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EDII to train Uttarakhand professors in a six-day mentor development programme under Devbhoomi Entrepreneurship Scheme

Ahmedabad, November 8, 2023: The Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDII) to train 22 professors from various institutes and universities of Uttarakhand to mentor students for promoting entrepreneurship development and startup creation. The training programme falls under the Devbhoomi Entrepreneurship Scheme sponsored by the Higher Education Department, Government of Uttarakhand. The six-day programme started on November 5 at the institute's campus.

As part of the programme, knowledge-sharing sessions on innovation, enterprise creation, and schemes run by the state and central government and their benefits, will be held. The training will prepare professors to motivate students in team building and coordination, and help improve creative thinking, design thinking, business model canvas, business plan, startup incubation, funding, and techniques of entrepreneurship teaching. After the training, professors will be equipped to mentor and develop leadership skills among students. Detailed workshops will also be conducted. An action plan will be made for each participant and a presentation will also be made.

Dr Deepak Pandey, Nodal Officer of Devbhoomi Entrepreneurship Scheme and Assistant Director, Higher Education Department, said, "The objective of the scheme is to develop an ecosystem of innovation and entrepreneurship in the universities and government institutions of Uttarakhand in accordance with the New Education Policy-2020."

According to Dr. Sunil Shukla, Director General, EDII, "Fostering Entrepreneurship and startup creation among the youth from different echelons of society is necessary to bolster economic growth and development. I appreciate this endeavour which is aimed at tapping into demographic dividend to promote entrepreneurship with the support of Faculty Mentors. My compliments to Higher Education Department, Govt. of Uttarakhand."

Under the Devbhoomi Entrepreneurship Scheme, a total of 90 professors will be provided entrepreneurship training in three cohorts. For the first cohort, 22 faculty members from various government institutions of Uttarakhand have reached Ahmedabad to participate in this training programme. Faculty members from Almora, Bageshwar, Chamoli, Champawat, Dehradun, Haridwar, Nainital, Pauri Garhwal, Pithoragarh, Rudraprayag, Tehrigarhwal and Uttarkashi are participating. The participants have been selected through the General Enterprising Tendency Test (GETT).



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In the next 5 years, EDII with the help of the trainers under the Devbhoomi Entrepreneurship Scheme, will mentor about 50,000 students, and 15,000 students will be given entrepreneurship training.

After the six-day training programme, a two-day boot camp will also be organised in various institutions in Uttarakhand.

About Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDII)

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-three 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 listed as the Institute of National Importance by the Education Department, Govt. of Gujarat. EDII operates across the country through its seven regional offices and PAN India project offices. It has international affiliates in Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar Vietnam, Uzbekistan and Rwanda. For more information visit: www.ediindia.org

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