

Event Title

Event Name: Awareness Session on Students Startup and Innovation Policy (SSIP 2.0) For First year Students

Date: 27.6.2024

Venue/ Mode: Tagore Hall, IC Department, LDCE

No of Participants: 118

Speakers Name: Dr. Manish Thakker, Professor and Head, IC Department, SSIP Coordinator, LDCE

About Event:

An awareness session on the Students Startup and Innovation Policy (SSIP 2.0) was conducted by Dr. Manish Thakker, Professor and Head of the IC Department, and SSIP Coordinator at LDCE. The session aimed to familiarize students with the SSIP 2.0 policy of the Government of Gujarat, its features, the role of startups in India's growth, Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) support, the role of incubators and accelerators, and the facilities provided by the Innovation Hub (I Hub) for startups, Around 120 students of IC and Computer engineering attended the session.

Topics Covered

1. SSIP 2.0 Policy of the Government of Gujarat

Dr. Thakker provided a comprehensive overview of the Students Startup and Innovation Policy (SSIP 2.0). He explained that SSIP 2.0 aims to foster a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship among students across Gujarat. The policy provides financial support up to 2.5 lac for PoCs and 75K for filing a patent, this support to budding entrepreneurs, encouraging them to develop innovative solutions and startups.

2. Features of SSIP 2.0

The session highlighted the key features of SSIP 2.0, including:

- Financial grants for prototype development, patent filing, and commercialization.
- Access to incubation facilities and mentorship programs.
- Collaboration opportunities with industry experts and academic institutions.
- Incentives and awards for successful startups and innovative projects.
- Mentoring for PoCs

3. Role of Startups in India's Growth

Dr. Thakker emphasized the critical role of startups in driving economic growth and innovation in India. He discussed how startups contribute to job creation, technological advancements, and addressing societal challenges. The session included examples of successful Indian startups, startup from LDCE and their impact on various sectors.

4. IPR Support of SSIP 2.0

Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) support under SSIP 2.0 was a significant focus of the session. Dr. Thakker explained the importance of protecting intellectual property and how SSIP 2.0 assists startups in filing patents and trademarks. The policy offers financial support for IPR-related activities, ensuring that innovators can safeguard their ideas and innovations. He had explain the process to apply for Patent as well as PoCs from LDCE website.

5. Role of Incubators and Accelerators

The session detailed the role of incubators and accelerators in nurturing startups. Dr. Thakker explained that incubators provide early-stage support, including workspace, mentorship, and resources, while accelerators help startups scale their operations and access funding. The importance of networking and collaboration within these ecosystems was also highlighted.

6. Innovation Hub (I Hub) Facilities for Startups

Dr. Thakker introduced the facilities available at the Innovation Hub (I Hub) for startups. These include:

- State-of-the-art infrastructure and co-working spaces.
- Access to labs, research facilities, and technical expertise.
- Networking events, workshops, and training programs.
- Funding opportunities through start up Shrujan Program and investor connections.

Outcome of Event:

The awareness session on SSIP 2.0, conducted by Dr. Manish Thakker, was highly informative and beneficial for the students. It provided valuable insights into the policies, support mechanisms, and opportunities available for aspiring entrepreneurs. The session inspired students to explore innovative ideas and leverage the resources provided by SSIP 2.0 to develop successful startups.

Event Photos

