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Accelerators/Incubation – Opportunities for Students & Faculties – Early-Stage Entrepreneur

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Saurashtra University – IIC

The university is dedicated to instruction, research, and extending knowledge to the public (public service). Ministry of Education (MoE), Govt. of India has established 'MoE's Innovation Cell (MIC)' to systematically foster the culture of Innovation among all Higher Education Institutions (HEIs). The primary mandate of MIC is to encourage, inspire and nurture young students by supporting them to work with new ideas and transform them into prototypes while they are informative years. Saurashtra University is one the Organization that have constituted the IIC to foster the vision of MoE and be a part for the promotion and development of innovation ecosystem.

Event Schedule

04:30	Registration Time
04:35	Welcome
04.40	Avvanon oga gogajan hv. Du Vinitainh Chauhan
04:40	Awareness session by Dr. Kiritsinh Chauhan
05:55	Programme Feedback - Conclusion
06:00	Closing Ceremony

Event Registration Link

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Brief about Event

The Smt. R. D. Gardi Department of Business Management, Saurashtra University, in collaboration with the Institution's Innovation Council (IIC), Saurashtra University, organized a seminar on "Accelerators/Incubation – Opportunities for Students & Faculties – Early-Stage Entrepreneur" on 29th August 2025 at 4:30 pm onwards.

The seminar was led by Dr. Kirit O. Chauhan, Assistant Professor, Smt. R. D. Gardi Department of Business Management, who provided valuable insights into how incubation centers and accelerators serve as catalysts in transforming innovative ideas into scalable business ventures.

Dr. Chauhan explained the role of incubators in nurturing startups by offering mentorship, infrastructure, and funding support. He also highlighted how accelerators provide advanced guidance, networking opportunities, and market access to help startups achieve rapid growth. The session particularly emphasized the opportunities available for students and faculty to engage in innovation and entrepreneurship through university-linked incubation programs.

The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from students, research scholars, and faculty members who were eager to learn about available entrepreneurial support systems. The session bridged the gap between academic learning and real-world entrepreneurial exposure, motivating participants to explore innovative solutions and transform them into viable ventures.

The program concluded with an interactive discussion where participants raised queries related to startup challenges, incubation opportunities, and government initiatives supporting early-stage entrepreneurs.

Key Points

During the session, below mentioned points were discussed:

- Introduction to incubation and accelerator programs.
- Role of incubators in providing mentorship, infrastructure, and funding.
- Accelerators as platforms for rapid startup growth and market access.
- Opportunities for students and faculty in innovation ecosystems.
- Support systems available through SUSEC, IIC, and government schemes.
- Importance of bridging academic knowledge with entrepreneurial practice.

Outcome

The seminar proved to be an insightful and motivating session for students, faculty, and aspiring entrepreneurs. Participants gained a comprehensive understanding of how incubation centers and accelerators can transform innovative ideas into successful ventures. They learned about the resources, mentorship, and funding opportunities available at institutional and government levels to support their entrepreneurial journey. The session also highlighted the importance of collaborative efforts between academia and industry to foster innovation. By the end of the program, participants felt motivated and

confident to leverage incubation and accelerator opportunities, paving the way for stronger student-led and faculty-driven startups within the university ecosystem.

About the Speaker/Chief Guest



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