



Weekly Entrepreneurship News Roundup

Curated News for the week of 2nd to 8th February, 2016

National News

PMKVY completes 10 lakh enrolments under Skill India Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), the flagship of Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, on 5th February completed 10 lakh enrolments under the scheme... [Click here to read more >](#)

RBI eases overseas funding norms RBI governor Raghuram Rajan on 1 February unveiled a series of measures to make it easier for startups to raise foreign capital and do business in India. [Click here to read more >](#)

School for Social Entrepreneurs launched in India British Council India and PwC India have jointly launched School for Social Entrepreneurs (SSE) India. [Click here to read more >](#)

Startup contest to be launched as a run-up to Make in India week A contest for startup ideas by the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion & Qualcomm is to be held in Mumbai in February. [Click here to read more >](#)

Ratan Tata to fund startups working on long-term solutions Ratan Tata's private investment company, RNT Associates, is partnering with the University of California's Office of the Regents (UC Investments) to jointly fund startups, new companies and other enterprises in India. [Click here to read more >](#)

States In The News

Assam ~ B-plan contest was announced | "Startup of the Brahmaputra Valley", a B-plan contest was announced at Cotton College, Guwahati. [Read details here >](#)

Telangana ~ 'Entrepreneur-in-residence' certification to help failed start-up founders change course | Telangana government might award entrepreneur-in-residence certificates to start-up founders who try but fail and want to explore other alternative opportunities, including a job. [Read more here >](#)

Karnataka ~ Govt. goes all out to woo women entrepreneurs | With exclusive industrial parks, higher subsidies and even a guidance cell specifically for women, the Karnataka government has gone all out to woo women entrepreneurs to invest in the State. [Read more here >](#)

West Bengal ~ IIM-C's 9th Entrepreneurship Summit organised | The 9th Entrepreneurship Summit was organised on 6th February, 2016 at IIM Calcutta Joka Campus, by IIM Calcutta Innovation Park in association with E-cell, IIM Calcutta.

International News

TechHub and Google for Entrepreneurs expand to India, Latvia and Romania TechHub and Google for Entrepreneurs have announced a global partnership and their expansion that will give TechHub members in Bangalore, Riga and Bucharest access to programmes, assistance and mentoring from Google. [Read more >](#)

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- **Investing time, money and energy to solve India's agricultural problems** - The inspiring account of Vaibhav Tidke, a PhD scholar whose venture develops electricity-free technology accessible to farmers and industries to solve India's agricultural problems. | [Link here >](#)
- **Will Startup India stem the exodus of startups to Singapore?** - This piece analyses the impact that Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Startup India Action Plan is likely to have on the mass exodus of India's best startups to Singapore. | [Link here >](#)
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- **India's SMEs: Lessons for Zambia Businesses** A blogger from Zambia presents this perspective of how India's robust SME sector to provide various fundamental lessons for Zambia's MSME sector. [Read more here >](#)
- **India toughens business visa rules for Pakistani entrepreneurs** A Pakistani publication's account of how India has toughened business visa rules for Pakistani entrepreneurs. [Read more here >](#)

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