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New Year-2026 Greetings from NaaViC, ICAR-NIVEDI

'Artificial intelligence (AI)' driven technologies are revolutionizing every sector including agriculture and allied sectors globally. In a recently held, AI Impact Summit-2026 at New Delhi, the Government of India (GoI) outlined India's "whole-of-nation" AI strategy, describing plans to build a "frugal, sovereign and scalable" AI ecosystem, which opens up an ample opportunity for homegrown startups /entrepreneurs. AI in agriculture domain is likely to enhance precision farming by leveraging data from drones, satellites, and sensors to optimize crop/livestock/fisheries health, soil/water management, and resource use in optimal way. In the larger context, AI could potentially impact the health of plant/environment, livestock and humans under One health strategy across nation and globe.

Team NaaViC, in addition to ongoing six flagship program, launched yet another Pan-India incubation program under the name 'SHITIJ' exclusively for the 'Animal Health and Production' under 'Hub and Spoke' model initiated by ICAR, IPTM unit, New Delhi. Team NaaViC acted as 'Hub', a testament for its stewardship in the domain, along with five other ICAR institutes such as IVRI, CARI, NIANP, CSWRI and NRC Pig acting as regional 'spoke' institutes to promote entrepreneurship. This program led to organizing several bootcamps /awareness programs in different geographical regions of India which led to receipt of notable business proposals (>100) in a short period in diverse areas. Further, selected entrepreneurs were trained over a month period through an expert mentor from industry and academia across the nation.

Under grant-in-aid supported startups in earlier cohorts (1 and 2), several were graduated and Team NaaViC continuing to facilitate further growth of their business. For rest of Cohort (3rd to 9th) startups, physical verification, mentoring, and review of their progress as per the milestones were carried out by the Team during reported period and recommended for release of grants. In 10th Cohort, out of 421 applications received, a total of 62 startups (NEST-28; NEO-19 and NUZEN-15) were shortlisted and trained over a month period. Subsequently, 5 seed-stage startups (₹76 lakh), 4 pre-seed startups (₹18 lakh), and 3 student startups (₹8 lakh) were recommended for grant-in-aid support by the SIC. In addition, Team NaaViC conducted more than 6 entrepreneurship development programs benefitting over 300 farmers and rural youth. Team also participated in various exhibition/stalls/ events organized by ecosystem partners.

Marching further, Team NaaViC is also supporting several innovation including AI driven technologies, which are poised to enhances productivity by automating farming tasks like weeding, pest detection, irrigation scheduling, increasing yields, and supply chain management, ultimately reducing post-harvest wastage and promoting 'Sustainable Farming Practices' for 'Self-reliance' under global turbulences.

-Dr. Sathish B. Shivachandra



It is heartening to witness the remarkable progress made by NaaViC in fostering innovation, entrepreneurship, and technology-led solutions in the fields of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Sciences. Through its dedicated efforts in incubation, mentoring, capacity building, and start-up support, NaaViC is creating a strong foundation for a vibrant livestock innovation ecosystem in India.

The livestock sector today stands at the intersection of food security, rural prosperity, sustainability, and technological transformation. Emerging innovations in animal health, diagnostics, breeding, nutrition, precision livestock farming, artificial intelligence, digital advisory services, climate resilience, and value chain management have the potential to significantly enhance productivity while improving the livelihoods of millions of farmers; where the role of innovation ecosystems such as NaaViC becomes increasingly important in translating research into impactful solutions for the field.

I am particularly encouraged to see NaaViC's focused efforts in nurturing start-ups under programmes such as RKVY-RAFTAAR and SHITIJ, and in empowering students, researchers, veterinarians, and rural entrepreneurs to translate innovative ideas into scalable enterprises. Such initiatives are essential for building a future-ready livestock sector that is competitive, resilient, and inclusive.

India's dairy and livestock sectors have always been powered by the ingenuity and enterprise of its people. The future of Indian agriculture and animal husbandry will be shaped by innovators who can bridge science, entrepreneurship, and societal impact. In this journey, institutions such as NaaViC play a vital role by nurturing start-ups, supporting young entrepreneurs, and fostering commercialization of novel technologies that address real-world challenges while generating employment and economic opportunities in rural areas.

I congratulate ICAR-NIVEDI and the entire NaaViC team, its start-up founders, mentors, and partners for their achievements. I am confident that their collective efforts will continue to contribute meaningfully towards the vision of Viksit Bharat through innovation-driven growth, resilient, sustainable and inclusive livestock development, and farmer prosperity.

My best wishes for the continued success of NaaViC and the entrepreneurs it nurtures.

Dr. Meenesh Shah, Chairman, NDDB

Launch of SHITIJ Incubation Program in “Animal Health & Production” with NaaViC as Hub Institute

ICAR-NAIF-ABI launched the nationwide SHITIJ Program under the “Animal Health and Production” domain to promote innovation through a hub-and-spoke model. The IPTM Unit, under the guidance of Dr. Neeru Bhushan, ADG, IPTM unit, designated ICAR-NIVEDI as one of the hub institutes to implement the program, with spoke institutes including ICAR- IVRI, Izatnagar , Uttar Pradesh, ICAR-CARI, Izatnagar, Uttar Pradesh, ICAR-NAINP, Bengaluru, Karnataka, ICAR-CSWRI, Avikanagar, Rajasthan and ICAR- NRC on Pigs, Guwahati, Assam.

The program included a nationwide call for innovative applications in the field of Animal Health and Production, boot camps to create awareness and onboard applicants, shortlisting promising innovations in the domain, and training founders to develop market-ready solutions. The program commenced in January and concluded by the end of March 2026.

a. Innovation Awareness and Bootcamp Programs under SHITIJ

A series of boot camps and awareness programmes were conducted under the SHITIJ Program to promote innovation and entrepreneurship in the Animal Health and Production sector across different institutions by Hub and Spoke Institutes. A one-day boot camp was organized at Pench National Park, where field and wildlife veterinarians participated in an awareness session on 8th January. During the session, Dr. Sathish B Shivachandra delivered a lecture highlighting the startup ecosystem developed to encourage entrepreneurial opportunities in Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Sciences. He also explained the incubation and mentoring support provided under NaaViC for nurturing innovative ideas and cutting-edge technologies in the veterinary domain. The session also introduced the ongoing SHITIJ Program launched under the ICAR-NAIF-ABI scheme through a hub-and-spoke model. Participants showed strong interest in the program and actively engaged through real-time application submissions.



The poster for the SHITIJ Agri-Business Incubation Program features a top image of two scientists in lab coats working with a pig. Below this, a QR code is displayed with the text 'Last date to Apply 08th January 2026' and 'APPLY NOW'. The SHITIJ logo is prominently shown. A section titled 'What we offer?' lists nine services: 1. Mentorship and Guidance, 2. One-Month Training, 3. One-on-One Mentoring Sessions, 4. Assistance for Technology Validation, 5. Market Access / Growth Support, 6. Legal and Administrative Support, 7. Networking and Ecosystem Access, 8. Promotional / Branding Support, and 9. Regulatory / Advisory Services. A diagram of 'Implementing ABI Partners' shows a network of institutes: CSWRI, Avikanagar; NAINP, Bengaluru; NRC on Pig, Guwahati; ICAR NIVEDI, Bangalore; and CARI, Izatnagar. The bottom of the poster mentions support from the ICAR-NAIF Scheme, IPTM Unit, New Delhi, and provides contact information: 080-23093166, naavic.rabi@gmail.com, and www.naaVIC.org.



Bootcamp at Pench, Madhya Pradesh to field and wildlife veterinarians by team NaaViC on 08.01.2026



Promotional and Bootcamp Activities under Shitij Program at College of Agriculture, Chamarajanagar, University of Agricultural Science Mandya on 19.01.2026

To expand outreach among students and aspiring entrepreneurs, NaaViC organized several promotional boot camps in academic institutions, including Bengaluru North University, College of Agriculture, Chamarajanagar, University of Agricultural Sciences, College of Agriculture, Mandya, and the Institute of Agribusiness Management, UAS, Bangalore.

The boot camp at Bengaluru North University coincided with National Startup Day, creating a meaningful platform to discuss agribusiness entrepreneurship and startup opportunities in the livestock sector, benefiting around 50 students.

Further promotional outreach activities were conducted at the College of Agriculture, Chamarajanagara; the College of Agriculture, Mandya; and the Institute of Agribusiness Management (IABM), UAS, Bengaluru, with the objective of creating awareness about the SHITIJ Program and its comprehensive incubation support ecosystem. During these sessions, students and faculty members were introduced to the various dimensions of the program, including state-of-the-art incubation facilities, structured mentoring support, funding linkages, and institutional backing available for nurturing innovative ideas into scalable ventures.



Bootcamp Activities under Shitij Program at Bengaluru North University Campus, Kolar to Final year MSc Students on 16.01.2026



Bootcamp Activities under Shitij Program Institute of AgriBusiness Management, GVK Campus, Bengaluru to third year BSc (Hons) ABM Students on 19.01.2026



Promotional and Bootcamp Activities under Shitij Program at University of Agricultural Science Mandya on 19.01.2026

The sessions were highly interactive and well-received, generating significant interest among participants. The Chamarajanagara program, attended by over 70 students, was graced by esteemed faculty members, including Dr. Doreswamy and Dr. Nagesh, who motivated students by emphasizing the importance of innovation, start-up culture, and entrepreneurial thinking in today's evolving agricultural landscape. The outreach at the College of Agriculture, Mandya engaged approximately 90 students, while the campaign at the Institute of Agribusiness Management (IABM), UAS, Bengaluru reached over 100 students, reflecting the growing enthusiasm and curiosity toward entrepreneurship in the agri and allied sectors.

In addition to these on-ground bootcamps, a robust and well-coordinated digital outreach strategy was implemented. This included targeted email campaigns, as well as extensive social media promotions through the official platforms of NaaViC and ICAR-NIVEDI, including their website, Instagram, and Facebook pages. Visually engaging and informative posters were designed and disseminated widely to maximize reach and visibility.

The Spoke Institutes also contributed significantly to the outreach efforts by organizing a series of promotional initiatives such as online webinars, WhatsApp awareness campaigns, targeted email communication, and localized on-ground engagement activities. These collective efforts ensured deeper penetration across diverse stakeholder groups and geographies.

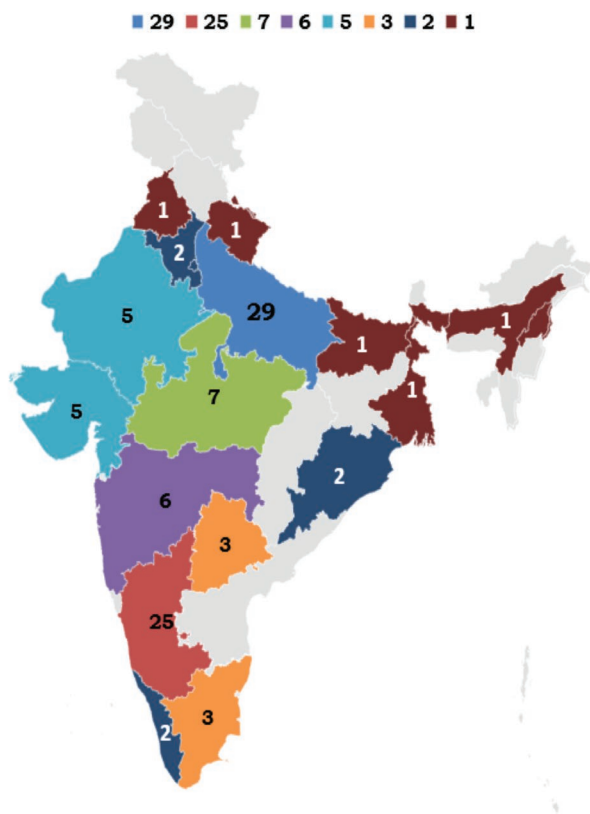
Overall, the combined impact of these promotional and awareness-building activities was substantial. The bootcamps and digital campaigns not only created widespread awareness about the SHITIJ Program but also fostered a strong culture of innovation and entrepreneurship. It is estimated that these initiatives reached approximately 15,000 individuals across various regions.

As a direct outcome of these extensive, well-planned, and targeted promotional efforts by both the Hub and Spoke Institutes, the program has received an encouraging response. A total of 113 applications have been received from across the country, representing a diverse and dynamic cohort of participants. The applicant pool includes aspiring student innovators, early-stage startup founders, and experienced veterinary and agri-sector professionals, highlighting the broad appeal and impact of the SHITIJ innovation ecosystem.

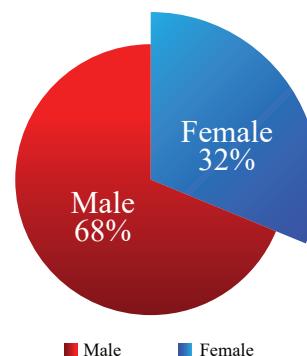


6. Application Trends and Distribution under the SHATIJ Program

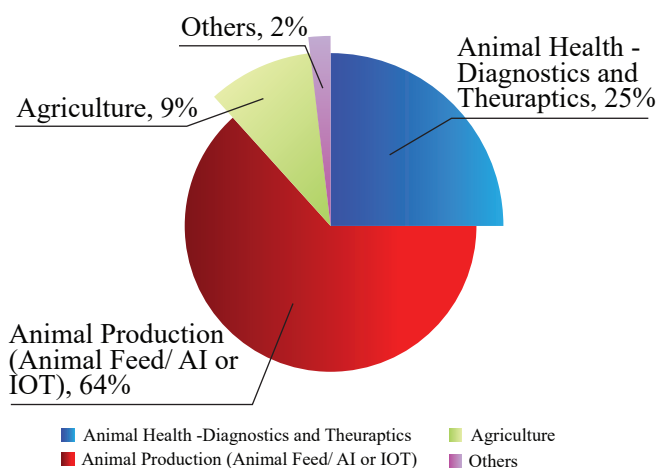
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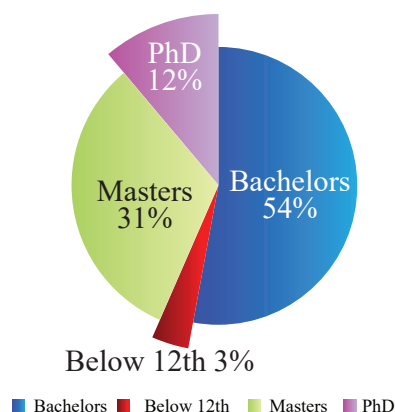
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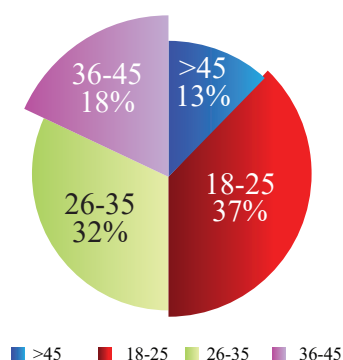
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Educational Qualification



Age Wise Distribution



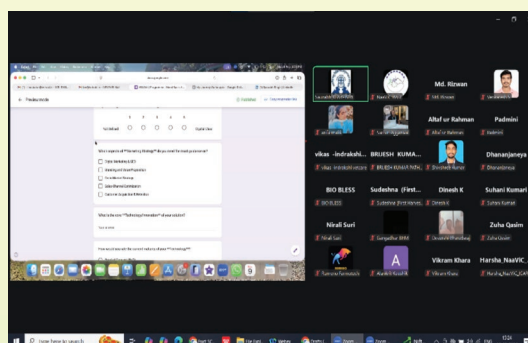
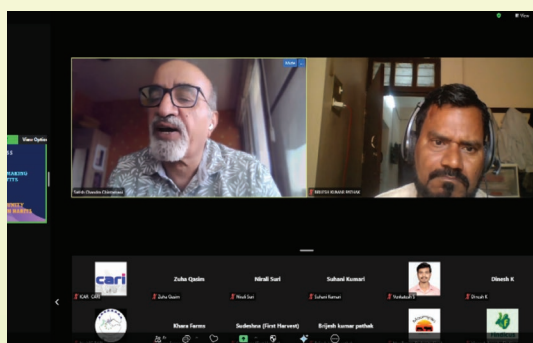
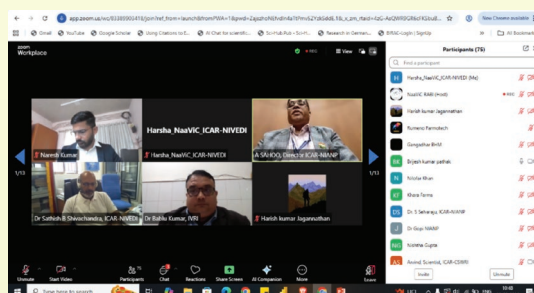
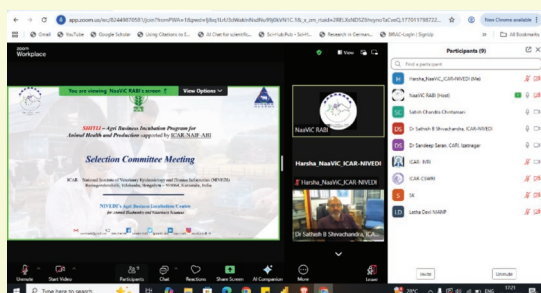
c. One-Month Startup Training and Mentoring Program under

SHATIJ ABI (09.2.2026 to 6.03.2026)

After preliminary screening and evaluation by the Hub and Spoke institutes, 60 startups were shortlisted based on the recommendations of the SIC committee (SIC) between 23–30 January 2026. The results were communicated to the selected applicants on 30 January 2026, and 10 startups were allocated to each institute based on expertise and geographical proximity for one-on-one mentoring.

The one-month training and mentoring program commenced with an Online Inaugural Session on 09 February 2026, attended by Principal Investigators from the Hub and Spoke institutes, 60 startup founders, and incubation team members. The training sessions were conducted from 09 February 2026 to 06 March 2026 daily for one and half hour covering comprehensive aspects of entrepreneurship development and startup management.

The program concluded with a Valedictory Session on 06 March 2026, marking the successful completion of the SHITIJ training program. The initiative significantly contributed to strengthening the startup ecosystem in animal health and production, fostering innovation, and equipping aspiring entrepreneurs with the knowledge, mentorship, and institutional support required to transform their ideas into viable enterprises.



1st Cohort Entrepreneurs

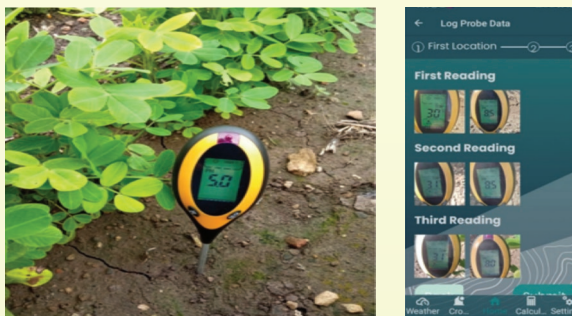
The 4th RIC Meeting was conducted for M/s Magnimous Info Tech Pvt. Ltd. to assess the proper utilization of sanctioned funds and evaluate the overall progress of the startup. The committee reviewed key performance indicators, operational milestones, and financial deployment, and found that the startup has demonstrated satisfactory progress across all critical parameters, performing well in terms of product development, market traction, and organizational growth. In view of the successful utilization of funds, the financial support extended under NaaViC has been formally closed; however, the startup will continue to receive post-incubation support in the form of mentoring, business advisory, networking opportunities, and strategic guidance to support its sustained growth and scaling.

2nd Cohort Entrepreneurs

The 4th RIC Meeting was conducted for M/s Magnimous Info Tech Pvt. Ltd. to assess the proper utilization of sanctioned funds and evaluate the overall progress of the startup. The committee reviewed key performance indicators, operational milestones, and financial deployment, and found that the startup has demonstrated satisfactory progress across all critical parameters, performing well in terms of product development, market traction, and organizational growth. In view of the successful utilization of funds, the financial support extended under NaaViC has been formally closed; however, the startup will continue to receive post-incubation support in the form of mentoring, business advisory, networking opportunities, and strategic guidance to support its sustained growth and scaling.

3rd Cohort Entrepreneurs

For the 3rd Cohort startups under the NEO category, namely M/s Krishi Sai Ekatha Pvt. Ltd., M/s LNS FarmerInfo LLP, M/s CheckAg LLP, and M/s Froots Technologies Private Limited the 3rd RIC Meeting was conducted and during the meeting, the committee undertook a comprehensive review of the progress of these startups, including their operational performance, milestone achievements, and effective utilization of incubation support extended under the program. As the incubation period for these startups has been completed, their progress was closely monitored and evaluated, and they were found to be performing satisfactorily across key parameters. Furthermore, for the startup under the NEST category, M/s Kempman Bioorganic LLP, the committee carried out a detailed verification of progress and fund utilization, and based on the positive assessment, recommended the release of the subsequent tranche of funding to support its continued growth and development.



4th Cohort Entrepreneurs



**VISHWAKARMA AGRICULTURE
PRIVATE LIMITED**



The 3rd RIC Meeting was conducted for the startups namely M/s Bhojpatta Agripreneur Private Ltd. and M/s Vishwakarma Agriculture Pvt. Ltd., wherein the committee reviewed their overall progress, performance, and utilization of the sanctioned funds. Consequently, the funding support under NaaViC has been formally closed for these startups. However, NaaViC will continue to extend post-incubation support in the form of mentoring, strategic guidance, and advisory services whenever required, to ensure their sustained growth and long-term success.

5th Cohort Entrepreneurs

The 4th RIC Meeting was conducted for startups under the NEO category, namely M/s Bhuvicha Agro Concepts Pvt. Ltd., M/s Anandoham, and M/s Dhenukriya Ayurved Pvt. Ltd. The funding support extended by NaaViC to these startups has been formally concluded. However, NaaViC will continue to provide post-incubation support through mentoring, strategic guidance, and advisory services, ensuring their sustained growth and long-term success. The expert committee also offered valuable recommendations and actionable suggestions to further strengthen and scale their business operations.

For startups under the NEST category, namely M/s Green Square Technologies Pvt. Ltd. and M/s Barve Technologies LLP, the committee recommended the release of the subsequent tranche of funding. Notably, Green Square Technologies Pvt. Ltd. demonstrated strong performance and is actively planning to expand its operations across the state.

6th Cohort Entrepreneurs

The NEST-incubated startup M/s Sharon Agritech Pvt. Ltd. is emerging as a key player in farm automation by developing user-friendly and efficient machinery for livestock management, thereby reducing manual labour and enhancing farm productivity. M/s Kalpik Agrotech LLP, a grassroots innovator, has gained recognition for its automatic cow dung collection machine, which reflects a successful integration of traditional knowledge with modern technological solutions and has received accolades for its impact. Meanwhile, under the NEO category, M/s Kodo Premium Feeds Pvt. Ltd. is making commendable progress by manufacturing animal feed using silkworm pupae, effectively demonstrating a sustainable “waste to wealth” approach.

7th Cohort Entrepreneurs

The incubated startups under the 7th Cohort are progressing well and are currently utilizing the second tranche of funding support, with their performance being continuously monitored by NaaViC to ensure effective implementation and sustained growth. Several startups under the NEST category, including M/s Nuvohelix, M/s Nanosentrix, M/s Nutriarc, and M/s Gera-Hyami LLP, are demonstrating strong potential through their innovative technologies and solutions, contributing significantly to the advancement of the agri and allied sectors. In addition, startups under the NEO category are also performing commendably, with M/s Clean PET India Pvt. Ltd. and M/s Zetspire Technologies Pvt. Ltd. showcasing promising progress through their impactful and technology-driven initiatives.

8th Cohort Entrepreneurs



For the 8th Cohort entrepreneurs, the 3rd RIC meeting was successfully conducted to review the progress of the first installment of funding. Based on the performance and evaluation, the second installment of funds has been recommended for the startups. At present, the startups are progressing well and operating smoothly, with valuable suggestions and strategic inputs from the RIC helping them refine their approach and move forward on a strong growth trajectory.



In addition, virtual verification was conducted for M/s Krishjeev Agri Product Pvt. Ltd. and M/s Feroma Technologies Pvt. Ltd. to assess their eligibility for the second tranche of funding. During the verification process, all machinery and operational setups were thoroughly examined, and the founders provided clear, step-by-step explanations of their technologies and processes.

9th Cohort Entrepreneurs

For the 9th Cohort entrepreneurs, including M/s Weather Cast Solutions Pvt. Ltd., M/s Ecosight Technologies Pvt. Ltd., M/s Kombuchiere Pvt. Ltd., M/s Alimentra Pvt. Ltd., M/s NeoElixir Tech Pvt. Ltd., M/s Shankara Water and Energy Solutions Pvt. Ltd., and M/s Chakhyu – BNAC Tech Solutions Pvt. Ltd., the first tranche of funding has been released following successful physical verification. All the startups are progressing well, demonstrating steady performance and actively working towards achieving their proposed milestones under the incubation program.



10th Cohort Entrepreneurs

On 16th October 2025, the NaaViC team visited M/s TechXEarth Space Pvt. Ltd., Bengaluru, as part of its ongoing efforts to closely engage with incubated startups and support their growth journey. The startup is working on a cutting-edge technological solution focused on carbon dioxide capture, along with hydrogen generation and storage, addressing critical challenges related to climate change, clean energy, and sustainable resource management.

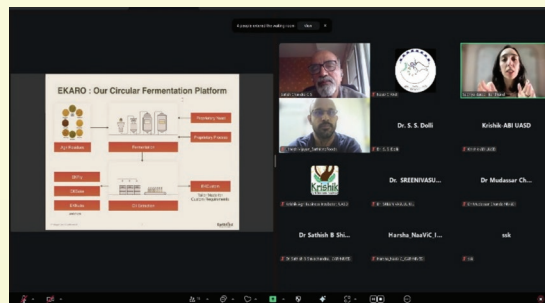
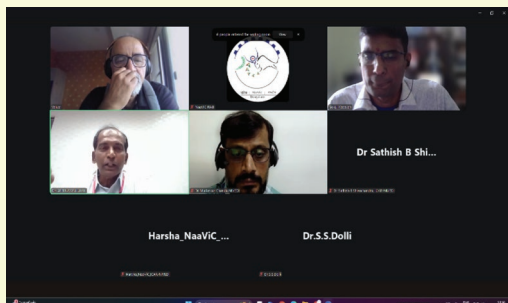
The visit was aimed at comprehensively reviewing the startup's current progress, including its technological advancements, operational milestones, and implementation strategies. The team also assessed the technical feasibility, scalability, and potential impact of the innovation in real-world applications, particularly in the context of environmental sustainability and energy transition.

During the interaction, detailed discussions were held with the startup team to understand their challenges, requirements, and future roadmap. The NaaViC team provided constructive feedback, strategic inputs, and technical guidance to further strengthen the development process and align the innovation with market and industry needs. The visit

also reinforced NaaViC's commitment to providing continuous mentoring, monitoring, and incubation support, ensuring that promising startups like TechXEarth Space Pvt. Ltd. are well-positioned to scale and create meaningful impact in the emerging clean-tech ecosystem.

RIC Meeting @ 10th Cohort Entrepreneurs (13.10.2025, 14.10.2025 & 17.10.2025)

The 1st RIC meetings for the 10th Cohort were successfully conducted under the NEST, NUZEN, and NEO categories on 13th, 14th, and 17th October 2025, respectively. A total of 421 applications were received, out of which 28 startups from NEST, 19 from NEO, and 15 student startups from NUZEN were shortlisted to present their ideas. The meetings focused on evaluating the feasibility of business models, assessing innovation potential, and shortlisting promising startups for incubation, while also providing expert guidance and strategic inputs to refine their ideas for further development.



Team NaaViC Conducted Inauguration of 10th cohort Training Program (25.11.2025)

On 25 November 2025, Team NaaViC conducted the inauguration of the 10th cohort Agripreneurs Orientation program for the NuZeN, NEO, and NEST startups. The Program was Chaired by the Director Dr. B R Gulati, PI-CEO Dr. Sathish B Shivachandra, Co-PI's Dr. Mudassar Chanda & Dr. Manjunatha Reddy G B followed by the external guest of honour Mr. Vivek Mishra, Founder Fibroheal and Dr. Anik Luke Dhanraj, Scientific Advocate & Mentor for Bayer Crops Science. A total of 25 startups shortlisted for the training attended the program. PI-CEO congratulated the founders on making it to the final SIC round and emphasised on the importance of the program to ensure the best outcome for every startup in cracking the final round.

The Director emphasised the Activities carried out by ICAR-NIVEDI and explained how Entrepreneurs can bridge the relevant gaps using ongoing research backed by science. Further, The Director also welcomed the Founders on behalf of NIVEDI for the program. The Chief Guest Mr. Vivek Mishra briefed about his journey of enterprising from idea to prototypes, hurdles faced at the time of scale ups and the lookout opportunities for the startups where the success lies. Dr. Anik Luke from Bayer Crops Science highlighted the support system for the founders available from industry end and how one can avail benefits in collaboration from the industry end. The external Invited speaker Mr. Nagarjun M G highlighted about the importance of Intellectual property for emerging founders and how one can safeguard their innovations in long run. The ceremony set a perfect tone along with a promising start to an inspiring training journey ahead. The platform also led to the mutual networking opportunity across the founders who were present on the day.



KRISHIK-ABI Conducted 10th Cohort SIC Meeting (20.02.2026)

Team NaaViC hosted the 10th Cohort Selection & Investment Committee (SIC) Meeting in physical mode on 20th February 2026 at ICAR-NIVEDI, Bengaluru, along with the knowledge partner KRISHIK-ABI, UAS Dharwad, as part of the RKVY-Innovation and Agri-Entrepreneurship Program. The meeting was chaired by Dr. G. S. Dasog, Member Secretary Dr. S. S. Dolli and other distinguished committee members including, Ms. Bindu Sharma, Dr. Ravi Shankar, Mr. Mahesh Patil and Dr. Satish B Shivachandra, PI-CEO, NaaViC.

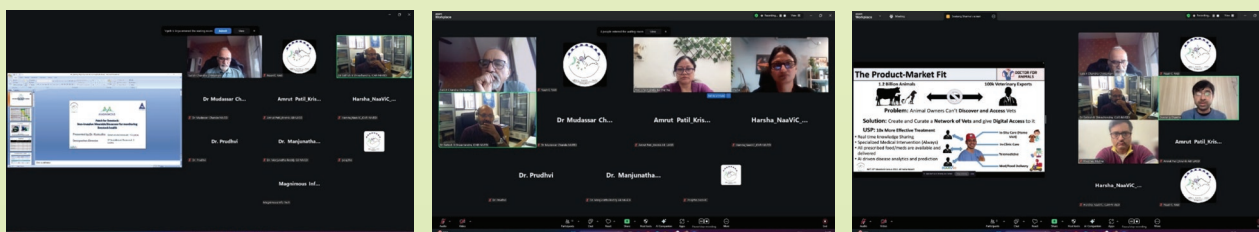
A total of 25 startups recommended by the RABI Incubation Committee (RIC) of NaaViC (10th Cohort) were considered across Seed, Pre-Seed, and Student categories. After detailed presentations and deliberations, 5 seed-stage startups (₹76 lakh), 4 pre-seed startups (₹18 lakh), and 3 student startups (₹8 lakh) were recommended for funding support.



At the Valedictory Session of the 10th Cohort SIC Meeting, Dr. Baldev Raj Gulati, Director, ICAR–NIVEDI, addressed the gathering and highlighted the vision and ongoing initiatives of NaaViC in fostering agri innovation and agripreneurship. He emphasized NaaViC's continuous efforts in nurturing startups through structured incubation support, mentoring, capacity building, and market linkages. He also underscored the importance of innovation-driven entrepreneurship in strengthening the agricultural ecosystem and reaffirmed ICAR–NIVEDI's commitment to supporting aspiring agripreneurs through collaborative programs and strategic partnerships. The meeting concluded with strategic recommendations to strengthen innovation, validation, and market readiness among the selected agri-startups, followed by a vote of thanks by Dr. S. S. Dolli.

“NaaViC conducted RIC Meeting to Assess Performance of Incubated Startups Across Cohorts” (20.01.2026 , 21.01.2026)

Team NaaViC conducted RIC meeting for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 8th Cohort on 20th and 21st of January with the respective startups under the cohorts. The meeting was intended to get the reviews on the funds sanctioned along with the proper utilization monitored by the RIC committee of NaaViC. The startups were liable to answer the committee based on the fund utilization as per the allocated budget, growth achieved in the time frame with respect to the product launch, revenue incurred and the market aimed to close in the near future. This RIC meeting led to final closure of support of multiple startups from NaaViC as an incubator under earlier few cohorts and recommendation of further release of funds under few cohorts.



Due Diligence Meeting by Knowledge Partner - UAS Dharwad (11.03.2026)

A due diligence meeting under the RKVY-RAFTAAR initiative was successfully conducted on 11.03.2026, bringing together key stakeholders to review progress and strengthen the agri-startup incubation ecosystem. The session commenced with opening remarks by Dr. Baldev R. Gulati, Director, ICAR-NIVEDI, who highlighted the importance of structured evaluation and strategic guidance in nurturing innovation. This was followed by a comprehensive briefing on NaaViC activities by Dr. Suman K. M., outlining incubation support, funding mechanisms, and startup progress. Further insights were shared by Dr. S. S. Dolli, PI, CEO - Krishik - ABI emphasizing institutional collaboration, and Dr. P. L. Patil, Vice Chancellor, UAS, Dharwad, who underscored the role of academic leadership in fostering agri-entrepreneurship. The meeting served as a crucial platform for evaluation, knowledge exchange, and strengthening the innovation ecosystem in agriculture.



“Entrepreneurship Development Programs”

“Entrepreneurship in Piggery Healthcare” @ Veterinary College, Hassan (11.11.2025)

On 11 November 2025, Team NaaViC conducted an Agripreneurship Development Program on “Entrepreneurship in Piggery Healthcare” in collaboration with Veterinary College, Hassan. The program was inaugurated by Dr. O. R. Nataraju, Dean of the college along with the invited chief guest Dr. Ramesh, Deputy Director, Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services. The Chief Guest addressed the gathering with the insights on the current scenario of Pig rearing in and around the radius of Hassan District and highlighted on the need of the program. The Dean emphasised on the measures taken by the local relevant department in ensuring the safety for the breeding across the area which was highly commendable. Overall, the dean and the deputy director ensured support to the farmers with the combine force of the department as well as institutes in conducting the awareness camp with the support of NaaViC, ICAR-NIVEDI in the long run under the banner of Agripreneurship Development Program. On this day the manual titled “Entrepreneurship in Piggery Health Care” was launched.



A total of 40 Farmers from Hassan district were part of the program. Further the representatives from NaaViC briefed on the overall Entrepreneurial support can be availed in NaaViC. The sessions also extended on the common diseases affecting the surrounding region, Waste treatment in the breeding areas of Pig, the importance of Health maintenance in Piggery farming, timely vaccination for the Pigs were the major sessions conducted by the subject experts Dr. Nagappa K, Dr. Ravikumar C, Dr. Pralhad, Dr. Sundaresh, Dr. Shilpa, Dr. Veena, and Dr. Krishnamurthy from Veterinary college, Hassan. The insights of the farmers were further brightened post the sessions ensuring the positive implementation of the lectures in the long run.

“Entrepreneurship Opportunities in the Livestock and Veterinary Sector”

@ Veterinary College, Gadag (19.11.2025)

Team NaaViC conducted an Agripreneurship Development Program for the final-year and first year Veterinary undergraduate students of Veterinary College, Gadag, on the topic “Entrepreneurship Opportunities in the Livestock and Veterinary Sector”. The program was chaired by Dr. Ramachandra B. Dean, Veterinary College and inaugurated by the Guest of Honour, Dr. Mallikarjun H S, Chief Veterinary Officer & Technical Consultant VK Feeds and Farms, Hospet. The program was curated to spark the Innovation spirit in the young minds of Veterinary College of Gadag, shaping them into future leaders. The Dean spoke about the importance of Agripreneurship in current days and the need of the hour for the younger generation to be a part of this extraordinary endeavour. The Chief guest, a Veterinarian and a founder by himself brought in the live experience in building a venture, its efforts and its benefits for the nation as a whole post success. On this day the manual titled “Unlocking the Entrepreneurship opportunities in Livestock & Veterinary Sector” was launched.



The team highlighted the exclusive NUZEN student program offered by NaaViC and how it shall aid in supporting the students in helping them convert their ideas into feasible prototype in the short period of time. The program also included session such as Basics of Entrepreneurship, Entrepreneurship Opportunities in Animal Science branch, Entrepreneurship Opportunities in Pre-Clinical, Para Clinical Branches and Clinical Branches addressed by Dr. Mallikarjun, Dr. Shivakumar Redder, Dr. Siddaling Hiremath and Dr. Praveen. A total of 134 students attended the program.

“Entrepreneurship opportunities in Dairy Farming”

@ Veterinary College, Bengaluru (03.12.2025 to 04.12.2025)

On 3rd and 4th of December Team NaaViC conducted an Agripreneurship Development Program on “Entrepreneurship in Dairy Farming” in collaboration with Veterinary College, Bengaluru. The program commenced with a warm welcome to the participated farmers followed by a brief introduction of NaaViC and its modus operandi in catering to the innovation and entrepreneurial ecosystem across Karnataka by Dr. Suman, K. M., ABM, NaaViC, followed by Dr. Shivashankarappa Bhajantri delivering a session on the “different breeds available and the choices to be made by the farmer”. A session on “development of Modern cow sheds” by Dr. Mahadevappa D. Gowri and “Management of Dairy farming” by Dr. S. B. Prasanna Kumar along with “Calf Management” by Dr. Umashankar, B. C. The sessions were followed by the field visit to dairy farms and the feed production unit at the Veterinary campus to showcase the dry feed and vet feed manufacturing. The farmers were also trained under Cattle rearing management along the schemes and support structure from the government for further establishment with detailed estimated project reports. Over 50 farmers were benefited by this program and helped them to understand the minute details involved in dairy farming for further effective implementation of such projects in the near future.



“Entrepreneurship Opportunities in the Livestock, Veterinary Health, and Agriculture sectors” @ Veterinary College, Hassan (25.02.2026)



Team NaaViC conducted an Entrepreneurship Development Program for farmers and rural youth at Veterinary College, Hassan, focusing on Entrepreneurship Opportunities in the Livestock, Veterinary Health, and Agriculture sectors. The program was inaugurated by Dr. O. R. Nataraju, Dean, Veterinary College, Hassan, who emphasized the need to empower farmers and youth through skill development and enterprise creation. Dr. Nagappa, highlighted the significance of the initiative in promoting self-employment and income diversification in the agri and allied sectors.

Technical sessions were delivered by Dr. Ravi Kumar, Dr. Prahalad, Dr. Sundaresh, Dr. Shilpa, and Dr. Veena, covering key aspects of livestock management, veterinary health, and sustainable agricultural practices. Mr. Manjunath, a successful mushroom entrepreneur, provided hands-on training on mushroom cultivation, while Mr. Jayachandra, an apiculture entrepreneur, conducted a technical session on beekeeping and its commercial potential. Team NaaViC also delivered an orientation session on agri-innovation and entrepreneurial opportunities in agriculture and allied sectors, encouraging participants to explore startup avenues and institutional support mechanisms for transforming ideas into viable enterprises.



“Entrepreneurship Development Program in Sheep and Goat farming” @ Veterinary College, Hassan (10.03.2026)

An Entrepreneurship Development Program (EDP) in sheep and goat farming was successfully conducted for farmers at the Veterinary College, Hassan. The program aimed to enhance entrepreneurial skills and promote sustainable livelihood opportunities in small ruminant farming. A total of 40 farmers actively participated in the program. The event was inaugurated by Dr. B. K. Ramesh and Dr. O. R. Nataraju. During the inaugural session, the dignitaries emphasized the importance of entrepreneurship in livestock farming, highlighting how sheep and goat rearing can serve as a viable and profitable enterprise for rural farmers. The program provided insights into scientific management practices, market opportunities, and strategies for establishing successful agri-based enterprises.



“Entrepreneurship Opportunities in Sericulture” @ Krishi Vigyana Kendra, Chintamani, Chikkaballapura. (10.03.2026 to 12.03.2026)

Team NaaViC successfully conducted a 3-Day Entrepreneurship Development Program (EDP) from 10th March to 12th March on Sericulture at the College of Sericulture, in collaboration with KVK Chintamani. The program witnessed the enthusiastic participation of 45 farmers, who actively engaged in sessions focused on entrepreneurship opportunities in the sericulture sector. During the program, participants were introduced to the benefits of entrepreneurship in agriculture, various government support initiatives, and opportunities to participate in upcoming incubation and capacity-building programs. The sessions emphasized the importance of cultivating an entrepreneurial mindset among farmers, enabling them to transform traditional farming practices into sustainable and profitable agri-enterprises. Such initiatives aim to strengthen rural livelihoods, promote innovation in agriculture, and encourage farmers to become agripreneurs.



Agripreneurship Orientation Programs in collaboration with

@Karnataka Milk Federation, (KMF) Kolar (23.12.2025)

On 23rd December 2025, Team NaaViC conducted an “Agripreneurship awareness program” for farmers at Kolar in collaboration with KMF, Kolar. On National Farmers Day, the celebration aimed to create the awareness among the dairy farmers in enterprising and how NaaViC activities empower the farmers to take up business venturing under Veterinary domain in near futures. The team also elaborated on grant in aid facilities available for the cutting edge technologies to be developed in the near future which could benefit the farming community as a whole. Apart from empowering talk from the team, the Veterinary doctor of Kolar Dr. Ashwak Ahmed briefed on the diseases, the precautionary measures to be taken to ensure the safety of the animals. Mr. Ravi, Agriculture Officer associated with KMF Kolar briefed about the feed and fodder and its consumption as per the need to the farmers. Mr. Raja Babu, V., Extension officer at KMF Kolar briefed about the improvisation of milk production with the local breeds and its implication in empowering the local economy. The program successfully achieved its overall agenda by delivering comprehensive briefings from multiple perspectives, thereby creating long-lasting awareness among farmers.



@ College of Sericulture, Chintamani, Chikkaballapura. (10.03.2026)

An Agripreneurship Orientation Program was conducted at the College of Sericulture, Chintamani to encourage students to explore entrepreneurial opportunities in the sericulture sector. The session witnessed the participation of more than 130 students, demonstrating growing interest in agripreneurship among young scholars. The program focused on instilling an entrepreneurial mindset and introducing students to the agribusiness startup ecosystem. Participants were briefed about startup opportunities, incubation support, and grant-in-aid schemes available for students, particularly through NaaViC's NUZEN program, which supports student innovators in converting their ideas into viable startups. The session also highlighted successful entrepreneurial ventures in the sericulture sector, motivating students to pursue innovation-driven agribusiness initiatives.



Strategic Outreach and Industry Interactions by NaaViC

“NaaViC Hosts ASWADAM Women Entrepreneurs for Innovation and Research Exposure” (1.11.2025)



On 1st November, Team NaaViC hosted women led non-government organization ‘ASWADAM’ in the campus. A total of 30+ members inclusive of young kids and entrepreneurs of the organization participated in the event. They were briefed about the NaaViC flagship programs and opportunities for innovation in agriculture and livestock sector. The NaaViC team also appraised the young students about research opportunities in veterinary and health sector by taking them to a short tour of laboratory facility. Further, the team also visited the Lekhana Goshala to understand the challenges in dairy sector and its contribution to the nation.

Showcasing Innovation and Startups at Krishi Mela, UAS Bengaluru. (13.11.2025 to 16.11.2025)

Team NaaViC Exhibited High Tech Stall at Krishi mela in UAS, GKVK, Bengaluru which was held from 13th to 16th of November. NaaViC Witnessed a huge footfall from Various Farming communities, Students, White collar employees, Budding Entrepreneurs, Techies and Individuals with adept curiosity under Innovation and Entrepreneurship. Team NaaViC briefed these individuals about the current ongoing programs and initiatives taken under Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers welfare under RKVY-RAFTAAR and ICAR-NAIF-ABI Schemes and also how NaaViC is at the forefront in empowering and implementing the programs. Team NaaViC also briefed them about various incubation and grant in aid programs and how exactly these folks can take benefit of such initiatives to create their own startups. Startups incubated under NaaViC namely Dhenukriya Ayurvet Pvt Ltd, Weathercast Solutions Pvt Ltd, Nanoscentrix Pvt Ltd, Nuvohelix Pvt Ltd also displayed their products to these audiences.



“Team NaaViC @ Bengaluru Tech Summit 2025” (19.11.2025)



Team NaaViC participated in the Bengaluru Tech Summit 2025, engaging with a diverse ecosystem of emerging Agri and allied sector startups, Technology Business Incubators, and accelerators from across Karnataka. The visit provided an excellent platform to network with innovators, incubation centres, private corporates, and investors who are actively supporting technology-driven entrepreneurship. The interactions enabled meaningful exchanges on emerging opportunities, collaborative initiatives, and the evolving landscape of agritech innovation.

“Team NaaViC @ NASE EXPO, 2025 - UAS Dharwad” (5.12.2025 , 6.12.2025)



On 5th and 6th of December, Team NaaViC actively participated in the National Agri Start Up Expo (NASE) held at the University of Agricultural Sciences (UAS), Dharwad, a prominent platform for showcasing innovations from the agriculture, veterinary, and allied sectors. The expo attracted a wide range of farmers, students, entrepreneurs, startups, and investors from across Karnataka and other parts of India. The event was kicked off on 5th of December with inauguration by Dr. Praveen Kumar Singh, IAS, Agriculture Commissioner, MoAFW, GoI, New Delhi. NaaViC incubated startups had their product displayed in the event. The exhibitors from NaaViC exhibited their innovative products and technologies, gaining valuable exposure and market feedback. The event served as an excellent opportunity for networking, knowledge exchange, and collaboration, opening new avenues for partnerships, incubation outreach,

and future initiatives for Team NaaViC. Parallel events such as student hackathon and investors meet were held on the day and team NaaViC coordinated for the same as per the pre agreement with team Krishik UAS Dharwad. Following day, the event was organized with multiple sessions aligning the Innovation, stakeholders and Startup ecosystem and the event concluded with Vote of Thanks by Dr. S. S. Dolli, PI-CEO, Krishik ABI. The footfall of the gathering comprised huge gathering as per the coordinators which includes farmers, students, entrepreneurs, research scholar's, government officials, industry partners and many more.



“Bridging Innovation and Industry: Startup Exposure Visit to Bayer Crop Science” (8.01.2026)



An industrial exposure visit to Bayer Crop Science was organized for the startups of the ongoing 10th Cohort on 8th of January, 2026, providing them an opportunity to understand the industrial perspective from the world-class innovation ecosystem of Bayer Crop Science and gain insights into technology development and commercialization processes. A key highlight of the visit was the opportunity for the founders to explore Bayer's Entomology and advanced scientific laboratories, where cutting-edge research and practical agricultural solutions are developed. Experiencing these facilities first-hand enabled the incubated startups to gain a deeper understanding of how science, technology, and innovation converge to address global agricultural challenges. The visit also served as an important step toward strengthening collaboration between the incubation ecosystem and industry, creating avenues to support and nurture emerging agripreneurs and technology-driven startups.



“Team NaaViC @ 8th ICC Financial Innovations in BFSI Summit” (9.01.2026)



The 8th ICC Financial Innovations in BFSI Summit was held on 9th January 2026 at Lalitha Ashok Hotel, Bengaluru, focusing on emerging innovations in the Banking, Financial Services, and Insurance (BFSI) sector. The summit highlighted advancements in financial technologies, the safety and security of digital transactions, and the evolving landscape of modern banking. Discussions also emphasized the growing importance of financial inclusion, particularly in extending banking and financial products to rural and agricultural communities. The roundtable sessions deliberated on the future of the fintech revolution, exploring how innovative financial solutions are transforming global financial exchanges and enabling more inclusive and technology-driven financial ecosystems.

“Strengthening Institutional Collaboration for Agripreneurship”

Team NaaViC @ Department of Electronics, IT, Bt and S&T, Bengaluru (2.12.2025)



On 2nd of December team NaaViC Visited Department of Electronics, IT, Bt and S&T. Government of Karnataka and met General Manager of Biotechnology, Ms Apoorva and briefed about NaaViC events. The members of NaaViC has also briefed about the detailed activities being held in the incubation centre as well as the core mandate of ICAR-NIVEDI. The team also invited the General Manger to Visit ICAR-NIVEDI campus in the near future for further fruitful engagements.

Team NaaViC @ College of Horticulture, Kolar (23.12.2025)



On 23th December 2025, Team NaaViC visited College of Horticulture, Kolar and interacted with Dr. Anjanappa, Dean (Incharge) College of Horticulture, Kolar. The primary conversation aimed in exchange of thoughts about the present activities of NaaViC to preach entrepreneurship to the relevant stakeholders where in students are one of the primary stakeholders and empower them in future readiness to dwell in enterprising. The conversation extended for a further collaboration in the near future and to have a deep engagement in the near future among NaaViC and Horticulture college in sowing the seeds of Entrepreneurship.

“NaaViC Served as Associate Partner at KrishiVitta 2025 to Support Agri Innovation” (12.12.2025)



Team NaaViC served as an Associate Partner for KrishiVitta 2025, organized by the Agri Incubation Centre, on 12th December, 2025 at University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru, playing a pivotal role in fostering the next generation of agri-entrepreneurs. The event provided a dynamic platform for startups to pitch their innovative solutions to investors, while also facilitating meaningful networking with mentors, industry experts, and potential collaborators. Through interactive sessions and guidance, NaaViC helped bridge the gap between ideas and investment, empowering startups to scale their ventures and contribute to India's agri-innovation ecosystem.

“Team NaaViC @ SAMARTH, 2026 (19.03.2026,20.03.2026)



Team NaaViC participated in SAMARTH 26 – “Empowering the Incubators” at New Delhi, an enriching program that brought together incubation leaders, experts, and practitioners from across the country to strengthen the innovation ecosystem. The program was inaugurated by Dr. Nahin Kumar Roy, CGM, NABARD, who emphasized the importance of incubation in promoting rural entrepreneurship and inclusive growth. Dr. C. Vishwanathan, in his opening remarks, highlighted sustainability and the vision of Vikshit Bharat, while the session was presided over by Dr. Ch. Srinivasa Rao, Director, ICAR-IARI, underscoring the role of institutions in nurturing innovation. The first day featured experience-sharing sessions by Knowledge Partners (KPs) and insightful guest lectures on best practices in incubation. On the second day, the program continued with expert sessions followed by experience-sharing by RABIs, where Team NaaViC presented its initiatives and best practices, facilitating meaningful knowledge exchange. The program concluded with a valedictory address by Dr. C. Vishwanathan, followed by certificate distribution and the team’s return to Bengaluru, with valuable learnings, strengthened networks, and renewed motivation to further enhance incubation activities.



Exposure Visit of Coffee Board Students to NaaViC on Agripreneurship and Incubation (24.03.2026)



Diploma students of Coffee Estate Management from the Coffee Board, Bengaluru, visited NaaViC on 24th March, 2026 as part of an exposure program aimed at understanding the startup ecosystem in agriculture and allied sectors. Team NaaViC provided a comprehensive overview of its incubation activities, funding opportunities, and support mechanisms available for aspiring entrepreneurs. The session also highlighted several startup success stories and innovative business models in the coffee sector, offering students practical insights into value addition and enterprise development. The students displayed great enthusiasm, actively engaging in discussions and demonstrating a strong entrepreneurial mindset. The visit served as a meaningful platform to inspire and equip future agripreneurs with knowledge and opportunities in the coffee value chain.

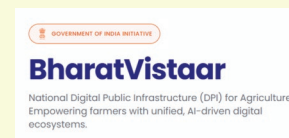


“Bites of Business: Stay Ahead Stay Informed”

GOI launches BHARAT- VISTAAR for Agricultural Advisory Services

The Government of India has launched Bharat-Vistaar (Virtually Integrated System to Access Agricultural Resources) in the recent Union Budget 2026-2027, an AI-powered, voice-first, multilingual Digital Public Infrastructure platform aimed at transforming agricultural advisory services. The platform is designed to provide farmers with reliable, real-time, and location-specific personalized agricultural guidance while enabling seamless access to a wide range of allied agricultural and support services. By integrating advanced technologies with farmer-centric communication, Bharat-Vistaar seeks to enhance decision-making, improve productivity, and strengthen the overall agricultural ecosystem.

Source: <https://vistaar.da.gov.in>



Startup India Completes a Decade of Driving Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Startup India, led by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), completed a decade on 16 January 2026, marking a significant milestone in strengthening India's position as one of the world's largest startup ecosystems. Over the past ten years, the initiative has played a transformative role in fostering innovation, entrepreneurship, and job creation across the country, aligning closely with India's vision of becoming a Viksit Bharat by 2047. During this period, more than 2 lakh startups have been officially recognized under the initiative, collectively generating over 21 lakh jobs. Notably, nearly 45% of these startups have at least one woman director or partner, highlighting the growing participation of women in India's entrepreneurial landscape.

Source: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=2214872®=3&lang=2>



APEDA launches Bharathi initiative to promote Agri-food StartUps

APEDA launches Bharathi (Bharat's Hub for Agritech, Resilience, Advancement and Incubation for Export Enablement) initiative to empower 100 agri-food startups, drive innovation and boost exports towards \$ 50 billion target by 2030 and create new export opportunities for young entrepreneurs. It seeks to drive innovation in high-value categories such as GI-tagged agri-products, organic foods, superfoods, novel processed Indian agri-foods, livestock products and AYUSH products. The initiative also aims to attract startups working on advanced technologies such as AI-based quality control, blockchain-enabled traceability, IoT-enabled cold chains and agri-fintech, while addressing critical areas like innovative packaging, sustainability and sea protocols.

Source : <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=2163196®=3&lang=2>



GOI launches SHE-MARTs to empower Women Entrepreneurs

The Union Budget 2026–27 of the Government of India introduced SHE-Marts (Self-Help Entrepreneur Marts) as a flagship initiative to empower women entrepreneurs and strengthen women-led Self-Help Groups (SHGs) and cooperatives, particularly in rural areas. Envisioned as community-based retail platforms, SHE-Marts aim to provide direct market access to products made by women, thereby reducing dependence on intermediaries and ensuring better price realization. The initiative builds on existing programmes such as the Lakhpati Didi scheme and aligns with the broader objectives of the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana–National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM), promoting women's transition from livelihood activities to sustainable enterprise development. Supported by capacity building, branding, digital integration, and improved access to finance, SHE-Marts are designed to enhance entrepreneurial skills, strengthen value chains, and integrate rural women into formal markets. By fostering income generation, employment opportunities, and financial inclusion, the initiative serves as a catalyst for increasing household incomes and driving inclusive, women-led transformation of the rural economy.



NABARD to Launch ₹1,300 Crore Fund to Boost Agritech and Climate Innovation

The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) is set to reinforce its position as a catalytic investor in the agriculture and rural innovation ecosystem by launching a ₹1,300 crore fund in 2026, aimed at supporting agritech and climate-focused startups. This strategic initiative is designed to address critical financing gaps faced by early-stage ventures and public-interest projects working in areas such as sustainable agriculture, climate resilience, natural resource management, and rural livelihoods. By leveraging innovative financial instruments and fostering collaborations with global development institutions and impact investors, NABARD seeks to accelerate the adoption of technology-driven solutions across the agri-value chain. The fund is expected to not only promote scalable and inclusive business models but also strengthen India's transition towards a more resilient, climate-smart, and sustainable agricultural ecosystem, while enhancing income opportunities for farmers and rural communities.

Source : <https://www.outlookbusiness.com/news/nabard>



“Startup Spotlight”

“Global Trends: Rising Investments in AI-Driven Sustainable Agriculture”

Early 2026 has witnessed a surge in specialized global funding directed towards cutting-edge agritech innovations, highlighting the growing importance of sustainability and precision farming. A notable example is Ecorobotix, Switzerland which secured an impressive \$150 million in funding to advance its AI-powered plant care solutions. The company focuses on ultra-precise crop treatment technologies that significantly reduce the use of chemicals while improving crop health and productivity. This trend reflects a broader global shift towards investing in intelligent, resource-efficient agricultural systems that address climate challenges, enhance input efficiency, and promote environmentally sustainable farming practices.

Source : <https://ecorobotix.com/blog/>

“Arya.ag Secures ₹725 Crore to Strengthen Climate-Smart Agri Value Chains”

Arya.ag, India's largest integrated grain commerce platform, has raised ₹725 crore (approximately \$80.58 million) in equity from GEF Capital Partners. The investment marks a significant step towards scaling climate-smart, market-led agricultural practices by deepening Arya.ag's engagement with farmers, Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), and agri-stakeholders across the value chain. The fresh capital will also enable the company to strengthen its infrastructure and technology capabilities to reduce post-harvest losses at the farm gate and throughout the supply chain.

Source : <https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/>

“AgroStar Raises \$30 Million to Drive Climate-Resilient Agriculture”

AgroStar secured \$30 million in funding in November 2025, led by Just Climate, marking a significant step toward advancing sustainable and climate-resilient farming practices. The investment reflects a strategic pivot by AgroStar to strengthen its focus on environmentally responsible agriculture by promoting climate-smart inputs, advisory services, and digital solutions for farmers. With this funding, the company aims to enhance its technological capabilities, expand farmer outreach, and support the transition toward more resilient and resource-efficient agricultural systems in India.

Source : <https://www.justclimate.com/>

“Vetic Raises \$26 Million to Transform Veterinary Care in India”

Vetic, a leading full-stack veterinary care provider based in Gurgaon, raised \$26 million in 2025 in a funding round led by Bessemer Venture Partners. The company is redefining pet healthcare through its network of modern clinics equipped with in-house diagnostic laboratories and seamless digital booking systems, ensuring high-quality, accessible, and efficient veterinary services. With this investment, Vetic aims to expand its footprint, enhance clinical infrastructure, and strengthen its technology-driven approach to deliver standardized and comprehensive pet care across urban India.

Source : <https://entrackr.com/>

“Union Budget 2026-2027: Key Highlights for Agriculture and Allied Sectors”

- ▶ The agriculture budget has been increased to ₹1.32 lakh crore, with the total Ministry allocation at ~₹1.40 lakh crore (↑ ~5.4%). This reflects a continued policy focus on improving farmer welfare, productivity, and sustainability.
- ▶ A provision of ₹9,967 crore has been made for agricultural research and education, strengthening innovation, scientific advancements, and technology adoption in agriculture.
- ▶ A substantial ₹1.70 lakh crore has been allocated for fertilizer subsidy to maintain affordability of inputs and stabilize production costs for farmers.
- ▶ An allocation of ₹350 crore has been made to promote crops like coconut, cocoa, cashew, and sandalwood, encouraging diversification toward high-value and export-oriented agriculture.

“Visitors at NaaViC”



Shri Naresh Pal Gangwar, Hon Secretary DAHD, GoI,
Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying (6.11.2025)



Mrs. Vinutha Bhat -Jyoti Nivas College (29.1.2026)



Dr. Jagveer Rawat, MD, BIRD Co-operative Forum and
Mr. Rajeev Sapra Retd. IES, New Delhi (24.12.2025)



Dr. Mahesh P.S, Joint Commissioner GoI & Director,
Centre of Excellence for Animal Husbandry (CEAH),
Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying,
Bengaluru (6.1.2026)



Dr. S. L. Hoti, Former ICMR-Vector Control Research Centre Emeritus
Scientist VCRC Puducherry and Dr. Raman, M.D.,
Serial Entrepreneur (4.12.2025)

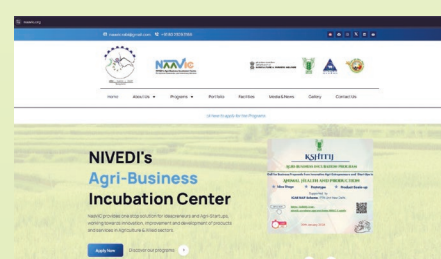
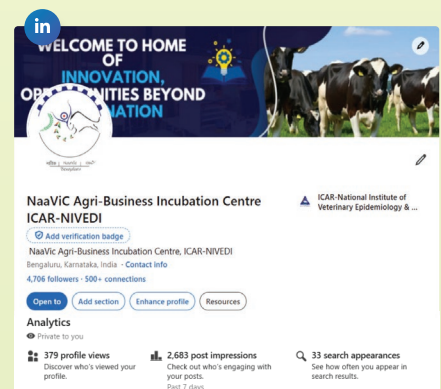
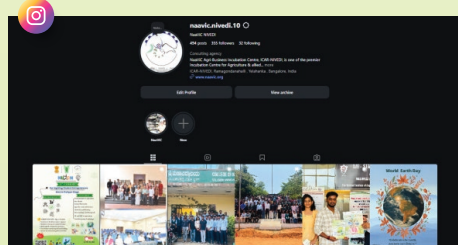
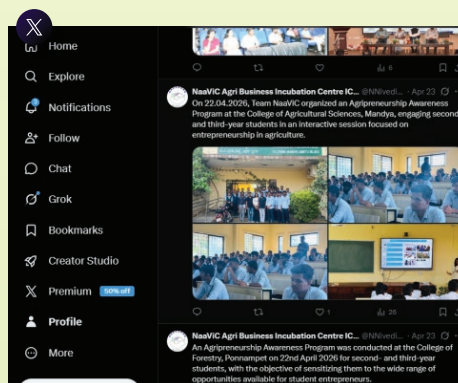


Dr Yashavanth, Professor, IAHVB, (11-12-2025)

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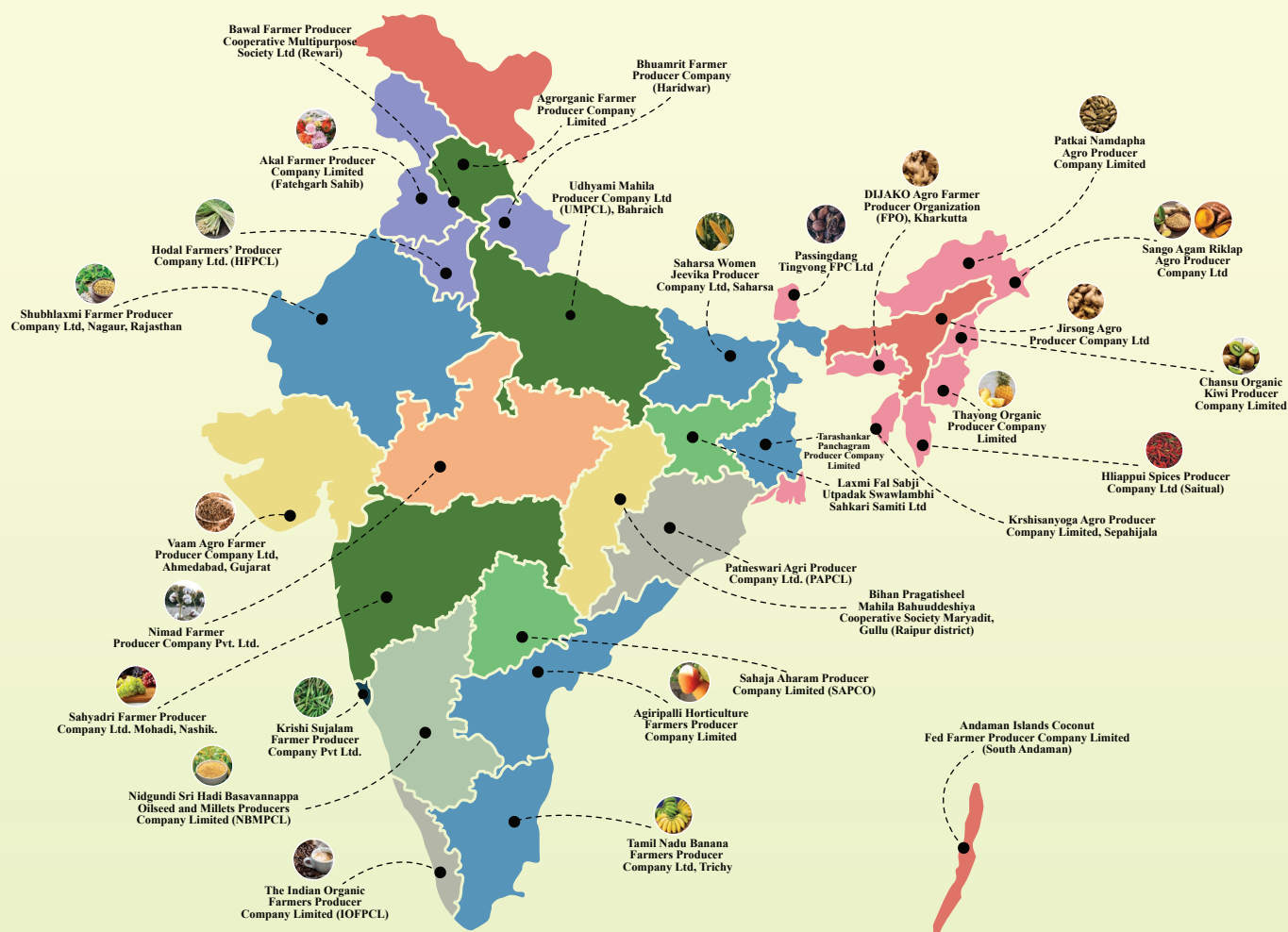
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