

### **Student Startup and Innovation Policy (SSIP) and Institution Innovation Cell (IIC)**

The Institution Innovation Cell (IIC) at L.D. College of Engineering, named "AARAMBH," focuses on fostering innovation, entrepreneurship, and startups among students and faculty supported by SSIP ( Student startup and Innovation Policy of Government of Gujarat)

. Key activities and achievements include:

1. **Startup Cell Establishment:** A dedicated space named "AARAMBH" has been allocated for the startup cell, supported by an implementation committee comprising the principal, industry experts, alumni, startup ecosystem experts, and finance experts.
2. **Pre-Incubation Facilities:** The cell provides computers, internet, furniture, and co-working spaces for students and teams interested in innovation and entrepreneurship.
3. **Mentoring Support:** A detailed list of mentors, including senior industry personnel, is available to assist students with idea development, proof of concept (PoC), and prototyping.
4. **Financial Support for Prototyping and IPR:** In SSIP 1.0 From 2017 to 2021, Support of Rs. 2 Lac for PoC, 50000 for Patent, and in SSIP 2.0 Support of Rs. 2.5 Lac for PoC and 75000/-
5. **Recognition and Awards:** The institute achieved 3rd place under the Government Institute category in 2021 and received accolades such as "Best Performer Institution," "Best SSIP Coordinator," and "Mentor" awards in 2019 and 2022.
6. **Prototyping Facilities:** The institute offers a Design Lab, 3D printer, and electronics tinkering facilities to support basic prototyping.
7. **Courses and Programs:** New programs on innovation and entrepreneurship are recommended for inclusion in the syllabus, and online programs are planned for aspiring entrepreneurs.
8. **Documentation and Resources:** Books and journals on startups, innovation, and entrepreneurship are available in the library for student use.

## **About SSIP 2.0**

The Student Startup and Innovation Policy (SSIP) 2.0 is the updated version of the SSIP 1.0 policy launched by the Government of Gujarat in January 2022. The policy period is of 5 years (January 2022 – March 2027). The aim of SSIP 2.0 is to build on the success of the previous policy and take it to the next level by providing more comprehensive support to the startups and entrepreneurs in the state.

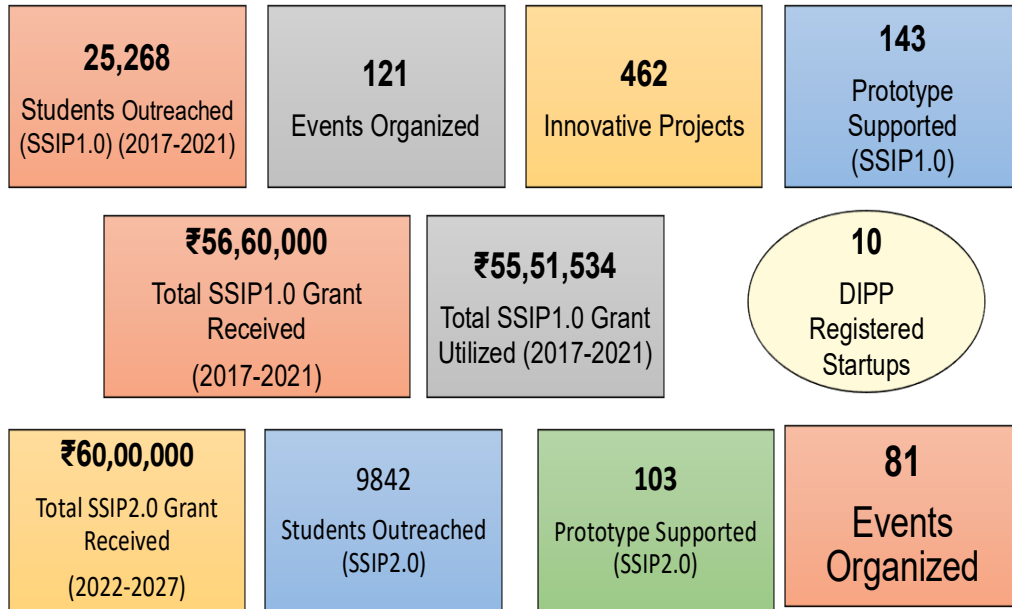
The policy provides funding assistance, mentorship, incubation, and accelerator support to the student startups, along with access to industry networks and global markets.

The SSIP 2.0 policy has also introduced a new concept of Innovation and Entrepreneurship (iHub), which is acting as a one-stop-solution for sector-wise startups and entrepreneurs. These hubs will provide state-of-the-art facilities, including co-working spaces, labs, and incubation centers, to the startups.

The policy aims to create an innovation-driven ecosystem in the state and develop a culture of entrepreneurship among students. It seeks to foster innovation, creativity, and collaboration among startups, industry, academia, and government.

Overall, the SSIP 2.0 policy is a step towards creating a robust startup ecosystem in Gujarat and providing a platform for young entrepreneurs to realize their dreams. It is expected to have a significant impact on the economic growth of the state by creating job opportunities, promoting innovation-led development, and attracting investments in the startup sector.

## SSIP Activities



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- IIC Certificate of Establishment of LDCE, Established on 2018-2019
- Reg. No. IC 201912914

