

Content of Announcement for Web-site

NEERI's Startup Connect (NeSt Connect)

On this auspicious Independence Day of 15th Aug 2020, CSIR-NEERI is launching an initiative to connect with start-ups to nurture innovation and entrepreneurship in India. The incubation programme of CSIR-NEERI is also supported by MSInS (Maharashtra State Innovation Society) and select private sector organizations.

NEERI's Startup Connect (NeSt Connect) programme would focus on providing support to selected start-ups with innovative products and businesses models in the field of environment and clean-tech. Under this programme CSIR-NEERI invites proposals from start-ups. Please see below for the details of the programme.

Who is it for?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Start-up companies• Business related to environment, sustainability, clean-tech, etc.• Innovation in technology and/or application of technology and/or business model• Linkages to India in some manner: backend, frontend, technology, residency, ownership, etc.
How are the candidates selected?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stage I: Evaluation of application by a committee of technology and business experts – constituted by NEERI of internal and external experts• Stage II: Short-listed candidates to present the idea / business to committee of experts over a video call and provide any such further details as requested
What would I get if I am selected?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Certificate of participation/selection/appreciation as the case may be• Opportunity to be mentored on technical & business areas identified by NEERI• Potential opportunity to be part of NEERI's proposed incubation programme• For select promising candidates NEERI may also provide<ul style="list-style-type: none">⇒ Access to the NEERI's laboratories across India⇒ Assistance in securing business through introductions, etc.⇒ Assistance in securing funding from various government programmes <p><i>(T&C Applies; Decision of the committee of NEERI would be final)</i></p>
How can I apply?	Kindly provide the application as per the attached format.
When does the application window open?	From 15 th August 2020 onwards
Where do I submit the application?	E-mail: incubation@neeri.res.in

When would I know if I have been selected for the next stage?

- Normally, we let the selected candidates know in 30-45 days of the receipt of application. Please bear with us if there are any delays given the current pandemic situation.
- The shortlisted candidates would be invited for next round of online discussions with a panel of experts and get a certificate of selection / appreciation.
- All other participants would be e-mailed certificate of participation.