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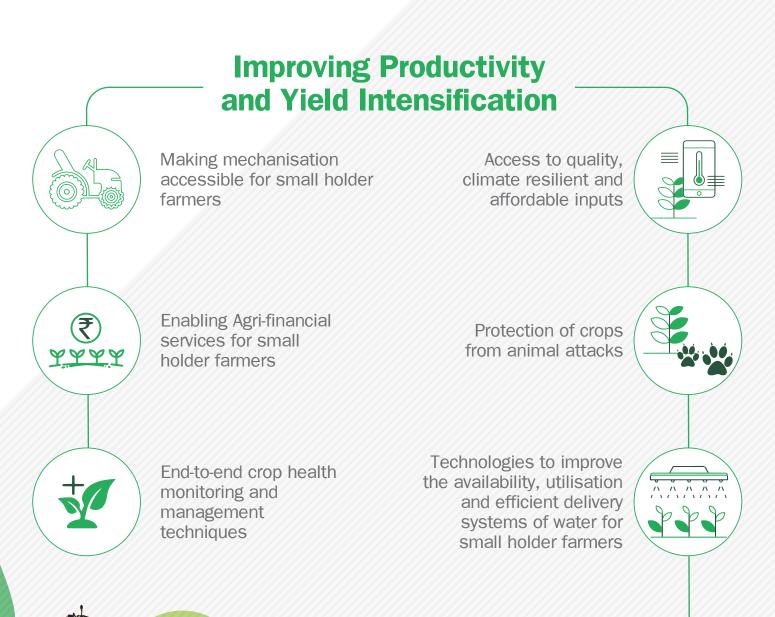


Calling for Innovations to solve these challenges:

Innovative technology solutions for small holder farmers, with a strong focus on affordability, accessibility, efficiency and user experience across the agriculture & allied value chain.

We invite innovators and entrepreneurs

that are focused on working on any of the following challenges faced by smallholder farmers:



Better post-harvest loss management and value-added activities:



Decentralised storage and technologies to improve shelf life of the produce



Value added activities at farmgate for better price realisation



Agricultural waste to value

Enhancing the rural livelihoods through Agri-allied activities



Improving the livelihood of small holder farmers through diversification

Winners of the Agritech Innovation challenge will form a part of one of the following programs:

Incubation Program for early stage start-ups -

managed by SIIC, IIT Kanpur

Venture Acceleration Program for mature stage start-ups -

managed by Social Alpha



Program Offerings:

For Venture Accelerator Program for matured start-ups managed by Social Alpha

Selected Winners to Receive

Access to paid pilots to test and validate the solution in the state of Uttar Pradesh.



Product development support

including assistance with designing, rapid prototyping and design for manufacturing.



state-of-the-art technology incubation centre with high quality labs, equipment for





Access to

refining and testing at IIT Kanpur's Incubator facility.



Access to shared **incubation** infrastructure at Social Alpha or

IIT Kanpur incubation centres at subsidised rates.



Credits worth up to 10 Lakhs

to avail incubation services such as product development support, accounting, compliance, taxation, legal, IP, etc.



Practical on-the-ground feedback from the farmer community, grassroots non-profits, agriculture experts, corporate and government bodies.



Access to mentors and capacity building through dedicated portfolio management.



Access to Social Alpha's seed investment and/or grants funding; and facilitated access to a large investor and donor network.

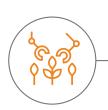
Program Offerings:

For Physical Incubation program for early stage start-ups management by SIIC, IIT Kanpur

Selected Winners to Receive

Access to state-of-the-art technology incubation space with high quality labs, equipment

with high quality labs, equipment for refining and testing at IIT Kanpur's Incubator facility. Labs such as the tinkering lab, 4i lab, bio-incubator, among others, will be made accessible for product development.



Product development support including assistance with designing, rapid prototyping and design for manufacturing.

Access to technical expertise from IIT-Kanpur and mentor access for product development.



Access to shared office space and amenities at IIT Kanpur incubation centres and support services such as accounting, compliance, taxation, legal, IP, etc.

Access to grants such as BIRAC, PRAYAS, PRISM, EIL, BIG, CSR Grants etc. via SIIC.







Who should apply?

Individuals, Social Enterprises & Start-ups.

Inviting applications in two categories:

Track 1

Physical Incubation program for early-stage start-ups -

Product development in progress

Track 2

Virtual Incubation program for matured stage start-ups -

Prototype ready

Important Dates

Launch of Social Alpha Challenge for Agritech Innovations 30th November 2020

Deadline for applications

31st December 2020

Virtual interviews for top 60 applications

January 2021

Orientation launchpad and start of pre-incubation

March 2021

Initial evaluation

January 2021

Jury round for top 25; Grand finale; **Announcement of winners**

Mid-February 2021

Incubation for next 12-24 months: Funding opportunity

Partners



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For more information on the curated problem statements and the application form, please visit

https://www.socialalpha.org/agritech-innovations-challenge2-0/

Please email us at the **quest@socialalpha.org** for any queries you may have.