

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 618**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 06.12.2023

**SAMRIDH**

**618 SHRI E. T. MOHAMMED BASHEER :**

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched startup Accelerator programs for product innovation development and growth (SAMRIDH);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is monitoring the level of achievements under the scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a): Yes, Sir. The Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MeitY) has undertaken various initiatives and measures to promote a technology-led startup innovation ecosystem in the country for promoting deep tech entrepreneurship. The Startup Accelerator of MeitY for Product Innovation, Development, and Growth (SAMRIDH) programme was launched in August 2021 to create a conducive platform for Indian startups to enhance their products and secure investments for scaling their business.

(b): The SAMRIDH programme aims to accelerate around 300 Startups (cohort size of 5-10 Startups) through existing and upcoming Accelerators.

(c): Yes Sir. The Government is continuously monitoring the level of achievements under the scheme through the Scheme Management Committee (SMC) and MeitY Startup Hub Expert Committee (MSH-EC).

(d): In the first round of cohort, 22 potential Accelerators spread across 12 states have been identified and supported with a mandate to accelerate 175 startups. The details of 22 Accelerators including the number of startups per cohort being supported at present under the programme are attached as ANNEXURE-I.

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**Annexure-I**

<b>S.no.</b>	<b>Name of the Accelerator</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Allocated Cohort Size of Startups</b>
1.	IIM Calcutta Innovation Park	West Bengal	10
2.	KIIT-Technology Business Incubator	Odisha	10
3.	Foundation for Innovation & Technology Transfer (FITT)	Delhi	10
4.	The GAIN – The Global Accelerator for Innovation Network	Karnataka	10
5.	Amity Innovation Incubator	Uttar Pradesh	8
6.	Atal Incubation Center- BIMTECH	Uttar Pradesh	8
7.	Indigram Labs Foundation	Delhi	8
8.	India Accelerator	Delhi	8
9.	Let's Venture Foundation	Pan India Platform	8
10.	SPR Skill Education/Padup Ventures	Haryana	8
11.	Amrita Technology Business Incubator	Karnataka	8
12.	C-Camp, Bangalore	Karnataka	8
13.	Maker Village	Kerela	8
14.	CIE-IIIT Hyderabad	Telangana	8
15.	T-Hub Foundation	Telangana	8
16.	Horses Stable	Pan India Platform	8
17.	Coimbatore Innovation & Business Incubator - Forge	Tamil Nadu	8
18.	Venture Center	Maharashtra	8
19.	AIC GIM Foundation	Goa	8
20.	Crescent Innovation & Incubation Council (CIIC)	Tamil Nadu	5
21.	Gujarat University Startup and Entrepreneurship Council (GUSEC)	Gujarat	5
22.	Zone Startups India	Maharashtra	5
<b>Total</b>			<b>175</b>

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