

The [Kerala](#) State Development and Innovation Strategic Council (K-DISC) today launched an ambitious programme for imparting training in [Blockchain technology](#) among students.

The initiative is part of plans to position the state as the largest supplier of [Blockchain](#) technologists in the country, a official statement said here.

K M Abraham, Chairman, K-DISC, who launched the Accelerated [Blockchain](#) Competency Development (ABCD) programme at a function here, said the initiative is aimed at ensuring that [Kerala](#) emerges as a national hub for talent in Blockchain and related technologies.

"K-DISC has set an ambitious target of producing 25,000 Blockchain technologists in three years. It is expected that over 5,000 certified students can be trained in the first twelve months," he said.

On the current challenge the state is facing, Abraham said that in order to survive, the state has to regain its ability to export and create manpower.

Santhosh Kurup, CEO, ICT Academy, P V Unnikrishnan, strategic consultant, K-DISC, Saji Gopinath, Director, [IIITMK](#) and Asharaf, Professor, [Kerala](#) Blockchain Academy, also spoke on the occasion.

The ABCD programme is open for diploma holders, graduated youths and graduating students from Engineering and Science backgrounds.

Through an online outreach, the programme has been extended to working professionals as well.

K-Disc has been mandated to promote unique developmental initiatives of strategic implications for the state, cross cutting multiple sectors, geographies and impacting significant sections of the population.

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