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# Himalayan Startup Trek 2018

A platform to learn, network and startup

**April 28-29, 2018 IIT Mandi Campus** 

# Special Address



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# Keynote Addresses



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### 1. WHAT IS CATALYST?

Away from pollution, long commute, noise and other big-city problems, IIT Mandi Catalyst offers a low-cost, peaceful and picturesque destination to early stage startups. Catalyst, a Technology Business Incubator (TBI), in town Mandi in Himachal Pradesh aims to support budding entrepreneurs who intend to develop innovations that would shape the world of tomorrow. Through its support programs, Catalyst nurtures and guides early stage entrepreneurial initiatives by facilitating wide range of support that includes infrastructure, finances, mentoring, and industry connections.

For more info see: iitmandicatalyst.in

# 2. WHAT IS HIMALAYAN STARTUP TREK?

HST is an annual event organized by Catalyst that aims to bring together stakeholders of Indian startup ecosystem. HST 2017 had participation from large number of startup enthusiasts, investors, industry experts and government officials who deliberated on a range of startups related issues. 15 handpicked startups out of over 100 applications pitched to a jury and five selected teams were offered incubation support at Catalyst.

The 2nd edition of HST will have a much larger scale and outreach. In addition to curated panel discussions on varied topics, HST this year will feature 'MVP Boot-Camp' for Idea stage startups, 'Investors' Den' for startups looking to raise seed funds, 'Meet a Mentor' for one-to-one Q&A with tech-business experts, and 'tête-à-tête' with faculty for aspiring entrepreneurs seeking technical guidance.

### 3. WHEN AND WHERE IS IT?

HST 2018 will be held on April 28-29 at picturesque IIT Mandi campus in Kamand valley by the side of river Uhl in Himachal Pradesh



Picture: A morning at IIT Mandi Campus

# 4. WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

HST 2018 will be fruitful to Indian startup ecosystem stakeholders. While the early stage startups will get to learn the rules of the game, operational startups will have a shot at raising funds from investors. Industry experts and government will get to interact and guide next generation entrepreneurs.

Following people/organizations should attend:

- Early Stage/operational Startups
- Angels/VCs
- Industry Experts
- Government officials/Policy making bodies
- Startup Associations/Bodies
- Incubators/Accelerators
- Startup Enthusiasts

Apply Before **O7 Apr 18**https://goo.gl/y29j4u

Registration Fee **Rs. 1000/-** per person

# April 28

#### 09:00 AM

- Inauguration
- Welcome Address by Director, IIT Mandi

#### 09:30 AM

• Keynote by Mr. Hemant Kanankia

#### 10:15 AM

Special Address by Mr. HK Mittal, DST

#### 11:15 AM

 Panel 1: Enabling Startup Ecosystem in Himalyan Region

#### 12:15 PM

 Panel 2: Cracking First Generation Entrepreneurship: Rules of the Game

#### 02:15 PM

 Panel 3: Landing the Right Investor: Is it only about the Money?

#### 03:15 PM

 Panel 4: Technologies of Tomorrow: Technologies that will shape up Future Businesses

#### 04:30 PM

- Meet a Mentor: Speed dating
- tête-à-tête with Faculty
- Startup Exhibition

#### 05:30 PM

- Women Entrepreneurs: Breaking the stereotype
- Bootcamp: Idea to Market

#### 06:30 PM

Speaker Mixer

#### 07:00 PM

Cultural Evening

# April 29

#### 08:00 AM

Pitch to Catalyst - I (closed door)

#### 09:30 AM

Keynote Address by Mr. Sonam Wangchuk

#### 10:30 AM

- Panel 5: Progressive Entrepreneurship: Alternative developmental models and Creating Impact at BoP
- Pitch to Catalyst II (closed door)

#### 12:00 PM

 Panel 6: Make for Customers: Why User Experience matters?

#### 01:00 PM

 Accelerating Product Development: Google Cloud for Startups

#### 02:00 PM

- Investors' Den (closed door)
- Track 1: Blockchain and Cryptocurrencies

#### 02:45 PM

Track 2: Tech Hack

#### 03:30 PM

Track 3: Agro Tech

#### 04:15 PM

Track 4: Clean Energy

#### 07:00 PM

Musical Evening

# April 30

#### 08:00 AM

Trip to Parashar Lake (Optional)



#### **Message from Board**



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#### **Catalyst portfolio**



https://goo.gl/Lq6tfN

### **HST 2017 Highlights**



https://goo.gl/FsKrDy

#### **HST 2017 Sessions**



https://goo.gl/vhNXqH

# **Budding Startup Ecosystem in Himachal Pradesh**

Among the fastest growing states in India, Himachal had at a CAGR of 10.8% during the decade 2005-2015. With per capita GSDP 1.5 times the national per capita GDP, the state has tremendous potential for business activity in agriculture, horticulture, biotech, food processing, clean energy, thermal energy, tourism, pharma and healthcare. Government of Himachal Pradesh, through CM Startup Scheme launched in 2017, is also promoting already flourishing startup culture in the state.

Himalayan Startup Trek is an effort of IIT Mandi Catalyst to boost the startup ecosystem in the state that has presence of a large number of technical and educational institutes.

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We invite passionate entrepreneurs with their cutting edge ideas to make the best use of support being provided at IIT Mandi Catalyst



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