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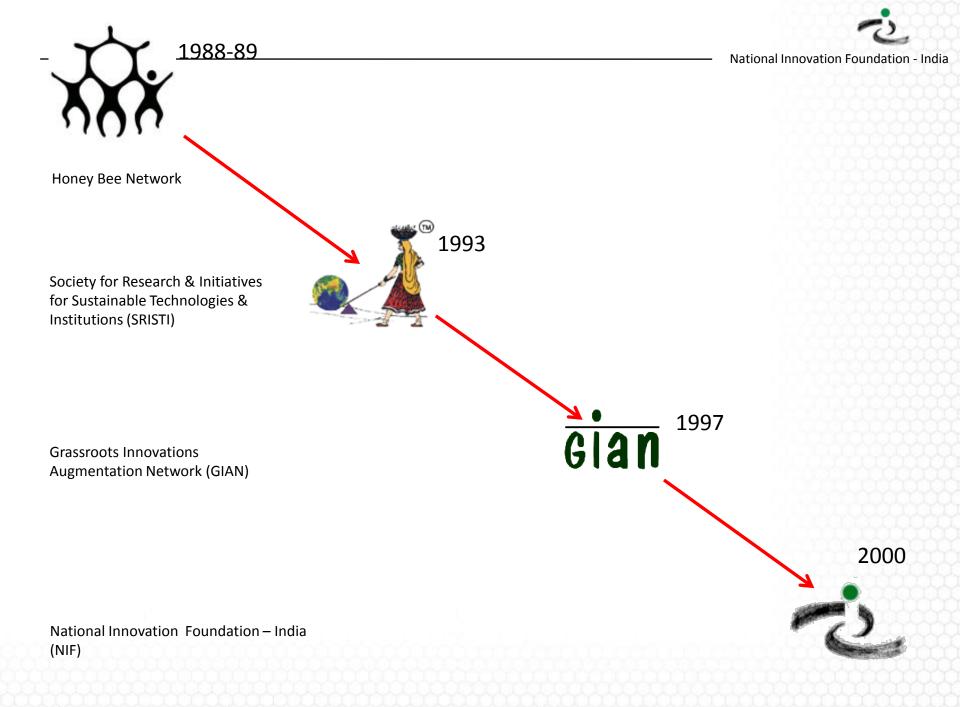
Commitment to three basic principles:

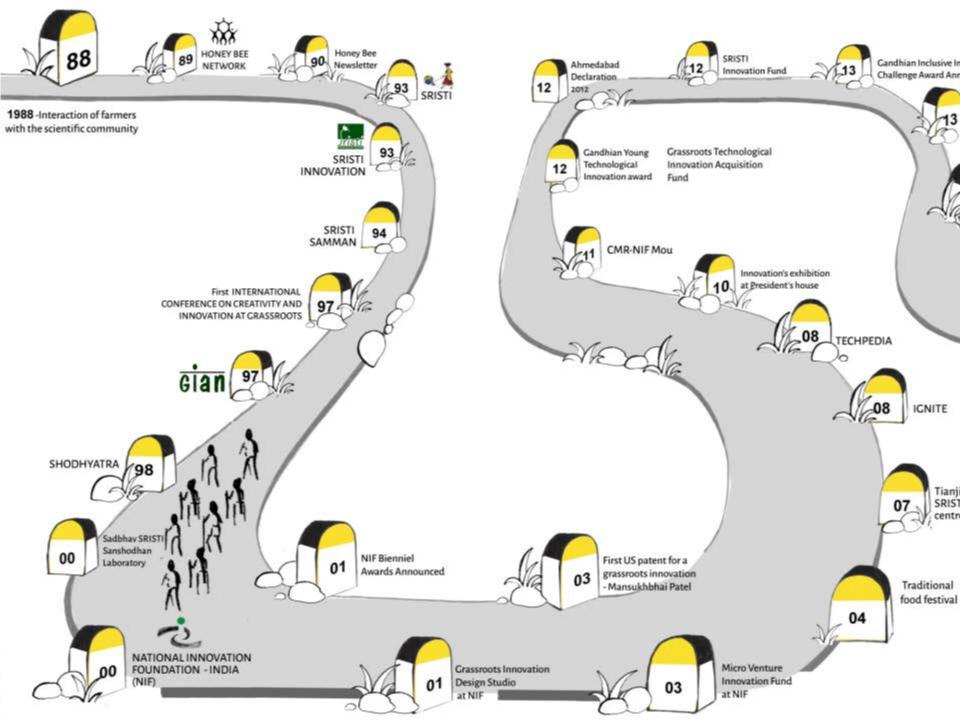
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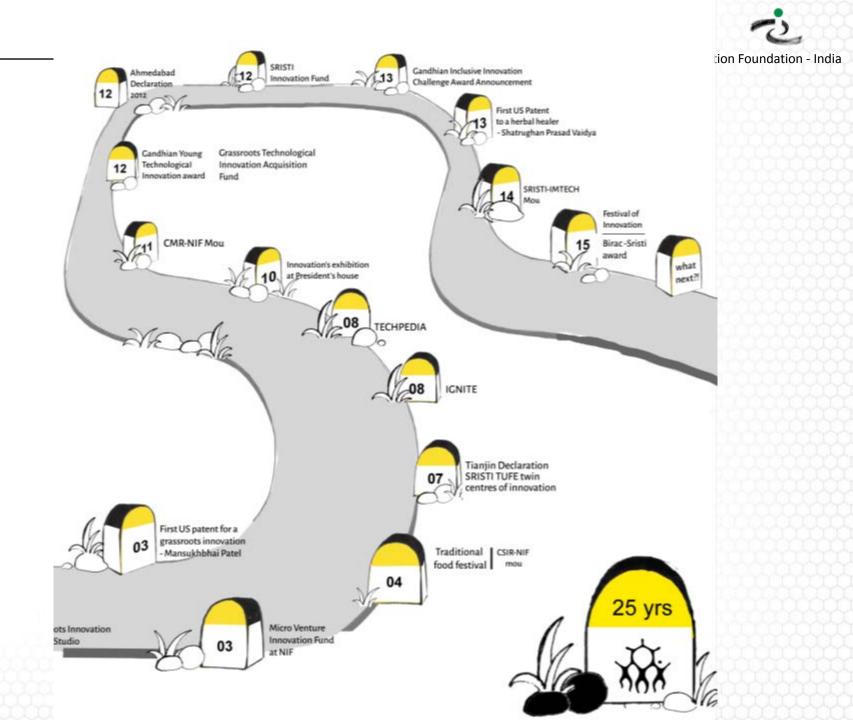
a) the innovators **should not become anonymous**, their identity must be acknowledged and given due recognition, respect and reward

b) what ever is learned from people must be **shared back with them in their language** and in the manner that they can understand

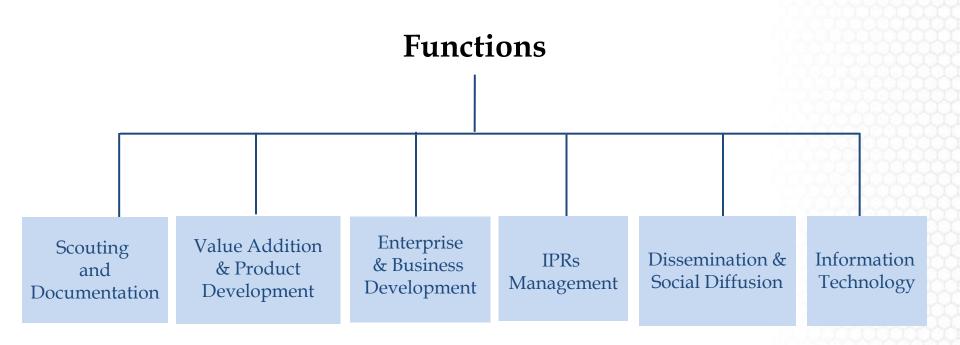
c) if any income, wealth or monetary incentive is generated through diffusion of innovation or any other activity related to it, a fair part must be shared back with knowledge and insight provider











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Current status

Scouted more than 2,11,500, ideas, innovations, traditional knowledge practices (not all unique, not all distinct) from over 575 districts of the country





Current Status:

Over 1000 projects supported for validation/ value addition

37 Community workshops/ micro incubator support in 19 states



Micro Incubator support/ Community workshops

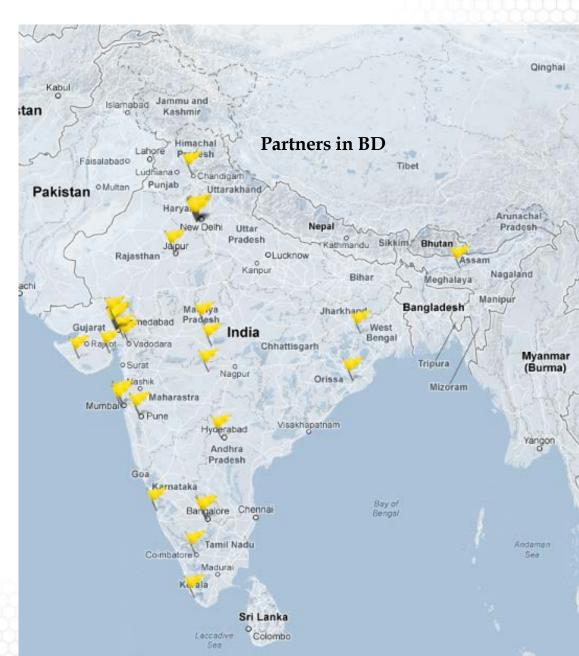




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Current Status

- 193 projects supported under Micro Venture Innovation Fund
- Transferred 89 technologies to licensees



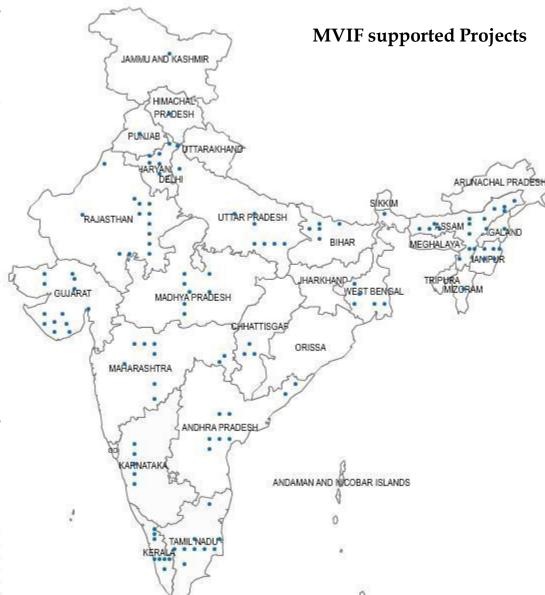


•A dedicated risk fund of Rs 4 crore for ten years with the support of SIDBI set up in October2003.

•Only of its kind micro venture risk fund, which extends financial support to grassroots innovators under a single signature on an simple agreement of understanding without any collateral or a guarantor.

•Invests in risk areas with high failure probability, investing in those technologies and products for which either market does not exist or may be very limited.

•Apart from financial returns, one of the key criteria for selection of a technology for MVIF support is social return or social value created for the benefit of society at large.





NIF Incubation and Entrepreneurship Council (NIFientreC)

Technology Business Incubator

- **New Venture Creation:** To promote new technology/knowledge based ventures.
- **Technology Commercialization:** To provide a platform for speedy commercialization of technologies developed in the host institution or any Academic and R&D institution of the
- **In-situ Incubation:** To promote distributed entrepreneurship by enriching local ecosystems.
- **Interfacing and Networking:** To provide networking between academia, industry and financial institution.
- **Value Addition:** To provide a platform to build synergy between formal and informal science and technology, institutions and knowledge system.
- **Mentoring:** To extend physical and virtual mentoring to the incubatees
- Other Assistance: Technology related IPR issues, legal and quality assurance services, formulation of marketing strategy, preparation of business plans and support in obtaining other legal clearances

IPRs Management

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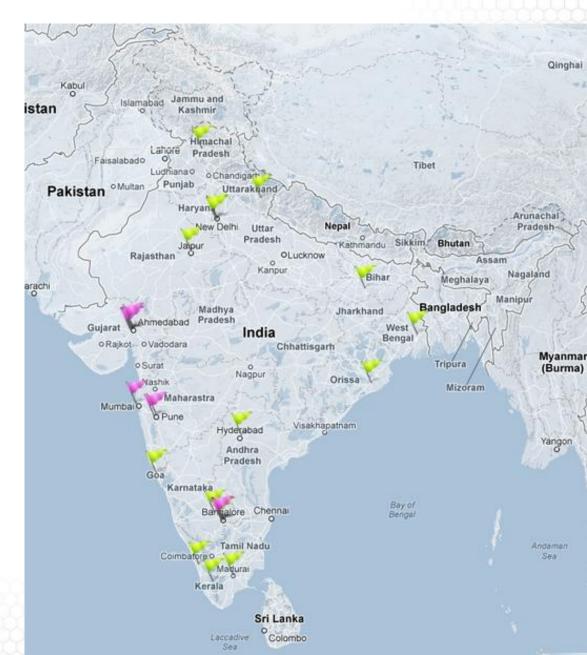
Filed 741 patent applications in the name of innovators/ knowledge holders in India, 8 in USA, 27 under PCT (39 granted in India and 5 in US)
37 applications under PPV&FR Act

• 16 Trademark and 14 Design registration applications



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Developing and updating databases, software, tools, websites for dissemination, data storage, retrieval, data management etc.



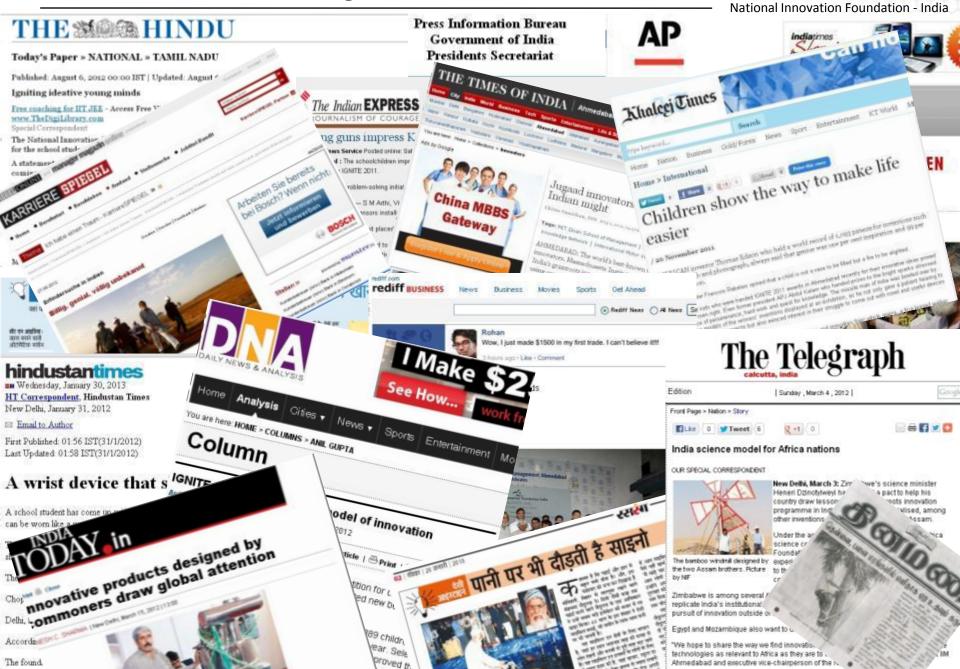


Grassroots Technological Innovation Acquisition Fund (GTIAF)

A fund to acquire the rights of socially useful grassroots technologies by making a payment to the innovators who retain the right to work on their technologies. NIF can then license the same to a number of entrepreneurs across the country on a low cost or a no cost basis or declare the same open source for the larger benefit of the society. It can also pool together desired characters of different versions of a technology and develop new prototypes.

NIF has acquired the rights of seventy nine innovative technologies

Dissemination through Media



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Incubation process

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Rewarding the innovators and tk holders



Grassroots/Professional/ Entries received Screening **Students** Explored Accepted Rejected Approval by **NIF Board Prior Informed Consent Documentation 3** National Register for Innovations and Outstanding Grassroots knowledge Recommendation for the awards/ Value addition/Validation/MVIF **Preliminary short listing** Formal & Informal Research Advisory **Documentation 1** Committee (Innovators, awardees, collaborators, Secondary short listing scientists/experts) **Documentation 2 Regional Research Advisory Committee**

(Collaborators, nodal officers, volunteers, experts, innovators)







Bringing Grassroots Innovations to the centre stage

Innovation exhibitions at President House – 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014

Festival of Innovation – 2015 onward

Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam IGNITE Awards



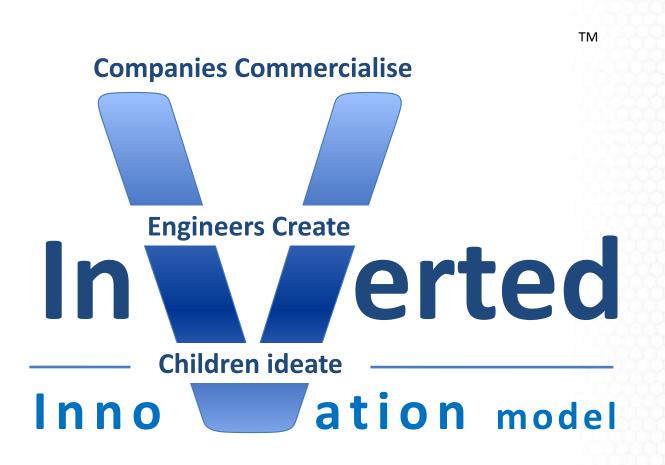
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The national competition of school students' original technological ideas and innovations



In the last eight years, 173 awards have been given to 243 children. Ideas of another 11 school children have received special mention. The total number of submissions from school children received during the various IGNITE campaigns are about 99000.

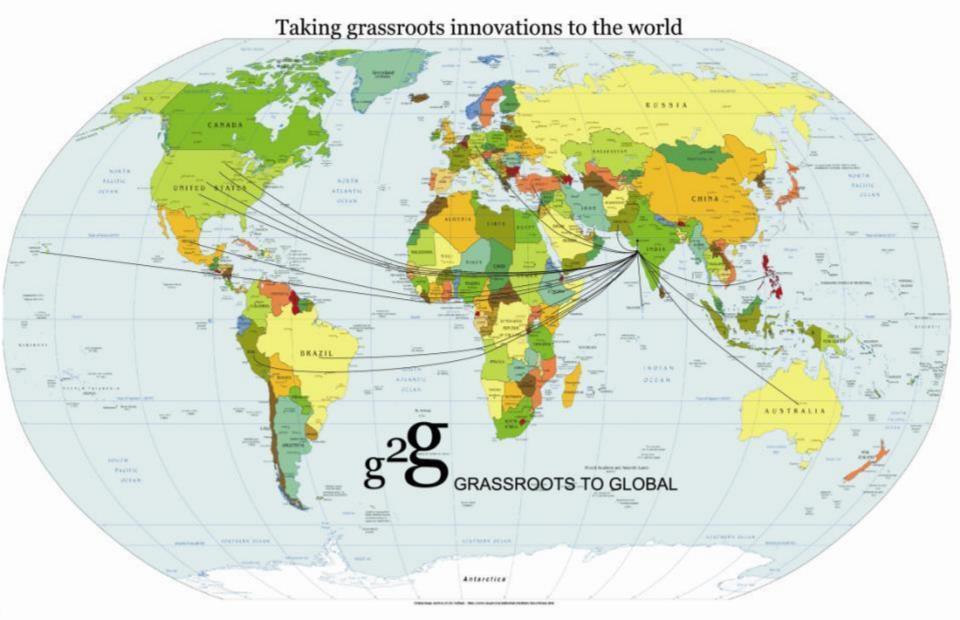
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Sale of grassroots products across six continents

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Does the public policy serve the cause of curiosity, compassion and collaboration enough...

NIF announced three Gandhian Inclusive Innovation Challenge Awards



Challenge 1: Redesigning the stove Challenge 2: Tea leaves plucking machine Challenge 3: Paddy Transplantar

Prize money 1st: Rs 10 Lakh, 2nd: Rs 5 Lakh, 3rd : Rs 2.5 Lakh