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DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

DIGITAL COMMUNICATION INNOVATION SQUARE(DCIS) UNDER CHAMPION SERVICES SECTOR SCHEME (CSSS)

Objectives

- To promote the ecosystem for research, design, development, proof of concept testing, Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) creation, pilot project and manufacturing i.e. complete value chain to make India a global hub for production of telecommunication equipment and a centre for digital communication services.

- To develop and establish standards to meet national requirements and participate in international standardization bodies to contribute in formulation of global standards, thereby making India a leading nation in the area of international telecom standardization

- To promote India specific application development that matches with behavioral pattern of the masses and adds value to their day-to-day activities both economic and social.

- To create synergies among the Academia, Research Institutes, Start-ups and Industry for capacity building and development of a balanced telecom ecosystem by organizing work- shops/seminar/ webinar etc. for sharing their views, plans, expectations and concerns in a free and constructive manner.

- Bridge the gap between R&D and commercialization

Who can apply?

- Startups
- MSMEs
- Consortium
- Individual Professionals

For more details: http://dcis.dot.gov.in

Scheme guidelines

ELIGIBLE CRITERIA

1.Startups, as defined and recognized by Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, working towards innovation, development or improvement of products or processes or services, or if it is a scalable business model with a high potential of employment generation or wealth creation.

OR

Any Indian company incorporated under the Companies Act 1956/2013, primarily a Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) as defined in the MSME Act, 2006 having over 51% stakes by the Indian Citizen / NRI / OCI and Head Quarter in India.

OR

Individual Innovators will also be encouraged to apply (research & academic institutions can use this category to apply). However, release of fund shall be subjected to compliance of eligibility condition for either Startup or MSME before agreement signing.

2. More than one organization can jointly submit the application in partnership with consortium, registered societies & Academia

3. Collaboration with Academia / R&D Organization are highly encouragedCollaboration with Academia / R&D Organization are highly encouraged

4. Every proposal must clearly identify a Project Lead (PL) who will take responsibility for the technical and managerial aspects of the project execution. If an application is selected for funding support, then its Project Leader will be required to sign the project Agreement on behalf of the applicant(s)

EXTENT OF MILESTONE BASED FINANCIAL SUPPORT

STARTUPS upto 50 Lakhs	MSME upto 2 Cr	Technology products requiring higher funding upto 10 Cr

ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA

- Startups (Scaling Stage)/MSMEs who have already tested their prototypes (hardware/software innovations) with or without any user agency
- Seeking further validations before becoming market-ready with a demonstrable demand are therefore encouraged to apply
- Financial support will be provided to those projects /ideas who have reached atleast proof of concept(PoC) level

Selected Startups / MSMEs will be provided mentorship or incubation support & technical advisory support during the project

Pilot opportunity will be provided in the digital communication space to desirous Startups/MSME

Register Now
Second Round of Online Application '2022 starts from 21st November and will close on 20th December 2022

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