INTRODUCTION
There is only one answer to global challenges faced by sectors such as agriculture, health, environment and energy: Biotechnology.

- Biotechnology is new ray of hope for some of the most pressing sustainability challenges facing the mankind across the globe. World is rapidly advancing in the field of biotechnology and to make India globally competitive in Innovation and Industrial growth and be a USD 150 billion bio economy by 2025, India has Developed Biotechnology strategy (2021-25). The strategy is supported by various schemes of Department of Biotechnology, Depart of Science and Technology, BIRAC, Bio Pharma Mission and so on.

- The State Government of Gujarat also, has identified biotechnology as most potential tool for development of knowledge lead economy. Gujarat stands proud as a pioneer in the country for providing an enabling environment which includes clearly defined policies, fiscal incentives and non-fiscal support. Gujarat has a vibrant Biotechnology sector with more than 200 biotechnology companies, Start-up support mechanisms, prominent Research & Development Centres and many Educational Institutes.

BIOTECH ECOSYSTEM ENABLERS OF THE STATE:

- Steady cushion of Biotech Policy 2022 -2027, to attract Investment in biotechnology in the state.
- Gujarat Biotechnology Research Centre providing shared lab facility at concessional rates to startups and students.
- Gujarat Biotechnology University providing post graduate degree by research.
- Savli Technology Business Incubator, one of the top five Public Incubators of the country, with independent and shared work spaces and common instrumentation facilities.
- Biotech Park With Common Effluent Treatment Plant of 320 KLD Capacity.

ABOUT BIOTECHNOPRENEUR PROGRAMME™

Biotechnopreneur Programme™ was initiated by GSBTM in association with EDII in year 2012. The objective of this programme is to develop the entrepreneurial abilities and enhance the skill sets required for entrepreneurship and the training imparted should enable a participances to establish his / her own enterprise. The course is designed in a phase manner for imparting comprehensive entrepreneurship development training to participants and hand holding support for setting up of MSME in well established areas of Life Science and Biotechnology sectors.

The programme was being run as a biannual program, which is a ten-month long customized program, structured for biotechnology enthusiasts. During the program, 4 month classroom teaching is done over weekends. The remaining 6 months, the participants are given time and handholding to develop their own techno commercial projects (Draft Business Proposal).
If your answer is “YES” then, Biotechnopreneur Programme™ is designed just for you.

Here’s how BTP can help:
The unique 10-month custom tailored weekend programme (Saturdays & Sundays only) integrates practical as well as academic knowledge with hands on industrial exposure to ensure holistic growth of participants to support and fund the biotech venture plan. Major features are:

1. Identification of Biotech Business ideas
2. Business Analysis of the Biotech Start-up
3. Financial Management of the Project
4. Grounding of Technology with Business Plan
5. Implementation of Biotech Business Plan

Who should Enroll
Anyone who wants to have an entrepreneurial career in Life Sciences and Biotechnology is eligible to participate in the programme. The curriculum is a combination of practical and academic knowledge covering management and operational skills which would help build strong entrepreneurial career in biotechnology sector.

Career Opportunities
This course will open up avenues in the areas of life science and research, food and beverages, agro biotech and various other domains of biotechnology.

6. Provides intensive training for Entrepreneurship skills and understanding the avenues in biotechnology
7. Guidance from experts, mentors and entrepreneurs from the field
8. Possibilities of Incubation Support
9. Bankable Detailed Project Report Development
10. Hand-holding and Mentoring: Regular meetings with mentors / experts / resource persons will be organised for guidance and Techno-commerical Report

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PARTICIPANT INTAKE CAPACITY
• 25 Participants per cycle
The Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDII), Ahmedabad was set up in 1983 as an autonomous and not-for-profit Institute with support of apex financial institutions - the IDBI Bank Ltd., IFCI Ltd., ICICI Bank Ltd. and State Bank of India (SBI). The Government of Gujarat pledged twenty-two acres of land on which stands the majestic and sprawling EDII Campus. EDII has been recognized as the CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE by the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Govt. of India. The Institute has also been ranked as No. 1 under General (Non-Technical Category) by Atal Ranking of Institutions on Innovation Achievements (ARIIA)-2021, Ministry of Education, Govt. of India. EDII moved on to adopt the role of a National Resource Institute in the field, and facilitated 12 state governments in setting up Entrepreneurship Development Centres/Institutes. EDII's efforts in entrepreneurship training, education, research, MSME development and institutional building have been broad-based nationally and internationally too, with the setting up of Entrepreneurship Development Centres in Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Vietnam, Uzbekistan and Rwanda.

In consonance with the emphasis on startups and innovations, EDII hosted the Technology Business Incubator, CrAdLE – Centre for Advancing and Launching Enterprises in the year 2016, with the support of NSTEDB, DST, Govt. of India.

The first national resource institute in entrepreneurship training, research, education and institution building, EDII has successfully brought about a change in the way entrepreneurship is perceived. The Institute has earned regional, national and international recognition for boosting entrepreneurship and start-ups across segments and sectors through innovative models and by intermediating creatively among stakeholders such as; new age potential entrepreneurs, existing entrepreneurs, incubation centres, and venture capitalists. The Institute conducts a variety of programmes and projects through its 7 regional offices and 23 project offices, under the Departments of Policy Advocacy, Knowledge and Research, Entrepreneurship Education; Projects; Business Development Services & National Outreach and Developing Economy Engagement.

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