

**Wadhvani INVENT Program
(Phase II / R&DAG)
Instructions for Pre-Application: PART – I and Part – II**

Eligibility for Application:

Only Indian Start-ups and Small Businesses located in India with 500 or less number of employees can apply.

Important to Note:

- The information provided by applicants will be treated in strictest confidence
- The provided information helps in assessing applicant's qualification to the program
- Only accurate and well-structured answers are needed for all questions
- Applicants can choose "Not Sure" or "Not Applicable", where necessary.

- Answer to each question marked with an '*' is mandatory. Any question left unanswered may become a cause for not receiving an invitation to submit full application.

Instructions for answering Part – I questions:

- Provide answer for each question
- Attachments should be included as PDF

Instructions for answering Part – II questions:

***6. Briefly Provide the Technical Innovation and Status:**

In up to 500 words describe the technology, innovation and how and why the proposed work will help prove that the product or service is technically feasible and/or significantly reduce technical risk. Discuss how this work, ultimately, could contribute to making the new product or technology commercially viable and impactful. Also, discuss how this work, through R&D, meets the program objectives of supporting an unproven, high-impact, disruptive innovation that has potential for application in the market.

***7. Briefly Provide the Applicability Potential:**

In up to 500 words, describing the level of technical risk and challenges in overcoming it, how the proposed product or the technology compares with the state-of-the-art technology. Discuss the developmental stage of the technology, and how the technical work that needs to be done will help in developing a new viable and impactful product or a technological process. Also, describe the commercialization path and the anticipated time and cost to bring it to full commercialization.

***8. Briefly Describe the Market Opportunity:**

In up to 250 words, describe the potential market and the customers that will be targeted. Also describe the hurdles or pain points that you anticipate in the near-term commercial opportunity.

***9. Briefly Describe the Current Status of the Technology Development, Market Validation and Intellectual Property:**

In up to 500 words, describe clearly (no jargon) what has been accomplished in development and validation of the technology and what is limiting its commercialization. What needs to be further developed to commercialize it and has its market established? How has the technology been validated and who are its customers? Is the intellectual property protected? Does the technology require regulatory approval? Are there any hurdles in getting regulatory approval? In opinion, what is the estimated time frame to commercialize the technology and what is the capital need to make it happen.

***10. Briefly Describe the Current Status of the Capital Needs:**

In up to 250 words, describe how much funds have already been spent to develop the technology up to this stage and what were their sources. What are the current and future financial needs and what are company's plans to meet those needs? List third party private investors that have already invested or have committed to invest in the business going forward. Does the company already have a letter of commitment or a letter of intent from these investors?

***11. Briefly Describe the Impact on Job Creation:**

In up to 250 words, briefly describe if the technology will have a positive or negative impact on job creation. Is the technology being developed a disruptive technology? If yes, will it save company money by helping it to cut a number of jobs or will it require company instead to hire more people to manufacture the new product. In either case, please state what kind of impact the technology will have on the number of jobs in year 1, 2 and 3 from the time the technology gets commercialized.

***12. Briefly Describe the Company and the Team:**

In up to 250 words, describe the background and current status of the applicant small business, including team members that will lead the technical and/or commercial efforts discussed in the pre-application. Has the company commercialized any technology or were any of company's executives involved in taking a company from its start-up phase to a profitable company? Also, describe principal investigator's experience and relationship between the proposed project and his or her long-term research goals.

Proposal Number (To be assigned by WF): _____

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Pre-Application for Start-ups and Small Businesses: PART - I
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PART - I: (Business Name, Incorporation Status, Company Officers and/or Technical Lead)

*1. Business Name:		
*2. Corporate Office Address:		
Street _____		
City: _____	State: _____	Pin Code: _____
*3. Registered Office: (Provide if different than Corporate office address)		
Street _____		
City: _____	State: _____	Pin Code: _____
4. Does the company have any other work location in India:		
(If Yes, provide the complete address)		
Street _____		
City: _____	State: _____	Pin Code: _____
*5. Is the company also located outside India?		
(If Yes, provide the complete address)		
Street _____		
City: _____	State: _____	Country: _____
*6. Incorporation Status (select one):		
*Date of Incorporation:	*Place of Incorporation:	
*Company structure:		
*Company CIN Number:		
7. Company ownership - Indian? (select one):		
*Passport and Visa Status of the Company Owner (Check all that applies):		
Indian _____	Foreign _____	PIO card holder _____ OCI card holder _____

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***8. Company Officer- CEO/President/Other officer with signature authority:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>*E-mail</u>
<u>Mobile Number</u>		

***9. Board of Directors: (List all)**

<u>*Names</u>	<u>*Affiliation/Company</u>	<u>*E-mail</u>
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10. *Technical Board of Advisors: (List all)

<u>*Names</u>	<u>*Institution/Company</u>	<u>*E-mail</u>
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***11. Biotechnology Business Focus (select one):**

***12. Principal Investigator (Project Technical Lead / Point of Contact):**

First and Middle Names:	Last Name:	
Position Title:	E-mail:	
Mobile Number:	Landline (with STD):	
Aadhar No.:	Pan Card Number:	
Current Employer:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Pin Code:

13. Title of the Project

(Provide a project title that accurately describes the technological innovation and the focus of the work)

***14. Provide five (5) keywords that best represent the proposed work.**

***15. Please provide names and full contact information (including their designation and affiliation) of up to five potential technical and/or commercial reviewers who have no conflict of interest (Any research collaboration, joint publication, and serving as co-PIs on the same grant, prior employment relationship, etc., over last three years are examples of potential conflict of interest.)**

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16. Attachments:

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*1. Title of the Project:	
*2. Approx. Grant Amount to be Requested (if invited to submit a full proposal):	*3. Estimated Grant Duration (in months):
*4. Principal Investigator (Project Technical Lead / Point of Contact): First and Middle Names: _____ Last Name: _____ Current Employer: _____ Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Pin Code: _____	
*5. Executive Summary (Non confidential):	
*6. Briefly Provide the Technical Innovation and Status:	

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***11. Briefly Describe the Impact on Job Creation:**

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13. How did you hear about the Wadhvani INVENT program?

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