

## Report

### **Catalyst 6.0 and Secure 3.0 - Screening for Proposals for Startups under Pre-Incubation Program and IP Support**

**Event Date:** 12.03.2025

#### **About the event:**

The *Catalyst 6.0 Program* invited applications from startups seeking support to develop a Proof-of-Concept (PoC) from their ideas. Designed to strengthen the pre-incubation pipeline, the program offered selected startups grants of up to ₹2,50,000 under SSIP 2.0 for PoC development. Open to students, startup enthusiasts, and innovators across Gujarat, the initiative attracted 23 startup applications. On March 12, 2025, the Institution-Level SSIP Scrutiny Committee conducted the selection process and shortlisted six startups. These selected startups were awarded additional cumulative funding support of ₹2,70,000 under SSIP 2.0, further accelerating their journey toward innovation and commercialization.

The Secure 3.0 IP Support Program invited proposals from startups and innovators seeking funding for intellectual property protection under Gujarat Government's SSIP 2.0 policy. Support was available for patents, copyrights, trademarks, international registrations, industrial designs, and more. A total of 5 applications were received, with 3 recommended by the Institution-Level SSIP Scrutiny Committee for further review by the institute's IPR committee.