in India. It was established in 1995 at a temporary campus building allotted by Govt. of Gujarat at Sector 26, Gandhinagar. Later the Government of Gujarat allotted a plot of 20,000 sq.mt. land for NIFT Gandhinagar’s permanent Campus near Infocity which became operational in February 2004. An additional 10,000 sq. mt. land was allotted for the Girl’s Hostel, Director’s Bungalow and Staff Quarters.



ABOUT VISIT

PDEU IIC hosts numerous such visits to disseminate awareness regarding the growing startup ecosystem, support offered by the government to nurture entrepreneurship and foster innovation. To abide by the mandate in their bachelor's course, the students of NIFT (National Institute of Fashion Technology), Gandhinagar, paid a visit to PDEU IIC in order to learn about the startup landscape and how they can avail services and facilities rendered by PDEU IIC to pursue their entrepreneurial dreams. The visit suited best to the interests of students pursuing fashion-technology and innovation. Additionally, they had the opportunity to network with entrepreneurs and other professionals in the industry during their visit, who gave them valuable advice to brighten their future career prospects.





Pre experiencing the tour of the facility, the students were briefed by the employees about the history of PDEU IIC's incorporation and feats it had achieved over the years. Moreover, the presentation highlighted the governmental schemes that are apt for student innovation. The presentation was followed by a tour of the facility, wherein the students had the opportunity to witness the co-working space, rapid prototyping lab (3D Printing Lab), workshop equipped with machinery, training centre and much more.

They were also given a chance to explore the prototypes of 2 renowned incubated startups of PDEU IIC - Saltech design labs and Rhyno wheels from waste management and EV domain respectively. It further helped the startups to network with the Fashion technology students who can in return help startups with their expertise in apparel manufacturing technology.

CONCLUSION

The students of NIFT had a great exposure to the technical aspects on how startups work and how IIC is involved in supporting the incubatees. The visit was beneficial especially for the fashion-tech and innovation pursuing students as they got to interact and view the back-end of product development and execution. PDEU IIC invited a lot of guidance and suggestions from the NIFT students in the designing field and received positive feedback too. All in all, it was a really fun and enlightening experience for all the participants involved.

