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**NOTIFICATION**

**Inviting Entries for  
"Startup Competition-2025"  
(Best Startup Award-2025)**

The Institution's Innovation Council (IIC), Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) is actively engaged in fostering its Students and Alumni towards Atmanirbhar and Viksit Bharat through promoting, supporting and nurturing the Innovator Students and Alumni of IGNOU interested in setting up their own Startups.

As a part of the IIC Calendar Activity, the IIC-IGNOU is organizing a **Startup Competition-2025** for IGNOU Students and Alumni.

All the Students and Alumni of IGNOU who have set up a Startup or Business Venture are invited to submit the details of their Startup or Business Venture for the Startup Competition-2025.

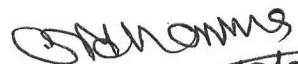
The Startup Competition-2025 will be held in **two Rounds**.

- In the First Round, details about the Startup/Business Venture are to be submitted through the Google Form. The submitted entries will be screened and shortlisted, by an Expert Committee for the Second Round.
- In the Second Round, the shortlisted Students/Alumni will be required to pitch their Startup/Business as per the template provided after completion of the First Round.

Finally, the **Best Startup Award-2025** will be given to the Startups/Business Venture selected after the pitching.

**The entries for the First Round of the Startup Competition-2025 can be submitted through the Link: <https://forms.gle/VUmLw9sj2tidb7MY6> latest by July 31, 2025.** For any clarification, the interested Students and Alumni may contact at email [directorncide@ignou.ac.in](mailto:directorncide@ignou.ac.in).

This is issued with the approval of the competent authority.

  
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