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Message from ARVIND KUMAR Director General, STPI



India's technology landscape is undergoing a remarkable transformation, driven by the ingenuity, resilience, and enterprising spirit of its innovators, technologists, and entrepreneurs. The country's digital economy is expanding at a rapid pace, reflecting a strong synergy between government policy, private enterprise, and a tech-savvy population eager to embrace change. Amid this vibrant and ever-evolving technological ecosystem, the Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) continues to play a vital role in nurturing innovation, strengthening the IT sector, and empowering entrepreneurship on a national scale.

Originally established with the goal of promoting software exports from India, STPI has significantly broadened its scope over the years. It now functions as a key enabler of digital empowerment and economic development, particularly in regions that were traditionally overlooked in the country's early IT growth phases. One of STPI's major contributions lies in its ability to create a robust infrastructure and regulatory environment that supports both budding startups and established technology firms. Through its incubation programs, infrastructure facilities, and policy-led support mechanisms, STPI has successfully created a fertile ground for technological innovation and business growth.

One of STPI's most impactful strategies has been its commitment to inclusive and equitable growth in the IT industry. Recognizing the need to extend the benefits of the digital revolution beyond metropolitan hubs, STPI has deliberately focused on decentralizing the IT ecosystem and facilitating the spread of technology-based entrepreneurship to Tier II and Tier III cities. Out of its expansive network of 67 centres across the country, as many as 59 centres are located in Tier II and Tier III cities. This strategic outreach is aimed at catalysing regional development, reducing the urban-rural divide, and enabling grassroots-level innovation.

By establishing centres in these smaller cities, STPI is not only helping bridge the technological gap between urban and semi-urban areas but also generating new employment opportunities, encouraging local talent retention, and fostering innovation. These centres serve as vital conduits for local entrepreneurs, startups, and small businesses to gain access to world-class infrastructure, high-speed connectivity, mentoring, funding opportunities, and policy support. Such initiatives are particularly impactful in regions with untapped talent pools and a growing appetite for technological advancement.

Reinforcing its mission to democratize access to technology and innovation, STPI has recently launched new centres in Jajpur and Jeypore (Koraput) districts of Odisha. These facilities are part of a broader push to stimulate digital development in eastern India, which holds immense potential. The new centres in Jajpur and Jeypore are equipped with state-of-the-art infrastructure, designed to facilitate IT exports, promote entrepreneurship, support startup ecosystems, and provide premium-quality incubation services at the local level.

These centres are expected to act as regional innovation hubs, significantly contributing to the socioeconomic upliftment of their surrounding areas.

In addition to these developments in Odisha, STPI has also made a major stride towards regional empowerment with the launch of a large-scale incubation facility in Kolkata, West Bengal. This centre is particularly noteworthy due to its size, scope, and strategic significance. Spanning over 2 lakh square feet, the facility boasts 105 plug-and-play seats, a 200-seater auditorium, modern conference rooms, and a fully equipped cafeteria, making it one of the most comprehensive and versatile incubation centres in the region.

The Kolkata centre is envisioned as a flagship initiative that supports not only incubation services but also provides an array of other support functions including statutory services, high-speed data communication, data centre operations, and cybersecurity services. This multifaceted support ecosystem is tailored to meet the diverse needs of startups, IT firms, and digital innovators, thereby accelerating the digital transformation journey in Eastern India.

Looking ahead, STPI remains steadfast in its commitment to empowering next-generation entrepreneurs and propelling India's digital economy with precision, scale and purpose.



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Empowering Autonomy, Enabling Intelligence

Inferigence Quotient Pvt Ltd, also known as InferQ, is a Deep Tech company affiliated with STPI IMAGE CoE, Hyderabad. The company's core competencies lie in Certifiable Autonomy for Unmanned Aerial Systems and Intelligence, Surveillance, Target Acquisition and Reconnaissance (ISTAR) Processing.

InferQ's tech stack spans across Robotic Navigation, Signal and Image Processing, Remote Sensing, Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Multisource Data and Information Fusion, Optimised and Secure Edge AI and Embedded High-performance Computing. All of this is implemented with strict adherence to rigorous lifecycle processes for Design Assurance and Learning Assurance.

The company has earned several prestigious grants and funding from various government bodies, awarded through stringent competitive processes. Additionally, InferQ is part of several renowned cohorts.

The startup also actively contributes to various national programmes aimed at realising the vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat, and is adding significant value to navigation technologies and missions involving manned and unmanned aerial, surface and underwater vehicles.

About Chetas

The flagship product of the company — Chetas — is an Intelligent Surveillance and Collision Avoidance System for UAVs. The name 'Chetas' is derived from Sanskrit, meaning 'Aware'. The system utilises data from multiple sensor types to deliver situational awareness and safety guidance to aircraft. Chetas is designed to prevent Controlled Flight Into Terrain (CFIT), which is a leading cause of fatal aviation accidents. It also prevents collisions with other flying objects nearby, a critical feature for UAVs that operate beyond visual line-of-sight.

Chetas offers complete situational awareness of objects in the sky as well as on the ground. These capabilities are fully customisable depending on mission objectives and the specific characteristics of different aircraft. Multiple variants of the product are available, including Active and Passive systems, Cooperative and Non-cooperative Collision Avoidance, Terrain-referenced Navigation, Terrain-awareness and Warning Systems and Tracker Solutions for both Aerial and Ground Systems. These are offered in the form of Software Development Kits (SDK), Electronics Cards and Standalone Electronics Systems.

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an Airworthy Multifunction Computer for Large Aircrafts



Dr. Neeta Trivedi

Founder & CEO, Inferigence Quotient Pvt. Ltd.



Extending its footprint, STPI launches two centres in Odisha to bolster tech services in tier II/III cities

Scaling innovation and steering the IT industry to boost exports and tech services, STPI launched its 66th and 67th centres in Jajpur and Jeypore (Koraput), marking a quiet yet powerful shift in India's tech landscape and bringing cutting-edge infrastructure to the grassroots.

On 29th January 2025, during the Utkarsh Odisha: Make in Odisha Conclave 2025 in Bhubaneshwar, the new STPI centres were inaugurated by Honourable Union Minister for Railways, Information and Broadcasting, Electronics and Information Technology, Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw.

The grand event brought together leaders who are shaping the state's digital destiny, including the Honourable Minister for Health and Family Welfare, Parliamentary Affairs, Electronics & IT, Government of Odisha, Dr. Mukesh Mahaling; Honourable Member of Parliament, Jajpur, Dr. Rabindra Narayan Behera; Director General, STPI, Shri Arvind Kumar and Principal Secretary, Electronics & IT Dept., Government of Odisha, Shri Vishal K. Dev.

STPI Jajpur has been built with state-of-the-art IT grade incubation infrastructure of approx. 20,000 sq.ft, G+1 floors, plug & play seats, dedicated conference room, meeting rooms and a fully functional Network Operation Centre (NOC). Similarly, the Jeypore facility has been equipped with IT grade incubation infrastructure of approx. 10,799 sq.ft, G+1 floors, plug & play seats, conference room, meeting rooms and an NOC. Both centres are strategically designed to catalyse employment generation, foster entrepreneurship, enhance skill development and boost IT exports in their respective regions.





STPI unveils new Incubation Facility in Kolkata as an innovation hub

Marking another significant stride towards innovation and entrepreneurship, Honourable Union Minister of State for Ministry of Commerce & Industry and Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology, Shri Jitin Prasada, inaugurated the STPI Incubation Facility in Kolkata on 19th February, 2025.

Addressing the gathering, Honourable MoS emphasised India's emergence as the skill capital of the world, driven by a talented workforce and cutting-edge innovation. He expressed that, under the visionary leadership of Honourable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, they are committed to making India the technological hub of the world.

During the event, Director General, STPI, Shri Arvind Kumar urged young entrepreneurs and IT firms to leverage the potential of the new incubation facility. He reiterated STPI's promise of providing 360-degree support, including mentorship, infrastructure, market access and global networking opportunities, to startups.

The iconic STPI incubation facility serves as a nucleus of excellence, aiming to empower startups, support IT/ITES companies and drive innovation in cutting-edge technologies. The facility has been equipped with state-of-the-art infrastructure of approx. 2 lakh sq.ft, 105 play-and-play seats, 200-seater auditorium, modern conference rooms and a fully equipped cafeteria, and is poised to become a dynamic launchpad for the next generation of entrepreneurs.



SANGAM: Igniting innovation and collaboration to propel India's startup ecosystem

With a vision to fuel innovation, foster collaboration and empower the next generation of entrepreneurs, STPI proudly hosted SANGAM — a landmark national conclave celebrating the vibrant achievements of startups nurtured under the Next Generation Incubation Scheme (NGIS), an initiative by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY).

SANGAM emerged as a vibrant platform that spotlighted the transformative journey of Indian startups, particularly those from Tier-II and Tier-III cities, reaffirming the government's commitment to inclusive growth and decentralised innovation. The event successfully brought together a dynamic guild of founders, industry experts, academia and government leaders to engage in impactful dialogue, forged strategic partnerships and facilitated valuable knowledge exchange.



Key Highlights of SANGAM 2025

Speakers session: A power-packed lineup of visionaries

The grand event saw a group of preeminent speakers and guests, including Secretary, MeitY, Shri S. Krishnan; Investor, Board Member, Philanthropist, Global Business Leader, Ms. Farzana Haque; Director General, STPI, Shri Arvind Kumar; Joint Secretary, MeitY, Shri K. K. Singh; Chairman and MD, CyberMedia, Shri Pradeep Gupta; Chief Operating Officer, India and Southeast Asia, Wadhwani Foundation, Shri Sanjay Shah; Co-founder, Venture Catalysts++, Dr. Apoorva Ranjan Sharma, among other renowned industry leaders, investors and mentors.

The Chief Guest for the inaugural session, Secretary, MeitY delivered an insightful address at SANGAM, emphasising on the pivotal role of innovation and startups in shaping the future of India's economy. Highlighting the transformative potential of startups, he stated that they are inherently disruptive, consistently pushing the boundaries of what's possible. He stressed that by accelerating startup growth, India can unlock new opportunities, create jobs and achieve economic self-reliance.

At the event, DG STPI highlighted NGIS's impactful journey. "Under the NGIS scheme, STPI has supported 685 startups, provided seed funding to 136 startups and created over 7,000 jobs. These startups have generated ₹335 crore in revenue and secured ₹286 crore in external funding, far surpassing the ₹35 crore disbursed by NGIS," he shared.

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At the monumental event, STPI also felicitated numerous "Rising Stars Startups" under the NGIS Scheme, recognising their role in driving innovation and transforming India's tech landscape.

Strategic collaborations to drive innovation: Signing of MoUs

Several significant partnerships were formalised during the event, marking a pivotal step toward collaborative growth across diverse sectors:

STPINEXT Initiatives signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Centre for Medical Innovation & Entrepreneurship, AIIMS New Delhi, to accelerate MedTech innovation and advance healthcare technologies.

STPINEXT Initiatives partnered with Netlink Software Private Limited, Bhopal, to bolster software innovation and incubation capacity in central India.

A third impactful collaboration was sealed between STPINEXT Initiatives and K.R. Mangalam Entrepreneurship and Incubation Center (KEIC), Gurugram, fostering academic-industry linkages to promote entrepreneurial learning and incubation support.

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Launch of STPI MedTech CoE's Open Challenge Program 6.0

Another milestone at the event was the official launch of the 6th Open Challenge Program (OCP 6.0) by STPI MedTech CoE, Lucknow. The initiative invites promising MedTech startups from across the country to pitch, refine and scale their innovative solutions, offering them structured mentoring, funding support and access to high-end infrastructure.



STPI signs MoU with University of Mumbai to boost the startup ecosystem

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between STPI and the University of Mumbai to boost innovation, foster entrepreneurship and support technology-based startups. This collaboration aims to provide academic and infrastructural support to startups, encourage research-driven innovations and facilitate skill development in emerging technologies.

The MoU was formally exchanged between Director, STPI Pune, Shri Ajay Prasad Shrivastava and Vice Chancellor, University of Mumbai, Prof. Ravindra Kulkarni in the august presence of Director General, STPI, Shri Arvind Kumar.



STPI sparks waves of innovation and entrepreneurship at UmagineTN 2025

In a vibrant showcase of technology, innovation and entrepreneurial spirit, STPI co-hosted the two-day global summit UmagineTN 2025, held on 9th and 10th January 2025 at the Chennai Trade Centre. The event drew over 4,000 delegates and welcomed 10,000 visitors from across the world. The audience had an immersive experience of India's cutting-edge solutions and emerging technologies through the 150 stalls featured at the summit.

UmagineTN 2025 focused on pivotal themes shaping the future, namely, Equitable Public Policies, Governance, Climate Impact and Sustainability, Economic Growth and Workforce Transformation.



Here, STPI set up a pavilion with 40 emerging startups from the SAYUJ community, each embodying the visionary spirit that STPI nurtures through its incubators and capacity-building programs.

A thought-provoking panel discussion titled "Innovation Centers Accelerating Tamil Nadu's Tech Startup Growth" added further depth to the summit. During the session, DG STPI shared key insights into India's thriving startup ecosystem. He emphasised on how the government of India is creating well-equipped incubation spaces for startups. "Over 1.4 lakh startups are registered with DPIIT and approximately 50% of startups are emerging from Tier-II & Tier-III cities, highlighting a shift beyond metros," he stated.

Industry-startup meet at Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar spurs regional growth



STPI Pune organised an industry-startup interaction on 25th January, 2025 at Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar with the objective of fostering collaboration between the IT/ITES industry and emerging startups in the region.

The session witnessed active participation from esteemed dignitaries including Joint Secretary, Ministry of Electronics and IT (MeitY), Government of India, Shri Sanket Bhondve; Collector and DM, Government of Maharashtra and Joint MD at MSEDCL, Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar, Rahul Gupta; Under Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), Government of India, Ms. Vallari Gaikwad and leaders and representatives from industry associations.

During the session, JS MeitY delivered the keynote address and appreciated STPI's agile efforts in supporting the IT/ITES sector and fostering the startup ecosystem across the country.

STPI partners with key associations

During the industry-startup interaction, STPINEXT signed three Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) with key industry associations, including the Marathwada Association of Small-Scale Industries & Agriculture (MASSIA), Chamber of Marathwada Industries & Agriculture (CMIA) and Marathwada Accelerator for Growth and Incubation Council (MAGIC), to promote innovation and strengthen the tech startup ecosystem in the Marathwada region.

These collaborations will help to promote entrepreneurship, support startups through STPI CoEs and create a nurturing environment for tech growth in the region.



STPI West Bengal Export Awards 2023-24

STPI felicitated IT/ITeS companies for their contribution to the country's IT/ITeS exports, job creation, empowering women and offering Divyangjan employees meaningful career opportunities. The STPI West Bengal Export Awards 2023-24 were held during TiECon 2025 event in Kolkata on 21st March 2025.

STPI Bhubaneswar conducts 5-day Faculty Development Program to strengthen academia-industry linkages



STPI Electropreneur Park CoE, Bhubaneswar, in collaboration with the Ministry of Education and AICTE, hosted a Faculty Development Program on 22nd March, 2025. The event featured insightful sessions and conversations between academicians, industry leaders and startup founders. It reinforced STPI's commitment of building a thriving startup ecosystem and institutions in a collaborative effort.

E-Summit 2025 at IIIT Bhubaneswar, in collaboration with STPI, ignites entrepreneurial spirit

E-Summit 2025, organised by the Entrepreneurship Cell, IIIT Bhubaneswar, in partnership with STPI Electropreneur Park CoE, Bhubaneswar, was held on 13th February, 2025 to celebrate innovation, foster collaboration and ignite entrepreneurial dreams.



माननीय संसदीय राजभाषा समिति द्वारा STPI Mohali का राजभाषायी निरीक्षण किया गया।

माननीय संसदीय राजभाषा समिति ने दिनांक 24.02.2025 को शिमला (हिमाचल प्रदेश) में STPI Mohali के पदाधिकारीगण साथ निरीक्षण बैठक की | इस दौरान, समिति ने मंत्रालय एवं विभाग के वरिष्ठ अधिकारियों की उपस्थिति में राजभाषा हिंदी से संबंधित कार्यों का अवलोकन किया।

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STPI and HYSEA host 32nd HYSEA National Summit & Awards at HICC



HYSEA and STPI Hyderabad hosted the 32nd HYSEA National Summit and Awards at Hyderabad International Convention Centre (HICC) on 11th February, 2025.

The conference featured panel discussions on AI, Agentic AI and Quantum Computing, focusing on their transformative applications across domains like life sciences, green software, e-Governance, etc. The theme for this year's event was "AI & Beyond: Redefining the Future."

The summit also recognised the most promising startups in Telangana and awarded them for excellence in exports and product development within the IT/ITES sectors.

STPI Apiary CoE joins hands with IDS Pvt. Ltd. to foster innovation



STPI Apiary CoE signed an MoU with M/s IDS Private Limited as STPI Gurugram's official knowledge partner (Technology) on 18th March, 2025, with the aim of fostering innovation and collaboration.

STPI conducts awareness session on DPDP Act



STPI officials participated in an insightful awareness session on 25th March, 2025, conducted by NeGD at STPI headquarters, New Delhi.

The session focused on raising awareness about personal data rights and the legal framework of the Digital Personal Data Protection (DPDP) Act 2023 in India.

STPI co-hosts the Andhra Pradesh Digital Technology Summit



STPI Hyderabad co-hosted the Andhra Pradesh Digital Technology Summit (APDTS 2025), which was organised by the AP Digital Technology Industry Leadership Forum (AP DTILF) in collaboration with the DeepTech Naipunya Foundation (DTNF). The event was held between 8th-9th January, 2025 in Visakhapatnam.

Honourable ITE&C Minister Shri Nara Lokesh inaugurated the summit which focused on IT development, deep tech, medical and health tech, electronics, smart and sustainable tech, among other sectors of the digital technology industry.

It brought together leaders, innovators, investors, startups and key stakeholders from the field, creating a dynamic platform for collaboration, knowledge-sharing and exploration of latest trends.

STPI hosts OCTANE CoE Investor Connect 3.0 to propel Northeast India's startup ecosystem



STPI Guwahati organised the OCTANE CoE Investor Connect 3.0, an exclusive event for selected startups to engage with top industry experts, investors and mentors.

Chief Operating Officer, IIM Calcutta Innovation Park, Shri Pranjal Konwar moderated a panel discussion on "Unlocking the Investment Potential of Northeast India: Strategies for Long-Term Growth" at the event held on 7th March, 2025 in Guwahati.

STPI supports GIET Ghangapatna HackFest 2K25

STPI Emtek CoE, with AIC STPI NEXT INITIATIVES, backed the GIET Ghangapatna HackFest 2K25 which was held between 27th-28th February, 2025 in Bhubaneshwar. The competitive, collaborative event invited students to solve real-world problems through innovative coding in AI and ML, cyber security, smart cities and drone automation.



STPI participates in TiECon Mumbai 2025

On 12th March, 2025, STPI participated in TiECon Mumbai 2025, one of India's leading conferences for entrepreneurs, investors, industry leaders and innovators, held at the Jio World Convention Centre, BKC. The event, organised by TiE Mumbai, brought together a vibrant community of startups, business leaders and technology enthusiasts to explore the latest trends in business, technology and innovation.

Herein, STPI provided an opportunity to more than 25 startups incubated at STPI Motion CoE, including Helen Bikes (developing smart, fully-electric hubless bicycles), Kairus Energies and Agriverse Innovations, who displayed their cutting-edge solutions and interacted with key investors and stakeholders.

STPI takes part in global tech expo INDIASOFT 2025



STPI participated in the 25th edition of INDIASOFT 2025, a global networking event in the IT sector which offers a platform for industry leaders to engage with potential buyers from across the world and India. The event was held between 19th-21st March, 2025, at New Delhi's Bharat Mandapam.

The STPI stall here was abuzz with activity as esteemed dignitaries, delegates, investors and industry experts explored STPI's cutting-edge services. STPI officials also highlighted its services and key initiatives aimed at fostering and accelerating the startup ecosystem.

STPI participates in Global Entrepreneurs Conclave 2025

STPI sponsored the Global Entrepreneurs Conclave 2025, held between 10-11th January, 2025 in Pune. The event served as a vibrant platform for startups to demonstrate their entrepreneurial spirit, connect with investors and explore opportunities for growth.

Startups incubated under STPI MOTION and FASAL CoEs showcased their innovative solutions during the pitch fest.



STPI participates in PRAVAAH – MeitY Incubators Conclave 2025

On 25th February, 2025, Senior Director, STPI HQ, Dr. Sanjay Kumar Gupta and Director, STPI Pune, Shri Ajay Prasad Shrivastava participated in PRAVAAH – MeitY Incubators Conclave 2025 held at BITS Pilani, Goa, to throw light on the evolving landscape of India's innovation and startup ecosystem. STPI Neuron CoE at STPI Mohali also took part in the event.

The event, organised by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India, brought together a conglomerate of leaders, incubators, policymakers, startups and ecosystem enablers from across the country.

STPI & NIT Mizoram join hands to promote entrepreneurship in Northeast



STPI and NIT Mizoram signed an MoU on 30th January, 2025, paving the way for a vibrant ecosystem of innovation and entrepreneurship in the Northeast.

STPI and Tessolve ink 6-year pact to boost India's semiconductor ecosystem



STPI Bengaluru and Tessolve Semiconductor Pvt Ltd signed a 6-year MSA for SMART LAB (Semiconductor Measurement, Analysis & Reliability Test), enabling startups to test chip designs locally, reduce costs and speed up development cycles.

STPI showcases startup excellence at entrepreneurial conclave TiECon Chandigarh 2025



STPI participated in TiECON Chandigarh 2025, a large-scale entrepreneurial conclave held on 6-7th March, 2025, which featured business leaders from across the world. The two-day summit comprised insightful discussions, motivating mentoring sessions, interactive workshops and ample networking opportunities for the entrepreneurs seeking to expand their horizons

STPI-nurtured startups actively engaged with industry veterans, potential partners, and investors, gaining exposure and forging alliances to fuel their growth. In recognition of outstanding contributions, STPI also presented awards to startups driving software development and digital innovation in the regions of Mohali, Chandigarh and Panchkula.

Director General, STPI, Shri Arvind Kumar graced the event as a keynote speaker, extending warm greetings to dignitaries, including Honourable Governor of Punjab, Shri Gulab Chand Kataria. He highlighted the strong synergy between TiE and STPI in nurturing the startup ecosystem and reaffirmed STPI's continued commitment to supporting entrepreneurial growth through active collaboration in TiE-led initiatives.

B. Tech students visit STPI Shillong to explore India's thriving startup ecosystem



Engineering Students of Assam Don Bosco University visited STPI OctaNE CoE, Shillong, where they interacted with startups and explored STPI's role in fueling the country's startup ecosystem.

STPI Vijayawada organises industrial visit for engineering students



STPI Vijayawada organised an insightful industrial visit for the students of Sir C. R. Reddy Engineering College, Eluru, on 24th January, 2025, offering them a glimpse into real-world tech operations and innovation.

STPI celebrates International Women's Day in all grandeur; Hosts wellness

sessions and activities for staff across centres





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