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TEAM TS@IIT AT WORK:

The TS@IIT team offers exceptional support to innovation stakeholders. We understand that promising young innovators need opportunities to gain visibility and tailored support to fully develop their potential. Our goal is to bring together all the players in this ecosystem, facilitating access to skills, expertise, professional knowledge, and business networks for budding innovators and entrepreneurs.



NEWS FROM STARTUP WORLD

Major Funding Highlights

- **Pixxel:** The space-tech startup raised \$100 million to scale its business. The funding round was led by Temasek and Seraphim.
- **Navana.ai:** The voice-AI startup raised ₹40 crore (\$4.2 million) to support its business expansion. The round was led by Ronnie Screwvala.
- **Fundly.ai:** The Mumbai-based fintech startup raised \$4 million to expand its payment solutions for supply chain and pharmaceutical companies.
- **DigitalPaani:** The Gurugram-based water-tech startup raised ₹22 crore to expand its water-management technology. The round included participation from 3one4 Capital and Enzia Ventures.

Key Acquisitions and Mergers

- **InsuranceDekho + RenewBuy:** The two insurance companies merged to create a larger insurance platform operating under the InsuranceDekho brand.
- **Niyo + RemitX:** Niyo agreed to acquire RemitX's forex and international money-transfer business to strengthen and expand its cross-border financial services.
- **Circle + Tazapay:** US-based Circle agreed to acquire Singapore-based Tazapay, a cross-border payments company, to strengthen its international payments business.



UPCOMING STARTUP & ENTREPRENEURSHIP EVENTS

ED TECH X 2026

September 22–24, 2026 | India Expo Centre & Mart, Greater Noida

Highlight: An EdTech-focused exhibition showcasing AI-powered platforms, robotics, and innovative startup products.

National AYUSH Festival 2026

September 25, 2026 | International Trade Expo Centre, Noida

Highlight: Featuring startup conclaves, healthcare innovation showcases, and emerging solutions in the AYUSH sector.

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BLOG -SCALING AGAINST THE ODDS: HOW WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS ARE DRIVING INDIA'S NEXT WAVE OF GLOBAL GROWTH

The landscape of women's entrepreneurship in India is shifting from small, traditional enterprises toward technology-led, innovation-driven, and globally ambitious businesses. Women founders are increasingly building successful ventures by addressing niche markets, commercializing overlooked needs, leveraging academic and deep-tech incubators, and drawing on strong domain expertise and lived experience.

Despite this progress, significant gaps remain in access to venture and growth-stage capital, credit, procurement opportunities, and scale-focused mentorship. As entrepreneurship expands beyond major metros into Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities, women-led businesses have the potential to create jobs, broaden economic participation, and develop solutions with relevance across other emerging markets.

The next phase must therefore move beyond simply enabling women to start businesses. It should focus on building the capital, networks, market access, mentorship, and institutional support required to help women-led ventures scale into large, sustainable, and globally competitive companies.

To read the blog, visit www.investingintalent.in or please click on this link -

<https://investingintalent.in/blog/scaling-against-the-odds-how-women-entrepreneurs-are-driving-indias-next-wave-of-global-growth/>

SAApply Roundup-Open Calls for Grants & Funding Opportunities

- Womenpreneurs for Bharat 4.0: September 16th 2026
- PIERC HealthTech Accelerator: September 18th 2026
- ATF Awards -September 21st 2026
- Genesis investment -September 24th 2026
- iDEX Open Challenge-September 30th 2026

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