

# TIDE 2.0 Scheme

## Technology Incubation and Development of Entrepreneurs

A MeitY flagship initiative supporting ICT startups working on emerging technologies (AI, IoT, Blockchain, Robotics) to solve societal challenges, via financial and technical support to incubators.

### 1 Eligibility Criteria

**Business Type:** Registered Indian entity (Pvt Ltd, LLP, Partnership, Sole Proprietorship) or Startup India-recognized.

**Technology Focus:** ICT-enabled innovation using AI, IoT, Blockchain, Robotics, Cybersecurity, etc.

**Startup Stage:** Early stage — PoC, Prototype/MVP, or early revenue.

**Founder Criteria (Individuals):** Indian citizen with 4-yr UG/PG in Science/Engineering, or 3-yr degree + 2 yrs experience.

**Commitment:** At least one founder/co-founder must work full-time on the venture.

*Preference given to women-led startups, student innovators, and Tier II/III city entrepreneurs.*

### 2 Benefits of the Scheme

#### Financial Grants & Stipends

Seed funding, prototyping grants, and EiR stipends for PoC/MVP development.

#### Incubation Support

Access to physical infrastructure, labs & testing environments at incubation centers.

#### Mentorship & Networking

Guidance on business modeling, tech development, IP compliance & market access.

### 3 Documents Required

**Company Profile:** Pitch deck, website URL, product brochure

**Business Plan:** Idea, problem, solution, market & financial projections

**Founders' Info:** Detailed CVs of the founding team

**DPIIT Certificate:** Startup India Recognition Certificate

**Technology Proof:** TRL evidence or Proof of Concept

**Personal & Legal:** Aadhaar, banking statements, IP documents (if any)

### 4 Scheme Validity

**2,000**  
STARTUPS / 51  
INCUBATORS

Supports startups over a **5-year period**. Individual grants/EiR support run for the **incubation program duration** (typically 12–18 months). Apply via the **MeitY Startup Hub** portal.