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Genesis by IKP Launched for Early-Stage Deep-Science Founders



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We have launched Genesis by IKP, a funding programme for early-stage deep-science founders at TRL 2-3. It offers up to ₹30 lakh (for 2-3% equity), 12 months of hands-on support, and mentorship from experienced operators and domain experts. Cohort 1 spans across biopharmaceuticals, industrial biotech, HealthTech & AI, and diagnostics, with applications open until 31 July 2026.

Compass: Compliance as a Service for MedTech Innovators Launched

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To help innovators navigate quality systems, regulatory requirements, certifications, and market readiness, we have launched IKP Compass; a hands-on Compliance-as-a-Service offering for MedTech, diagnostics, and health-tech companies. Working as an embedded partner rather than a traditional consultancy, it supports startups across regulatory pathway planning, QMS implementation, ISO 9001 and 13485 readiness, internal audits, and CDSCO and global submissions. Compass pairs deep regulatory expertise with IKP's innovation ecosystem to help startups move from prototype to product and from compliance to commercialisation.



Deepanwita Chattopadhyay Honoured at Times Power Women 2026

Our Chairperson Deepanwita Chattopadhyay received the Transformational Woman Leader in Innovation Award at Times Power Women 2026 - Telangana, organised by The Times of India. The recognition celebrates her visionary leadership and contributions to India's science, technology, and entrepreneurship ecosystem.

CEO Joins AIOS Hackathon & LVPEI Bio-NEST Startup Challenge 2026

CEO Dr. Satya Prakash Dash joined the finale of AIOS Hackathon & LVPEI Bio-NEST Startup Challenge 2026 as Chief Guest, sharing perspectives on scaling MedTech products and the evolution of India's MedTech ecosystem. Karthik Venkataraman, AVP - MedTech Regulation & Quality, led a bootcamp session on integrating regulatory strategy early in product development.



First WLSE Cohort Convenes for Bio-Innovation Seminar

We hosted the first cohort of the Women Leaders in Science Entrepreneurship program, launched by BIRAC - Grand Challenges India with WomenLift Health for a seminar on women driving bio-innovation. 20 mid-career women scientists explored building science-led ventures, from translational research to commercialisation and ecosystem support.

BioXcelerate Celebrates Women Leading in DeepTech

We launched the BioXcelerate Acceleration Program, spotlighting women entrepreneurs through startup pitches, conversations, and the felicitation of the programme's winners. The initiative reflects IKP's commitment to supporting women founders building in deep tech. We look forward to backing the next generation of women innovators as they drive change and lasting impact.



SheLeads Session on "Give to Gain: Her Story, Our Inspiration"

Continuing this year's International Women's Day theme "Give to Gain", we hosted a SheLeads in Science session themed: "Her Story, Our Inspiration," for conversations on leadership, resilience, and allyship in STEM. Speakers included Chairperson Deepanwita Chattopadhyay, Dr. M. Sasikala of AIG Hospitals, and CEO Dr. Satya Prakash Dash, with participants from USP India, ADAMA India, Laurus Labs, Sai Life Sciences, Escientia, and Curia. The session reaffirmed that advancing women in STEM leadership is not just about inclusion but about building stronger innovation ecosystems for everyone.

IKP and CfHE, IIT Hyderabad Announce Biodesign Fellowship 2026-27

On National Technology Day, IKP and the Center for Healthcare Entrepreneurship, IIT Hyderabad announced the launch of IKP-CfHE Biodesign Fellowship 2026-27. The year-long programme combines medicine, engineering, and entrepreneurship through clinical immersion, medical device innovation, and translating ideas into scalable startups. Running from August 2026 to August 2027, it offers ₹40,000/month support and direct mentorship from clinicians and founders.

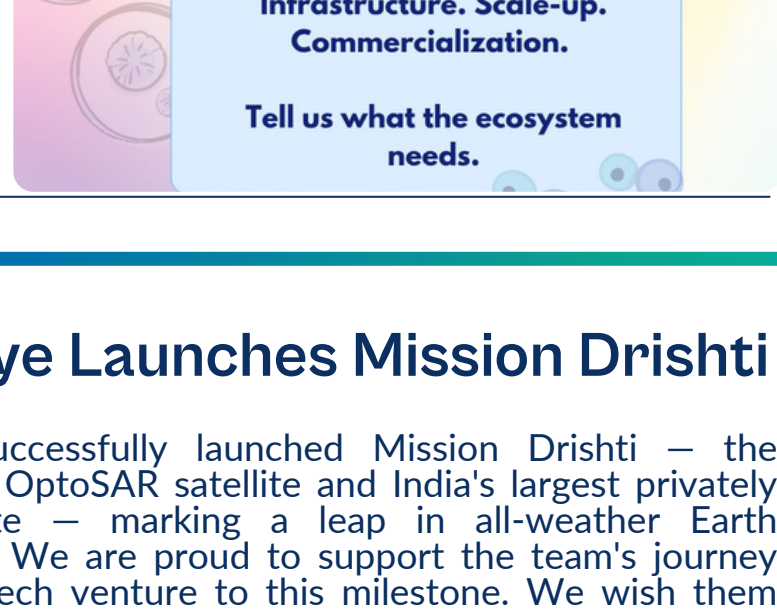


Smart Protein Centre Joins the Indian Protein Transition Forum

Dr. Priyanka Mukherjee represented us at the Indian Protein Transition Forum, organised by The Good Food Institute India at the CSIR Innovation Complex, Mumbai. Discussions centred on collaborative ecosystems, shared pilot-scale infrastructure, indigenous biomanufacturing, and public-private partnerships for India's smart protein sector. IKP's Bengaluru-based Smart Protein Centre looks forward to contributing through translational research and industry collaboration.

Survey Launched to Shape a Shared Biomanufacturing Ecosystem

To help shape a shared biomanufacturing and scale-up ecosystem, we're conducting a short survey to better understand the current and emerging needs of the biotechnology sector. We invite startups, researchers, and biotech innovators to participate and share their insights. Your inputs will help strengthen India's translational infrastructure and inform the development of a collaborative ecosystem that supports innovation from lab to market.



GalaxEye Launches Mission Drishti

GalaxEye successfully launched Mission Drishti - the world's first OptoSAR satellite and India's largest privately built satellite - marking a leap in all-weather Earth observation. We are proud to support the team's journey from deep-tech venture to this milestone. We wish them continued success in strengthening the nation's space ecosystem.

ANSKER Robotics Raises \$5.4 Million in Series A

Our portfolio company ANSKER Robotics has raised \$5.4 million (~₹45 crore) in a Series A round led by IAN Group, with participation from Info Edge Ventures and angel investors. Founded in 2020, ANSKER builds AI-native automation platforms for factories and warehouses through autonomous mobile robots and intelligent fleet software. We are proud to have incubated and invested in the company and wish the team continued success.

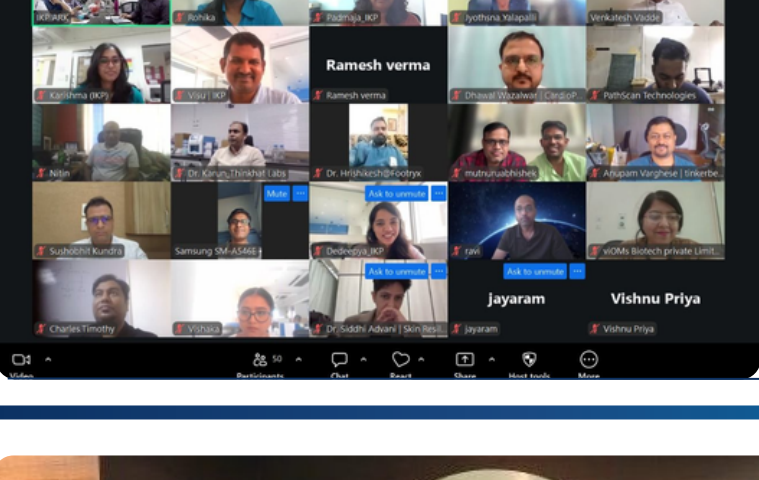


BrainSightAI Co-Founders Featured on Forbes India W-Power 2026

Laina Emmanuel and Rimjhim Agrawal, co-founders of BrainSightAI, got featured in the Forbes India W-Power 2026 list of self-made women leaders. As BIG awardees and IKP investees, they have built AI-powered brain-mapping solutions advancing precision neurocare and surgical planning.

Workshop explores AI's Role in the Future of Life Sciences

In collaboration with Solix Technologies, we hosted "AI for Life Sciences: Practical Applications" workshop, convened scientists, founders, pharma professionals, and AI practitioners. Sessions spanned the value chain - from a keynote on AI in drug discovery to discussions on AI-ready data foundations and the BioES policy's vision for Bio-AI innovation. The discussions reinforced that life sciences will be shaped by the convergence of biology, data, and artificial intelligence.



ARK Roadshow Brings Together Deep-Science Founders

The IKP ARK Roadshow assembled around 48 founders, researchers, and deep-science innovators to discuss building scalable science-led ventures. The session addressed a core challenge - not a lack of science, but the gap in translating research into real companies - and showed how IKP ARK supports founders from productisation to fundraising. Strong participation reinforced the need for focused, execution-driven support for deep-science startups in India.



CEO Meets Sai Life Sciences Leadership

Dr. Satya Prakash Dash held introductory meetings with Sai Life Sciences leadership - Founder & Chairman Dr. K. Ranga Raju, MD & CEO Krishna Kanumuri, and CEO Siva Chittoor. Conversations focused on emerging frontiers in biotech, innovation-led ecosystems, and strengthening India's capabilities across translational research and biomanufacturing. The discussions explored how industry, institutions, and startups can prepare India for the next wave in life sciences.

Sudhakar Sahu Joins as Vice President - Finance & Accounts

Sudhakar Sahu joined us as Vice President - Finance & Accounts. He brings over two decades of experience across finance, taxation, audit, treasury, and planning, with prior leadership roles at Digitide Solutions, Gati, Bartronics India, and ICICI Bank. He will lead the Finance & Accounts function and work with leadership to strengthen IKP's institutional capabilities and long-term vision.

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Hemant A. Joins as Vice President - Infrastructure & Facilities

We welcome Hemant A. as Vice President - Infrastructure & Facilities. He brings over two decades of experience across corporate services, facilities management, real estate, and infrastructure operations, with prior leadership roles at CEAT, Cipla, Whirlpool, CBRE, Sodexo, and Knight Frank. He will lead the management and development of IKP's infrastructure, utilities, and campus facilities while driving expansion initiatives and strengthening vendor and tenant engagement.

Dr. Riya Sarkar Joins as Manager - Strategy

We welcome Dr. Riya Sarkar as Manager - Strategy. She holds a Ph.D. in Life Sciences from THSTI, Faridabad, completed a post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Michigan, and earned her master's in biotechnology from Panjab University. Working with the CEO's Office, she will support initiatives across market intelligence, stakeholder engagement, and ecosystem development.

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