

Third Edition of IDE Bootcamp Inaugurated for Teachers and Principals

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The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), the Department of School Education and Literacy (DoSEL), and the Ministry of Education Innovation Cell (MIC) in collaboration with CBSE and NCERT have officially launched the third edition of the "Innovation, Design, and Entrepreneurship (IDE) Bootcamp." This initiative is aimed at secondary and senior secondary school, teachers, and principals. The bootcamp was inaugurated by Dr. Abhay Jere, Vice Chairman of AICTE and Chief Innovation Officer of MIC, Prof. Indrani Bhaduri, Head- PARAKH, NCERT and Dr. Biswajit Saha Director (Skill Education & Training), CBSE also attended the event. The IDE Bootcamp is organized in partnership with the Wadhvani Foundation, known for its support of entrepreneurship education.

During the inaugural address AICTE Vice Chairman Dr. Abhay Jere emphasized that the bootcamp aims to develop innovation, design, and entrepreneurial skills among student innovators, teachers and innovation ambassadors from schools. He said, students are the drivers of change in schools, supported by forward-thinking principals who nurture a generation of problem solvers. In today's world, solving the right problems is key to creating impactful ideas and solutions, helping India evolve into a knowledge-based economy and the world's third-largest economy. Workshops, bootcamps, and idea competitions are essential in fostering creativity and innovation among students.

Dr. Jere further said, schools must challenge students to tackle societal issues like electricity conservation, waste and water management, and resource optimization. Leveraging India's youthful potential, we can instill a mindset of design thinking and problem-solving, enabling students to innovate and access rewarding opportunities. Initiatives like AICTE's KAPILA, Idea Labs, School Innovation Council, and Indovation Centers play a pivotal role in enhancing innovation and idea generation. Together, let's empower our youth to build a brighter future for themselves and the nation.

Head- PARAKH, NCERT, Prof. Indrani Bhaduri said, this initiative is set to empower a new generation of innovators and entrepreneurs, contributing to India's growth in the global innovation landscape. With the IDE Bootcamp, India is taking another significant step toward strengthening its innovation ecosystem and nurturing the entrepreneurial spirit of its youth.

The two-day bootcamp commenced today and will be conducted in three phases across multiple locations until 7th December 2024. The first phase, running from 22nd to 23rd November, will take place at Indore, Jaipur, Srinagar, Durg, Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Chennai, Hyderabad & Dehradun. The second phase is scheduled for 29th and 30th November at Rajahmundry, Guwahati, Gurugram, Dhanbad, Thiruvananthapuram, Bhopal,

Nagpur, Jaipur, Modinagar & Kolkata. The final phase will be held on 06th and 07th December in Lucknow.

Participants in the bootcamp will undergo training in human-centric opportunity identification, design thinking tools, and essential skills for creating customer-centric products and services. They will also delve into fundamental business models and conduct initial evaluations of their startup ideas. The bootcamp will provide insights into the Indian entrepreneurial landscape, available opportunities for school children, and government support mechanisms.

The event will feature a variety of group activities, immersive sessions, and workshops designed to foster creativity and problem-solving skills. With a focus on collaborative and interactive learning, attendees will explore the essence of innovation, practical strategies for driving change, and the role of entrepreneurial thinking in education.