



Centers (TCs) that provide training in areas, such as entrepreneurship, soft skills, and financial and digital literacy | Recognition of Prior Learning.

PMKVY 3.0 | envisages training of eight lakh candidates over a scheme period of 2020-2021 | 729 Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendras (PMKKs), empaneled non-PMKK training centres and more than 200 ITIs under Skill India will be rolling out PMKVY 3.0 training to build a robust pool of skilled professionals.

22. **Prarambh – Startup India International Summit** | Organized by Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry | Over 25 countries and more than 200 global speakers shall participate | Summit will be the largest startup confluence organised in India since the launch of the Startup India initiative | sessions of the Summit are designed to showcase the spread and depth of entrepreneurship based on innovation in India.
23. **Startup India Seed Fund** | set up to provide initial capital to the startups. After that start-ups will be provided with the Govt. Guarantees, to help them raise debt capital | fund would offer financial assistance to startups for proofs of concept, prototype development, product trials, market-entry, and commercialization of products or ideas | offer startups up to Rs. 20 Lakhs as a grant for Proof of Concept. Upto Rs. 50 Lakhs can also be availed through convertible debentures or debt or debt-linked instruments for commercialization.
Fund of Funds for Start-ups (FFS) Scheme → launched by the Prime Minister in 2016 in line with the Start-up India Action Plan | has a corpus of INR 10,000 crore and is managed by Small Industries Bank of India (SIDBI) for contribution to the corpus of Alternative Investment funds (AIFs) which in turn invest in equity and equity-linked instruments of various Startups.
24. **National Startup Advisory Council** | Under Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) | advise the Government on measures needed to build a strong ecosystem for nurturing innovation and startups in the country | Chairman: Minister for Commerce & Industry | council will facilitate public organizations to assimilate innovation to improve public service delivery, promote creation, protection and commercialization of intellectual property rights | suggest measures to make it easier to start, operate, grow and exit businesses by reducing regulatory compliances and costs.
25. **India Innovation Index** | released by NITI Aayog | aimed at providing an effective tool to track the state of innovation at both the national and the state level | Major States - Karnataka has continued to occupy the top position | UT and City–States - Delhi has retained its first rank | North-Eastern/Hill States category - Himachal Pradesh has topped.
26. **Iron Ore Policy 2021** | come into effect from February 10, 2021 | new policy will be updated in the rake allotment system module by the Centre for Railway Information Systems (CRIS) | Scrutiny of documentation by Railways has been removed | Executive Director Rake Movement of Railway Board (EDRM) office, Kolkata which has been sanctioning programmes for movement