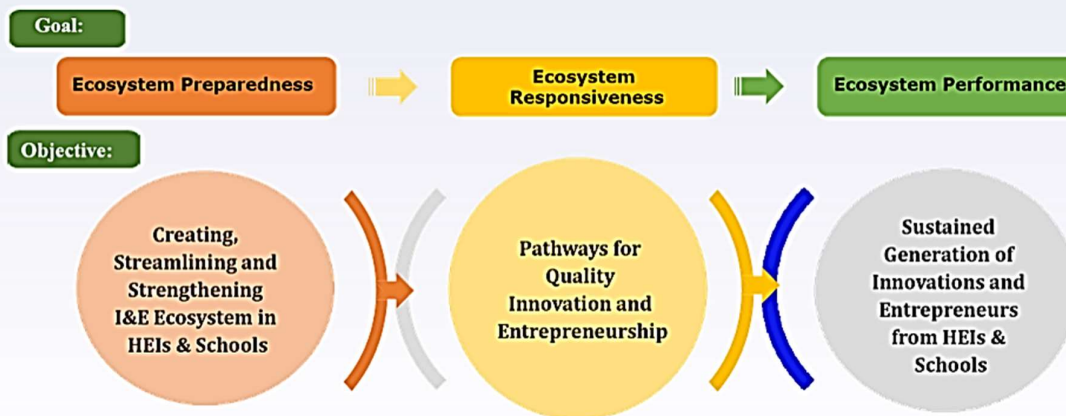## About IIC

In the year 2018, the Ministry of Education (MoE) through MoE's Innovation Cell (MIC) launched the Institution's Innovation Council (IIC) program in collaboration with AICTE for Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) to systematically foster the culture of innovation and start-up ecosystem in education institutions. Primarily, IICs' role is to engage large number of faculty, students and staff in various innovation and entrepreneurship related activities such as ideation, Problem solving, Proof of Concept development, Design Thinking, IPR, project handling and management at Pre-incubation/Incubation stage, etc., so that innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem gets established and stabilized in HEIs. The IIC model is designed to address the existing challenges/issues in HEIs such as less numbers, occasional and unplanned Innovation & Entrepreneurship (I&E) activities organised in HEIs with low involvement of top leadership, lack of coherence and absence of synergy in resource mobilization, deployment and underutilization of creative potential of youths as major barrier for vibrant I&E ecosystem to emerge from HEIs.

Policy Approach & Action Plan for I&E Development in HEIs

Goal:

Ecosystem Preparedness → Ecosystem Responsiveness → Ecosystem Performance

Objective:

Creating, Streamlining and Strengthening I&E Ecosystem in HEIs & Schools

Pathways for Quality Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Sustained Generation of Innovations and Entrepreneurs from HEIs & Schools

Programs and Schemes for IIC Institutions

Innovation Ambassador Program	Impact Lecture Session	Innovation Contest	Mentor-Mentee Program	Yukti National Innovation Repository
Building In-house Human Resource Capacity to Engage, Manage and Generate I&E: Training & mentoring support to Students & Faculties	Funding Support to HEIs located faraway from I&E Ecosystem to Organize Impact Lectures - Institutes Performance Improvement	360 Degree Experiential Learning program for Potential Student Innovators and Entrepreneurs Students	Peer Group Mentoring Support with Funding Support - Institute Improvement & Inter-institutional Collaborations	A System of Building Repository of Ideas, Innovations and Starts-ups - Campus to Commercialization

National Innovation Contest
Innovations & Start-ups Supported

Allocation of Rs. 10.00 Crore Fund:
Funding Support Up-to Rs. 10.00 Lakhs
per Team with Incubation Linkage

8 to 12 Months Period

75 Startups

17 Received Funding | 62 Received Funding

24 Teams Declared Finalist | 127 Teams Declared Finalist

73 Innovations Shortlisted & Trained | 310 Innovations Shortlisted & Trained

103 Innovations Mentored | 410 Innovations Mentored

1650 Nominations From HEIs | 1425 Nominations out of 9,949 Prototypes

4,000 Ideas and PoCs from HEIs | 29,778 Ideas, PoCs and Prototypes from HEIs

NIC 2019 | NIC 2020

- Investment Linkage and Connect with market Enablers: Angel Investors and VCs
- Funding & Incubation Linkage Support (Innovation Development, Market Research and Startup Establishment) support to Teams
- Funding Assessment: Boot camp on Startup Modeling and Elevator Pitching.
- Preparing Business Plan for Innovative Solution: Training on Business Plan Preparation
- Innovation Business Opportunity Validation: Business Model Canvas, Innovation Validation Workshop
- Proof of Concept and Prototype Development & Submissions: Design Thinking & IPR workshop,
- Problem Identification & Submission: Workshops, Field visits, Ideation