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In order to promote Startups in Rajasthan and to generate better entrepreneurship / sub entrepreneurship / employment opportunities through Startups, especially promoting women entrepreneurship, grassroot innovation, providing support to Start-ups in disruptive sectors & innovations with rural impact, the State Government of Rajasthan has implemented iStart Rajasthan Action Agenda and Rajasthan Startup policy 2015 since October 2015.

**Nodal Department & Authority:** The Department of Information Technology and Communication (DOIT&C), Government of Rajasthan of the Nodal Department for Startup initiative in the State of Rajasthan. Department as Nodal Department with responsibility of Startup ecosystem development in the State. The Department of Information Technology and Communication is led by Honourable Chief Minister of Rajasthan and is governed by the Principal Secretary, Department of Information Technology and Communication, who is the nodal authority and single point owner of driving Startup initiative in the State. The program is further strengthened by Government of Rajasthan's Startup Council and State Level Implementation Committee (SLIC) for Startup ecosystem which include experts from Government, Industry, Academia and Investors. Both Startup Council and SLIC have been notified by Hon'ble Chief Minister of the State.

Further, a dedicated Start-up cell with dedicated team has been designated by the Nodal Department to oversee implementation and other related activities of the said policy at the ground level in the State.

**Dedicated Portal:** The iStart web portal ([istart.rajasthan.gov.in](http://istart.rajasthan.gov.in)) is operational for providing a single point of contact as an end to end solution for Startups and implementation of provisions under the policy in the State. This web portal is one stop solution for registration of Startups, Dedicated Mentoring support, funding requirements, Applying for various benefits under the policy and periodic evaluation of the Start-up status through the QRate Matrix.

**Infrastructure & Incubation Support:** The Department of Information Technology and Communication under the provisions of Section 3, sub-section 3.1 (c) of Rajasthan Startup Policy has also setup and is operating iStart Nest Incubation facilities in Jaipur, Udaipur and Kota under the provisions of the policy which the Startups avail for fulfilling their requirements of office space and structured Mentoring programs for nurturing the development of vibrant Startup Ecosystem.

Incubators in other cities like Jodhpur, Bharatpur, Ajmer, Bikaner, Churu & Pali are also being set up.

A dedicated team has been formed spearhead under the Nodal Officer/ Authority of the iStart program for successful implementation and promotion of Startup Ecosystem in the State.

The dedicated team for Start-ups under the dynamic and able leadership of Shri Alok Gupta, Principal Secretary (IAS), Department of Information Technology and Communication (DoIT&C) is as under:

1. Sh. Virendra Singh (IAS), Commissioner & Special Secretary to the Government
2. Sh. Anil Kumar Singh, Group General Manager (Technical) Group Head - VII
3. Sh. Tapan Kumar, SA (Joint Director) – OIC Start-ups
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**Office of The OIC – Start-up**

1. Smt. Munesh Lamba, ACP (Dy. Director)
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**Techno Hub, Jaipur**

1. Sh. Om Prakash Jangid, Consultant, Retd. (RAS)
2. Sh. Arvind Mohan, Additional Director

**IStart Nest, Udaipur**

Smt. Sheetal Agarwal, ACP (Dy. Director)

**IStart Nest, Kota**

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