

मुंबई विद्यापीठ



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परिपत्रक :-

मुंबई विद्यापीठातील सर्व विभाग आणि सलग्न महाविद्यालये यांना क्र. आय.आय.एल./आयसीसी /2024-25/११ दिनांक ४ मे, २०२४ रोजीच्या परिपत्रकान्वये नवोपक्रम, नवसंशोधन व साहचर्य मंडळ अंतर्गत स्टार्टअप क्लिनिक (Startup Clinic) उघडण्यासाठी २७ मे, २०२४ पर्यंत अर्ज मागविण्यात आले होते.

तसेच मुंबई विद्यापीठातील सर्व विभाग आणि सलग्न महाविद्यालये यांच्या कडून वारंवार विनंती करण्यात येते आहे की, तारीख वाढवून देण्यात यावी त्यांची विनंती मान्य करून दिनांक २८ जून, २०२४ पर्यंत अर्ज करण्याची तारीख वाढविण्यात येत आहे.

तुमच्या तयार संदर्भासाठी अर्जाची लिंक खाली दिली आहे.

<https://tinyurl.com/MyStartupClinic>

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University of Mumbai to set up 75 start-up clinics for students

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In its move to connect with budding entrepreneurs and to promote student-led start-ups, the University of Mumbai will soon be setting up 75 start-up clinics in its departments and affiliated colleges. The clinics will handhold aspiring entrepreneurs into starting their own ventures. Arts, science and commerce colleges, which have a large student base, and will have resources to work as an incubator, will be chosen for these clinics in the initial phase. The plan is to cover the entire length and breadth of the university's jurisdiction—20 each in Mumbai city and suburban districts, followed by 15 in Thane and five each in Palghar, Raigad, Sindhudurg and Ratnagiri—and make its start-up ecosystem more inclusive.

The start-up clinics, which will offer mentorship, resources and possible access to funding, will be developed by the university's own incubator, MU IDEAS Foundation Incubation Centre. Sachin Laddha, Director, Innovation, Incubation & Linkages, said that the university initially plans to select colleges with a strong student population on their own campus and which can also act as nodal centres for other colleges in the vicinity.

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up-related activities in other affiliated colleges. Our focus is to get ideas from budding entrepreneurs from rural, urban, tribal and coastal regions and help them culminate into successful ventures," said Laddha, adding that the co-ordinators of these clinics will also be provided training to run these clinics.

University's vice-chancellor Ravindra Kulkarni said that the goal of the programme is to increase diversity and inclusivity in the start-up ecosystem and to provide a supportive community for student entrepreneurs.

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students with pre-incubation and incubation activities. However, since it is in Kalina, its reach is limited for several students in the university's jurisdiction. "The start-up clinic project aims to bridge this gap. The students from the clinics will also get access to the university's MU IDEAS incubation centre in Kalina, which spreads over 40,000 square feet and is also one of the largest in any public university system in the state," said Kulkarni. He said that Prof Faruq Qazi, Dean (R&D) at VJTI and MU's Honorary Director Research and Development Cell, will be monitoring the mentoring system for research information system (RIS).

While initially there is no plan to provide direct funding, in future, once the centre grows, and collaborates with funding agencies for seed funding, the university will extend the benefit to students.

Among other initiatives of the clinic, the university is planning to offer student entrepreneurs one-on-one mentorship sessions with experienced entrepreneurs, industry experts and intends to cover all aspects of start-ups, including business strategy, product development, marketing and fundraising. Regular workshops and training will also be planned on legal compliance, pitching ideas to investors, financial management, among other things. These clinics will be expected to connect students with potential investors, venture capitalists, angel investors or any funding agencies to raise funds for their business ventures. They will also facilitate networking events, meet-ups, and networking sessions.

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