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Entrepreneurship Beyond Startups: IIT Bombay Launches e-Postgraduate Diploma in Innovation and Entrepreneurship

The 36-credit programme aims to develop entrepreneurial capabilities among aspiring founders, working professionals and innovation leaders through academic and experiential learning.

MUMBAI, 10th November 2026: Entrepreneurial thinking is no longer confined to starting new businesses. Organisations increasingly need professionals who can identify opportunities, develop innovative solutions and translate ideas into commercially viable ventures. Whether building a startup, commercialising technology or driving innovation within an established organisation, combining creative thinking with business acumen has become increasingly important.

Recognising this evolving need, the Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IIT Bombay), through its **Desai Sethi School of Entrepreneurship (DSSE)**, has announced the inaugural batch of its **e-Postgraduate Diploma (ePGD) in Innovation and Entrepreneurship**, scheduled to commence on **16 November 2026**, with Jaro Education as its EdTech partner.

The **36-credit programme** covers venture creation, design thinking, entrepreneurial finance, technology venture formation, marketing, sales and strategic leadership. Through case studies, simulations, practical projects and entrepreneurial pitch presentations, participants will explore how innovative ideas can be evaluated, developed and translated into sustainable business opportunities.

Combining **live online sessions with mandatory campus immersions at IIT Bombay**, the programme offers flexibility to complete the diploma over **12 to 36 months**. Participants will also have opportunities to engage with mentors, industry professionals and the broader entrepreneurship ecosystem.

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Commenting on the programme, **Prof. Trupti Mishra, Head, Desai Sethi School of Entrepreneurship, IIT Bombay**, said:

"*Entrepreneurship today extends beyond starting a business. It is about identifying opportunities, solving problems and creating value through innovation. Through this programme, we aim to combine academic knowledge with practical learning, enabling aspiring entrepreneurs and professionals to develop the capabilities required to translate ideas into viable ventures and drive innovation within organisations*."

The programme is open to graduates from recognised universities, welcoming both recent graduates and experienced professionals at different stages of their careers. Upon successful completion, participants will receive an **e-Postgraduate Diploma awarded by IIT Bombay** and will be eligible for **alumni status**, subject to applicable institute policies.

The total programme fee is ₹4,50,000 plus GST.

Applications are open until **12 November 2026**, and the inaugural batch is scheduled to commence on **16 November 2026**.

Programme details and applications:

https://www.iit-bombay.jaroeducation.com/epgd-innovation-entrepreneurship-iit-bombay/

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About Desai Sethi School of Entrepreneurship, IIT Bombay

Established in 2014 as the Centre for Entrepreneurship, the Desai Sethi School of Entrepreneurship (DSSE) was accorded school status in 2020. With a vision to develop entrepreneurs who create a positive impact on society, DSSE combines academic learning with practical exposure to nurture aspiring entrepreneurs. Through its courses and pre-incubation programmes, DSSE has trained over 5900 students, mentored more than 1,120 students, supported the creation of over 430 venture teams and seen more than 123 + startups established by its students.

About IIT Bombay:

The Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, set up in 1958 as the second IIT, is recognised worldwide as a leader in the field of science and engineering education and research. The Institute was granted the status of 'Institution of Eminence' by the Ministry of Education (the then Ministry of Human Resources Development) on July 9, 2018. IIT Bombay is reputed for the quality of its faculty, cutting-edge research, industry relations, and the outstanding caliber of students graduating from its undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. The Institute has 34 Academics Divisions (including Departments, Academic Centres, Schools, Academic Advisory); 29 Research Centres (including Externally Funded Centres and Labs) and 9 Section 8 Companies (includes Society). Over the last six decades, more than 78,000 engineers and scientists have graduated from the Institute. It is served by 770 faculty, including 121 women faculty (plus 241 parttime faculty), considered not only amongst the best within the country but also highly recognised in the world for achievements in the field of education and research. On June 18, 2026, IIT Bombay was ranked 2nd in India and 134th in the world in the Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) World University Rankings for 2027. https://www.iitb.ac.in/

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