



3.3.1 Institution has created an ecosystem for innovations, Indian Knowledge System (IKS), including awareness about IPR, establishment of IPR cell, Incubation centre and other initiatives for the creation and transfer of knowledge/technology and the outcomes of the same are evident

Response:

NIIT University (NU) is committed to supporting and nurturing aspiring entrepreneurs through its **Centre for Innovation, Incubation, and Entrepreneurship (CIIE)**. Guided by NU's core principles of industry linkages, technology integration, research focus, and seamless learning, NU is dedicated to fostering independent thinkers and innovators among its students. NU is a vibrant hub of entrepreneurial activity. CIIE plays a vital role in promoting **student-owned startups** within the University. CIIE acts like a catalyst in the entrepreneurial journey, oversees entrepreneurial initiatives, provides incubation support for innovative ideas across emerging technologies.

CIIE offers support to NU's young entrepreneurs. It serves as an incubation centre, offering guidance, mentorship, and resources to startup ventures. The expertise and guidance of faculty members, alumni, and industry experts are provided by CIIE in mentoring and guiding aspiring entrepreneurs. **Seed funding** is also available, to help startups kickstart their ventures. **Networking events** are organized to showcase startups and connect them with potential investors and financial institutions. CIIE provides startups with access to essential **physical infrastructure and support systems**, including libraries, laboratories, workshop facilities. On demand CIIE offers **business support services** like accounting, tax assistance, equipping startups with the tools needed to navigate the complexities of running a business. NU's fostering entrepreneurship has resulted in the establishment of **more than 15 successful startups** by its students and alumni. Notable examples include **Astra Securities**, a global leader in web application security founded by NU alumni Shikhil Sharma and Ananda Krishnan, and K Manoj Kumar's **startup peerXP**. The entrepreneurial achievements of NU students have been recognized through prestigious awards and accolades, showcasing the effectiveness of the NU's entrepreneurship ecosystem.

The Asian Lens Forum (TALF) was established on 15 February 2014 at NU, to provide Asian youth with a deeper understanding of their rich heritage, while fostering awareness, constructive engagement, and knowledge generation. TALF has organised special Annual Lectures such as "**Five Dreams of Sri Aurobindo**" by **Dr Karan Singh**. TALF has hosted several speakers and associates from different sectors such as Pavan K Varma, former Indian Diplomat and Author, Dr Ashok Khosla, Indian Environmentalist, Leela Samson, Bharatanatyam Dancer & Choreographer etc.

In essence, TALF operates within the framework of the Indian Knowledge System, nurturing a deep **understanding and appreciation of Asian heritage**. It contributes to the global space, promoting values of cultural diversity, inclusivity, and a shared pursuit of knowledge and wisdom, always respecting intellectual property rights. By empowering Asian youth to become informed global citizens who respect and protect intellectual property, NU enables them to make meaningful contributions to the world, fostering cultural understanding and cooperation while upholding the principles of intellectual property rights. The Swayam course, "HSS 411 - Science, Technology and Society" is offered by all NU students. The stated objective of the course is to examine "**science as practice deeply embedded in culture and society**" and syllabus covers "Science policies in India".

A strong emphasis on respecting and protecting intellectual property is given and the awareness sessions are being conducted by NU at regular intervals.

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