



# States' Startup Ranking 2021

## Why in News?

The results of the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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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