

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

**STARRED QUESTION No. \*238**

**ANSWERED ON 07/08/2024**

**INNOVATION HUBS IN TAMIL NADU**

**\*238 Shri K E Prakash:**

**Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of the existing innovation hubs in Tamil Nadu including their locations and focus areas;**
- (b) whether there are plans to establish new innovation hubs in Tamil Nadu; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE  
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY & EARTH SCIENCES  
(DR. JITENDRA SINGH)**

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी तथा पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)  
(डॉ. जितेंद्र सिंह)

**(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.**

**STATEMENT AS REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 238 FOR 07.08.2024 REGARDING INNOVATION HUBS IN TAMIL NADU**

**(a) The details of the existing innovation hubs in Tamil Nadu including their locations and focus areas, set up by various departments/ministries under Government of India viz. Department of Science & Technology (DST), Department of Biotechnology (DBT), NITI Aayog and Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), are given below:**

<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Name of Innovation Hubs</b>	<b>City In Tamil Nadu</b>	<b>Focus Area</b>	<b>Department/ Ministry</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>IIT Madras Pravartak Technologies Foundation set up at Indian Institute of Technology, Madras</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Sensors, Networking, Actuator &amp; Controls</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>IITM Incubation Cell, Indian Institute of Technology, Madras (IIT-MADRAS), setup at Indian Institute of Technology, Madras.</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Focus is on Deep Technology Startups in emerging technologies</b>	<b>DST &amp; MeitY</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>MaDeIT Innovation Foundation set up at Indian Institute of Information Technology Design and Manufacturing.</b>	<b>Kancheepuram</b>	<b>Smart Manufacturing, Healthcare</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>TREC-STEP (Tiruchirappalli Regional Engineering College - Science and Technology Entrepreneurs Park - NIT Tirchy), set up at National Institute of Technology.</b>	<b>Trichy</b>	<b>Manufacturing, Energy &amp; Environment</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>ABIS-Technology Business Incubator set up at Tamil Nadu Agricultural University</b>	<b>Coimbatore</b>	<b>Agriculture and allied - Farming, Food Processing, Hi Tech Agriculture</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Development of Entrepreneurs Through Incubation (DETI@ACE), setup at Adhiyamaan College of Engineering.</b>	<b>Hosur</b>	<b>Information and Communication Technologies (ICT)</b>	<b>DST</b>

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<b>7.</b>	<b>Bannari Amman Institute of Technology-Technology Business incubator (BIT- TBI) set up at Bannari Amman Institute of Technology</b>	<b>Erode</b>	<b>Biotechnology and agriculture based technologies</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>8.</b>	<b>Forge Incubator - Coimbatore Innovation and Business Incubator (CIBI) set up at Kumaraguru College of Technology.</b>	<b>Coimbatore</b>	<b>Emerging technologies like, artificial intelligence/machine learning (AI/ML), information and communication technology, electronics etc.</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Coimbatore Institute of Engineering and Technology Business Incubator Society set up at Coimbatore Institute of Engineering and Technology.</b>	<b>Coimbatore</b>	<b>Internet of Things</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Foundation for Innovation &amp; Research at SASTRA – TBI set up at SASTRA Deemed to be University.</b>	<b>Thanjavur</b>	<b>Internet of Things (IoT)</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>11.</b>	<b>Nehru Group of Institutions Technology Business Incubator set up at Nehru Group of Institutions.</b>	<b>Coimbatore</b>	<b>Healthcare and Internet of Things</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>12.</b>	<b>Periyar Technology Business Incubator set up at Periyar Maniammai Institute of Science &amp; Technology.</b>	<b>Thanjavur</b>	<b>Biotechnology</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>13.</b>	<b>Nanotechnology Research, Innovation and Incubation Centre (NRIIC) set up at PSG College of Technology</b>	<b>Coimbatore</b>	<b>Advance Technologies - Smart Textiles, Plastic Electronics, Energy &amp; Health Care</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>14.</b>	<b>Society of Sathyabama University - Technology</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Marine Bioresource</b>	<b>DST</b>

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	<b>Business Incubator set up at Sathyabama Institute of Science and Technology.</b>		<b>Utilization, Engineering &amp; Technologies and Waste Management</b>	
<b>15.</b>	<b>St.Peter's Engineering College - Technology Business Incubator set up at Peter's Engineering College</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Refrigeration and Cold chain</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>16.</b>	<b>TCE- Technology Business Incubator (TCE-TBI) set up at Thiagarajar College of Engineering.</b>	<b>Madurai</b>	<b>Advanced materials and manufacturing, Automation, Internet of Things, Wireless technologies</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>17.</b>	<b>Technology Business Incubator (TBI) set up at University of Madras.</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Emerging technologies like, artificial intelligence/machine learning (AI/ML), information and communication technology, electronics etc.</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>18.</b>	<b>Technology Business Incubator @ Kongu Engineering College (TBI@KEC) setup at Kongu Engineering College</b>	<b>Erode</b>	<b>Electronics, ICT, IoT</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>19.</b>	<b>Vellore Institute of Technology-Technology Business Incubator (VITTBI), set up at Vellore Institute of Technology.</b>	<b>Vellore</b>	<b>Emerging technologies like, artificial intelligence/machine learning (AI/ML), blockchain, ICT, Biotechnology, IoT, Robotics etc.</b>	<b>DST &amp; MeitY</b>
<b>20.</b>	<b>Villgro Innovations Foundation, set up at Indian Institute of</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Product Design, Process Design, Manufacturing,</b>	<b>DST &amp; DBT</b>

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	<b>Technology, Madras (IIT Madras) Research Park</b>		<b>e-Mobility, environment etc.</b>	
<b>21.</b>	<b>Bharath Technology Business Incubator et up at Bharath Institute of Higher Education and Research</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Product Design, Process Design, Manufacturing, e-Mobility</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>22.</b>	<b>PSG CT - Science and Technology Entrepreneurial Park (PSG - STEP) set up at PSG College of Technology</b>	<b>Coimbatore</b>	<b>Advance Technologies</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>23.</b>	<b>Vel Tech Technology Incubator, set up at Vel Tech Institute of Science and Technology</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Manufacturing, Digital Enterprises &amp; E waste and plastic waste management.</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>24.</b>	<b>PUB Incubation Confederation set up at Periyar University</b>	<b>Salem</b>	<b>Food Science, Technology and Nutrition, SDG, Industry 4.0</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>25.</b>	<b>KR Innovation Centre set up at National Engineering College</b>	<b>Thoothukudi</b>	<b>IoT waste to wealth, and Circular Economy.</b>	<b>DST</b>
<b>26.</b>	<b>BioNEST-IIT Madras Research Park set up at IIT Madras Research Park</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Biotech and Life Sciences</b>	<b>DBT</b>
<b>27.</b>	<b>BioNEST-Healthcare Technology Innovation Centre (HTIC) MedTech Incubator set up at Indian Institute of Technology, Madras</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>MedTech</b>	<b>DBT</b>
<b>28.</b>	<b>BioNEST-Golden Jubilee Women Biotech Park, located at Siruseri</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Biotech and life sciences</b>	<b>DBT</b>
<b>29.</b>	<b>BioNEST PSG-Science &amp; Technology Entrepreneurial Park set up at PSG College of Technology</b>	<b>Coimbatore</b>	<b>Biotech and life sciences</b>	<b>DBT</b>
<b>30.</b>	<b>BioNEST-Vellore Institute of Technology-</b>	<b>Vellore</b>	<b>Medical devices and health care</b>	<b>DBT</b>

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	<b>Technology Business Incubator (VIT-TBI) set up at Vellore Institute of Technology</b>			
<b>31.</b>	<b>BioNEST-Crescent Innovation &amp; Incubation Council set up at B. S. Abdur Rahman Crescent Institute of Science &amp; Technology</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Biotech and life sciences</b>	<b>DBT</b>
<b>32.</b>	<b>BioNEST- Veterinary Incubation Foundation set up at Tamil Nadu Veterinary and Animal Sciences University (TANUVAS)</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Veterinary Sciences</b>	<b>DBT</b>
<b>33.</b>	<b>BioNEST-Sri Ramachandra BIRAC-BIONEST Bioincubator Trust set up at Sri Ramachandra Institute of Higher Education and Research</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Healthcare</b>	<b>DBT</b>
<b>34.</b>	<b>BioNEST-SRM Medical College Hospital and Research Centre set up at SRM Institute of Science and Technology</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Med-tech, Biotech and life sciences</b>	<b>DBT</b>
<b>35.</b>	<b>Healthcare Technology and Innovation Centre (HTIC) set up at Indian Institute of Technology, Madras</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Mother &amp; Child Healthcare, Ageing and Health</b>	<b>DBT</b>
<b>36.</b>	<b>PSG-Science &amp; Technology Entrepreneurial Park (PSG-STEP) set up at PSG College of Technology</b>	<b>Coimbatore</b>	<b>Ageing and Health, Waste to Value</b>	<b>DBT</b>
<b>37.</b>	<b>TICEL Biotech Park set up at CSIR Road, Taramani</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Providing infrastructural facility for Biotechnology/ Pharmaceutical research &amp;</b>	<b>DBT</b>

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			<b>development activities</b>	
<b>38.</b>	<b>FORGE Accelerator (Coimbatore Innovation Business Incubator) set up at Kumaraguru College of Technology.</b>	<b>Coimbatore</b>	<b>Emerging Technologies such as IoT, AI, Block-chain, Robotics etc.</b>	<b>MeitY</b>
<b>39.</b>	<b>PSG Science and Technology Entrepreneurial Park (PSG-STEP) set up at PSG College of Technology</b>	<b>Coimbatore</b>	<b>Emerging Technologies such as IoT, AI, Block-chain, Robotics etc.</b>	<b>MeitY</b>
<b>40.</b>	<b>IITM Incubation Cell (IIT Madras Incubation Cell) set up at Indian Institute of Technology, Madras</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Emerging Technologies such as IoT, AI, Block-chain, Robotics etc.</b>	<b>MeitY</b>
<b>41.</b>	<b>OASYS Institute of Technology set up at Anna University Regional Campus</b>	<b>Tiruchirapalli</b>	<b>Emerging Technologies such as IoT, AI, Block-chain, Robotics etc.</b>	<b>MeitY</b>
<b>42.</b>	<b>Vel Tech Technology Business Incubator set up at Vel Tech Institute of Science and Technology</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Emerging Technologies such as IoT, AI, Block-chain, Robotics etc.</b>	<b>MeitY</b>
<b>43.</b>	<b>The iTamil Nadu Technology (iTNT) Hub set up at Anna University</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Nurture the deep / emerging technologies innovation ecosystem</b>	<b>MeitY</b>
<b>44.</b>	<b>FinBlue – FinTech CoE set up at Software Technology Parks of India (STPI)</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Fintech</b>	<b>MeitY</b>
<b>45.</b>	<b>TREC STEP Tiruchirappalli Regional Engineering College Science and Technology Entrepreneurs Park, set up at National Institute of Technology (NIT) Campus.</b>	<b>Tiruchirappalli</b>	<b>Manufacturing, Sector Agnostic</b>	<b>NITI Aayog</b>

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46.	<b>AIC-NIFT TEA Incubation Centre for Textiles and Apparels, set up at NIFT-TEA College of Knitwear Fashion</b>	<b>Tirupur</b>	<b>Textile Manufacturing and Engineering</b>	<b>NITI Aayog</b>
47.	<b>AIC-Great Lakes Balachandran Foundation, set up at Great Lakes Institute of Management</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Energy, Fintech, Edutech, Healthcare, Agritech - AI/ML</b>	<b>NITI Aayog</b>
48.	<b>AIC - RAISE Foundation, set up at Karunya Institute of Technology and Sciences.</b>	<b>Coimbatore</b>	<b>Social Entrepreneurship and SDG</b>	<b>NITI Aayog</b>
49.	<b>CODISSIA Defence Innovation and Atal Incubation Centre, set up at CODISSIA Trade Fair Complex.</b>	<b>Coimbatore</b>	<b>Defence Technologies and Manufacturing</b>	<b>NITI Aayog</b>
50.	<b>AIC-Anna University Incubation Foundation, set up at Anna University</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>Sector Agnostic</b>	<b>NITI Aayog</b>
51.	<b>ACIC Mepco Innovation Foundation, set up at Mepco Schlenk Engineering College</b>	<b>Sivakasi</b>	<b>Fireworks, Construction, Health, Agri &amp; Allied</b>	<b>NITI Aayog</b>
52.	<b>ACIC Kalasalingam Innovation Foundation, set up at Kalasalingam Academy of Research and Education</b>	<b>Virudhunagar</b>	<b>Printing, Fireworks, Match Industry, Handloom</b>	<b>NITI Aayog</b>
53.	<b>ACIC Mar Ephraem Incubation Forum, set up at Mar Ephraem College of Engineering and Technology</b>	<b>Marthanndam</b>	<b>Materials &amp; Manufacturing, Automation, Agri &amp; Allied</b>	<b>NITI Aayog</b>

**(b) to (c): No Sir, as of now there are no plans to establish new innovation hubs in Tamil Nadu.**

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