## Indigram Labs Foundation announces BIRAC's BioNEST Startup Acceleration Program

An excellent opportunity for pre-commercialization level Agritech/Foodtech start-ups for rapid scale-up, business networking, mentor support etc. ~ Hurry! Last date to apply: 31 January 2021; Fill your form at: http://forms.gle/AZ26RXgRYghYPMPV9~



**New Delhi, Jan 5, 2021 (Issuewire.com)** - Indigram Labs Foundation, a leading Agritech, and Foodtech focused incubator, has announced the launch of the BIRAC's BioNEST Start-up Acceleration Program – an acceleration program for pre-commercialization level entrepreneurs working in Agri-Food domains. The applications opened on 5th January and will end on 31st January 2021.

Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC), a Section 8 'Not-for-Profit Company' of Government of India, set up as DBT's interface agency, to serve as a single-window for emerging biotech companies, has initiated a unique acceleration program to address this issue. The current program is a sector-focused acceleration program for TRL8 (Pre-Commercialization) level startups conducted through BIRAC's BioNEST scheme at Indigram Labs Foundation. The vision is to hand-hold the startups at a pre-commercialization stage so that they successfully graduate to the scale-up stage. The Acceleration Program is designed to provide rapid scale-up, fundraising, market networking, and mentoring assistance for the selected start-ups.

Commenting on the launch, **Mr. Sunil Khairnar, Chairman Indigram Labs Foundation**, said, 'Over the last 4 years, our incubatee companies have innovated and developed successful businesses right in

front of our eyes. We are thankful to them for solving national problems in Agri/ Food/ Cleantech and we had the good fortune of having incubated such success stories during these years. Assisting start-ups in successfully developing and executing go-to-market strategies is a strength of ILF. We are increasing our focus on accelerating mature enterprises in the Agri-Food domain and the program is one of the steps in that direction'.

## **About Indigram Labs Foundation**

Founded in 2015 with its headquarters in New Delhi and promoted by the Indian Society of Agribusiness Professionals [ISAP], Indigram Labs Foundation is a technology business incubator [TBI] with thrust on Agriculture-Technology & food processing, Clean Energy and Automation, Rural focused Healthcare and Education. Backed by NSTEDB, Department of Science & Technology, Government of India, Indigram Labs provides infrastructure, networking, technical, IPR, and financial support to its incubatees. It has collaborations with leading scientific research organizations, academic institutions, venture capitalists, and accelerators in India and abroad. Indigram Labs has so far incubated over 50 start-ups with another 18 in the pipeline. The incubatee companies have generated revenues of more than USD 25 million in FY 2019-20 and provided full time employment to more than 1000 people. Some of the prominent incubatee companies in its portfolio include Intello Labs, New Leaf Dynamics, Agriwatch, Farmley, Farm Guide, and Tractor Junction among others.

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