

PRESS RELEASE

Chandragupt Institute of Management and B-HUB, with an aim to boost the startup ecosystem in Bihar and 'Invest in Bihar' mission, yesterday launched a one-of-a-kind virtual Startup Mentorship Program in collaboration with Bihar Jharkhand Association of North America (BJANA)* and Atal Bihari Vajpayee Innovation Lab (ABVIL) . Under this initiative, a webinar series will be organised on different relevant topics every month under the title Startup Dialogue. This unique program, will provide a golden opportunity to bring Indian startup founders, experienced entrepreneurs and investors from Bihar, Jharkhand and the USA on a single platform so that they can connect, engage, learn and collaborate with each other. Through this program, participants will also be able to benefit from the guidance and expertise of guest speakers.

This special program is supported by Chandragupta Institute of Management Patna, CIMP BIIF, Bihar Foundation, Sarala Birla University, and Industries Department, Government of Bihar.

The program was inaugurated last night at 8 pm in online mode. In the inaugural session Dr. S. Siddharth , Additional Chief Secretary, Finance Department and Additional Chief Secretary, Cabinet Bihar Secretariat, and Smt. Vipra Bhal , Secretary Information Technology and e-Governance Department, Jharkhand were present as Chief guests cum speakers along with Prof Dr. Rana Singh (Director, CIMP), Shri Kumod Kumar (CEO, CIMP BIIF); * Mr. Anurag (President BJANA); Mr. Anshuman Sinha

(Entrepreneur, Angel Investor, Strategist) and Mr. Alok Ranjan

(Founder & CEO of Future Today Inc., HappyKids and Fawesome). More than 100 participants from USA, Jharkhand, and Bihar attended this virtual session.

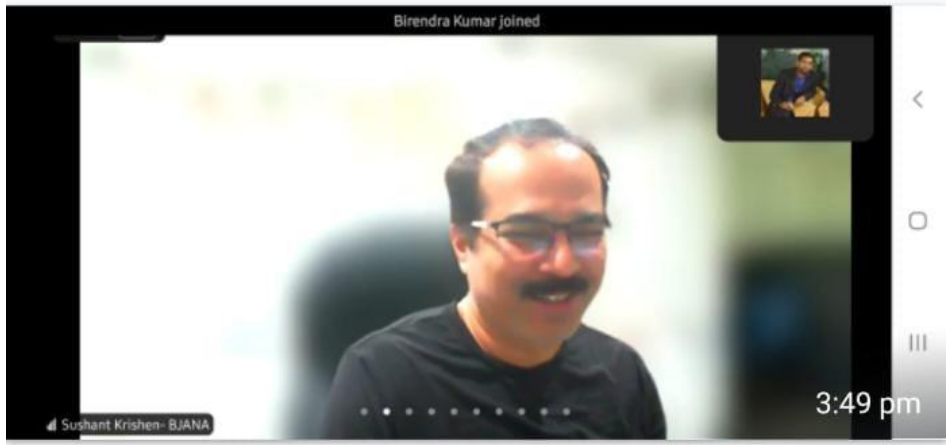
Dr. S. Siddharth, during his address, spoke about startup opportunities in Bihar , 'Ease of Doing Business' in Bihar and the current policies related to startups and MSME. IAS Vipra Bhal, as the second speaker, talked about startup opportunities in Jharkhand and the Jharkhand Startup Policy 2023 which is in the making.

On this occasion, Prof. Dr. Rana Singh thanked Mr.Anurag, BJANA President, for being a part of this unique initiative and assured full cooperation by CIMP-BIIF (Incubation Center) and B-Hub.

Yesterday during the first episode of Startup Dialogue two successful entrepreneurs, Mr. Anshuman Sinha and Mr. Alok Ranjan shared their insights and experiences on startup culture in USA and answered questions put up by the participants. Both Alok Ranjan and Anshuman Sinha described good mentorship as the foundation of startup success. They also appreciated CIMP and B-Hub for taking forward such initiative. During the conversation, they even expressed their desire to invest in good startups of Bihar.

At the end of this session, Mr. Anurag, President BJANA , in his address described this unique program as an important step towards strengthening the relationship and ties between Indian-origin entrepreneurs and startups based in USA and the startup culture in Bihar-Jharkhand. He also thanked CIMP, Bihar Industries Department and Jharkhand Government for coming forward with such an innovative idea.

Speaking on the same occasion, Shri. Kumod Kumar, CEO CIMP BIIF, in his closing address described the industrial policies of Bihar government as pro-startup. On behalf of CIMP and B-hub, he promised to extend all kinds of cooperation to make this program a great success. He also thanked and congratulated all the startup ecosystem partners for extending support and cooperation.





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GUEST SPEAKER



Dr. S. Siddharth
Addl. Chief Secretary,
Finance, Bihar
Addl. Chief Secretary,
Cabinet Secretariat, Bihar

GUEST SPEAKER



Vipra Bhal
Secretary, Jharkhand
Department of Information
Technology & e-Governance

GUEST ENTREPRENEUR



Mr. Alok Ranjan
Founder & CEO
Future Today Inc.
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Anshuman Sinha
Entrepreneur
Angel Investor
Strategist

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