Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) is addressing the challenges of building and streamlining innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem in HEIs by setting up an Innovation Cell (MHRD`s Innovation Cell MIC) at All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), New Delhi. Major programs are being implemented by MHRD`s Innovation Cell and AICTE are Smart India ,hackathon, National Student Start-up Policy, Atal Ranking of Institutions on Innovation Achievement (ARIIA) and Setting up Institutions Innovation Councils (IICs) in HEIs.

Institutions Innovation Council (IIC) at the Institute is a unique model based on Hub-Spoke and coherence approach to align with the innovation and entrepreneurship promotion and support programs are being organized by various departments and ensures round the year activities in the campus for effective engagement, learning and practising innovation and entrepreneurship among students and faculty community. Ideally, the Institution Innovation Council is a faculty-led but student centric body formed by the institute with the active representation of entrepreneurial faculties, students and expert`s representations from regional ecosystem enablers, pre-incubation and incubation centres within and outside the institute and work in synergize manner towards to provide a platform to encourage, inspire and nurture young students by exposing them to new ideas and process of resulting in innovative activities &entrepreneurial in their formative years

Since the launch of IIC on November 2018, more than 950 HEIs have established IIC in their campus to drive innovation and startup ecosystem. In due course of time, IIC network has evolved as an efficient and effective platform to disseminate information, passing convergence and collaboration opportunities to IICs to strengthen the campus ecosystem. IIC network is being centrally coordinated by MHRD`s Innovation Cell and managed through a robust IIC portal with inbuilt features of the flexible annual calendar plan for IICs to adopt, monthly reporting, performance measurement, benchmarking, quarterly rating, rewarding and promoting top performing IICs on a regular basis.

With the advent of the new academic calendar, MIC is planning to invite more HEIs to register to setup IICs in their campus and join the IIC network. This registration is only open to set up new IICs and institutes those are already part of IIC network will receive separate registration window to upgrade their IICs as per the new format.

Registration Steps and Timeline are as Follows:

1. Preferable, Head of the Institute (HoI) needs to start the registration by visiting to MIC webpage (www.mic.gov.in/iic.html ) and generate log in for registration.

2. Using above login credential, HoI to nominate a Sr. Faculty from Institute with Entrepreneurial interest as president of IIC and submit for Approval.(Submission of Interest is from 8th July to 21st July 2019).

3. MIC team will review the all submissions and declare the list of approved IICs and send notifications over email with portal login credentials for IIC to HoI and nominated President of Newly formed IIC. (Review and Declaration and Notification period is from 22nd to 31st July 2019).

4. President of IIC will get one-month time to constitute the council with minimum members with roles and responsibilities as per the guideline and plan the activities for IICs. Finally, all this information to get uploaded in

the IIC portal. (Time period for formation of council and preparation for activities is from 1$^{st}$ Aug to 31st August 2019). *Approved IICs will get the Guidebook after they receive approval only.

5. Start of activities by IIC and monthly submission of reports for the activities undertaken and receiving a rating of IICs on every quarter and recognition, rewards/incentives based on their level of efforts and performances in various activities.  Please submit your application at the earliest.

PFA: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LtMComNtbX4o4wZyHV_NR83se_lVV3MX/view?usp=sharing