



States' Startup Ranking 2021

Why in News?

The results of the 3rd edition of **Ranking of States on Support to Startup Ecosystems** were released by the **Ministry of Commerce and Industry**.

- Earlier, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry released a [Ease of Doing Business \(EoDB\) Ranking](#), which is based on Business Reforms Action Plan (BRAP) report 2020.

What is States' Startup Ranking?

- **About:**
 - The [Start-up India initiative](#) of the Government of India envisages **to build a robust Start-up ecosystem in the country for nurturing innovation and providing opportunities to budding entrepreneurs.**
 - The [Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade \(DPIIT\)](#) under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry has been conducting the **States' Start-up Ranking Exercise since 2018.**
 - The exercise plays a crucial role in easing the business environment for start-ups in the country.
- **Objectives:**
 - Help bring to fore progress made by the States/ UTs for **promoting Startup ecosystem.**
 - **Foster competitiveness** & propel the States/ UTs to work proactively.
 - Facilitate States/ UTs to **identify, learn and replicate good practices.**
- **Classification:** States and Union Territories are classified into 5 Categories,
 - Best Performers
 - Top Performers
 - Leaders
 - Aspiring Leaders
 - Emerging Start-up Ecosystems.

How about the Rankings 2021?

- **7 broad Reform Areas:**
 - The participants were **evaluated across 7 broad Reform Areas consisting of 26 Action Points** ranging from,
 - Institutional Support
 - Fostering Innovation and Entrepreneurship
 - Access to Market
 - Incubation support
 - Funding Support
 - Mentorship Support to Capacity Building of Enablers.
- **Result:**
 - **Gujarat and Karnataka** appeared as the **Best Performers in the States category.**
 - **Meghalaya top among UTs** and North-eastern States category.
 - **Kerala, Maharashtra, Orissa and Telangana** won the **Top Performers** award among states category.

- **Jammu and Kashmir appeared** as the **Top Performer among UTs** and NE states category.



What are the Related Initiatives?

- [Open Network for Digital Commerce](#)
- [Fisheries Startup Grand Challenge](#)
- [Start Up India Fund](#)
- [Policy Reforms for Startups](#)
- [Start-up Cells](#)
- [National Startup Advisory Council](#)
- [Aatmanirbhar Bharat ARISE-Atal New India Challenge](#)
- [AIM-iCREST](#)

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