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--- Strategic Partnership Overview ---

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ASSOCHAM INVESTOR CONNECT - ONLINE EDITION (March 2026), was successfully concluded in March 2026. We are now ready with the 2nd edition of the ASSOCHAM INVESTOR CONNECT to be held in Delhi-NCR in July 2026. This will be a curated platform combining conference-style discussions and dedicated 1:1 investor meeting to enable meaningful funding and partnership outcomes.

Mr. Arpit Agarwal, Partner, Blume Ventures is the Chair of the ASSOCHAM's Startup Council.

Focus Sectors

➤ DeepTech

- Defence Tech, CyberTech, Robotics, EVs, CleanTech, ClimateTech, SpaceTech, HealthTech, Advanced Manufacturing, and other related sub-sectors

➤ High-Growth Sectors

- FinTech, EdTech, AgriTech, FoodTech, Consumer, Mobility, IT/ITeS, and other related sectors

Benefits for startups

- ✓ Platform to scale, network & accelerate the fundraising journey
- ✓ 1:1 curated pitch with VCs, angel investors, and family offices
- ✓ Visibility under ASSOCHAM's national innovation ecosystem

Agenda

- Inaugural Session with Keynote Address(s)
- Opening Power packed Panel (*VC / Angel / Corporate VC / Family Office/Industry*)
- Networking spaces
- 1:1 Investor-Startup Meetings

Participating Investors

Asiana Alternative Investment Fund, Ankur Capital, Blume Ventures, Chiratae Ventures, Chandigarh Angels Network, Earlyseed ventures, Hinduja Investment Group, Ivycap Ventures, India Accelerator, IIFL, IAN Group, Mela Ventures, MountTech Growth Fund Kavachh, Piper Serica, Premji Invest, Pi Ventures, Pontaq VC, Sanchi Connect, Sanhit Ventures, Speciale Invest, Seafund, Transition VC, WaterBridge Ventures, YourNest VC, ZECA Capital and 8X Ventures

Expected Participants

- **Inaugural Session & Power packed Panel:** 150 (includes startups, investors, government officials, and other key players of the startup ecosystem)
- **Pitching Sessions:** Startups: 40-50 / Investors: 25-30

1st ASSOCHAM INVESTOR CONNECT

MARCH 2026 | VIRTUAL

ASSOCHAM successfully organised the **Investor Connect - Online Edition**, a curated virtual platform designed to bring together high-potential startups and leading investors through structured one-on-one pitching interactions.

The Platform received **140 startup applications from across India**, out of which **more than 60 startups were selected by the participating investors** for the final pitching sessions. Notably, **around 20 percent of the applications were submitted by youth innovators** highlighting the strong participation of young entrepreneurs in India's startup landscape.

The platform continues to create impact and is poised to facilitate cumulative funding of **INR 500 crore and above for the shortlisted startups**, primarily from sectors such as **Defencetech, Spacetech, Manufacturing, EV/Mobility, Healthtech, Cleantech, Agritech, and IT/ITeS** from the first edition alone, reflecting the strong momentum of innovation in these high-growth domains. The initiative also aligns with the **Government of India's vision under the Fund of Funds for Startups Scheme (FFS) 2.0** to strengthen access to capital and accelerate the growth of innovative startups across the country.

Geographically, **the highest number of applications were received from Karnataka, Delhi, and Uttar Pradesh**, followed by **Maharashtra and Haryana**, demonstrating robust startup participation from key innovation hubs across the country.

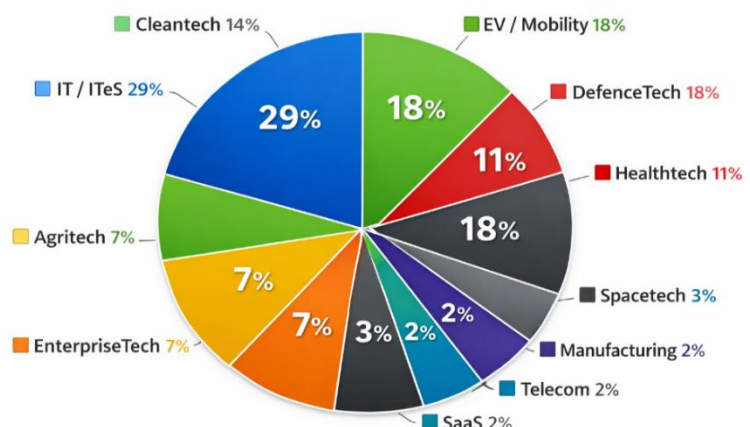
The Platform was supported by the **Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports**, with the **MY Bharat helping amplify the outreach among youth innovators and startup communities across the country**. The Platform was also highlighted by **Smt. Raksha Khadse, Hon'ble Minister of State**, through social media platforms.

Participating investors included **Piper Serica, IAN Group, Ankur Capital, Speciale Invest, Premji Invest, India Accelerator, Asiana Alternative Investment Fund, IIFL, Pi Ventures, 8X Ventures, Pontaq VC, Campus Angels Network, Chandigarh Angels Network ZECA Capital, Inflection Point Ventures, Jamwant Ventures, Seafund, and Transition VC**.

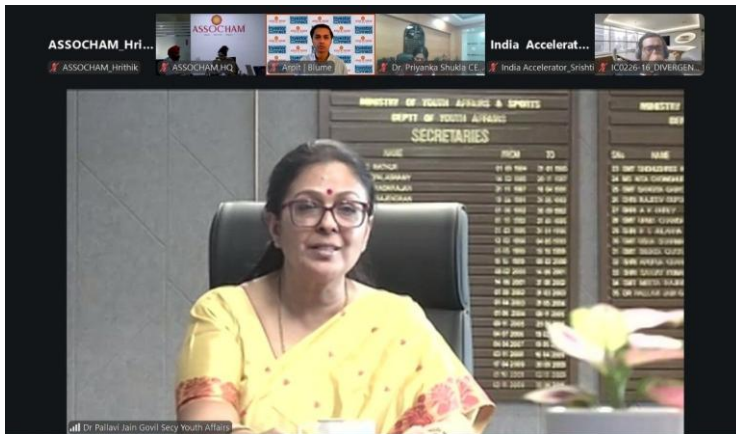
Total funding requirement by 34 Startups (Shortlisted for Round 2): **INR 500 Crores**

SECTOR-WISE BREAKUP OF STARTUPS:

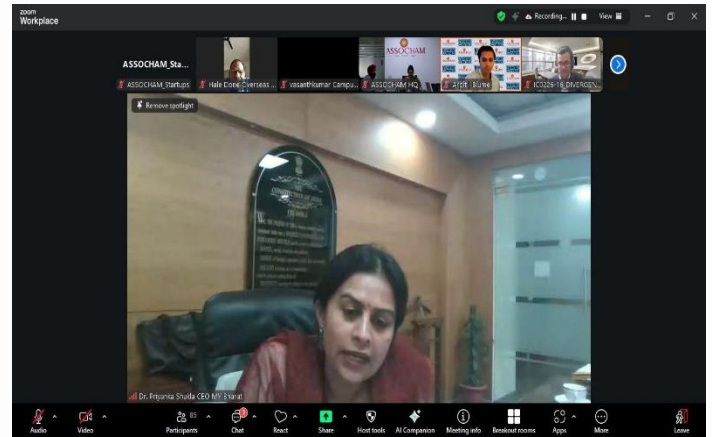
- IT/ITeS: 8
- Cleantech: 4
- EV/Mobility: 5
- Healthtech: 4
- Defencetech: 5
- Agritech: 2
- EnterpriseTech: 2
- Spacetech: 1
- Manufacturing: 1
- Telecom: 1
- SaaS: 1



GLIMPSES OF ASSOCHAM INVESTOR CONNECT - ONLINE EDITION



Chief Guest, Smt. Pallavi Jain Govil (IAS), Secretary, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India



Guest of Honour: Smt. Priyanka Shukla (IAS), CEO, MY Bharat, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India



Dr. Ambika Sharma, Assistant Secretary General, ASSOCHAM & Manveen Chadha, Additional Director - Startups, ASSOCHAM



Mr. Arpit Agarwal, Chair - ASSOCHAM National Startup Council & Partner, Blume Ventures

ASSOCHAM Investor Connect has been built as a high-trust, outcome-driven platform where capital meets conviction. By combining curated startup selection, investor-aligned matchmaking, and the presence of government and industry leadership, the initiative ensures that every interaction is purposeful, relevant, and geared towards real outcomes. The first edition has already demonstrated the strength of this model, and the in-person format is designed to further accelerate decision-making, deepen relationships, and translate engagement into tangible partnerships.

For partners, this is not just an event, but a strategic opportunity to position themselves at the center of India's evolving innovation ecosystem. It offers direct access to high-potential startups, visibility among leading investors and policymakers, and a platform to engage where capital, innovation, and policy converge. The following partnership opportunities are structured to deliver meaningful visibility, access, and influence across this ecosystem.





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Engage directly with curated startups, gain visibility across ASSOCHAM's national ecosystem, and position your brand at the intersection of innovation, investment, and policy.

BENEFITS	BRONZE PARTNER	SILVER PARTNER	GOLD PARTNER
Investment (₹)	2,00,000	4,00,000	7,00,000
BRANDING & VISIBILITY			
Logo on Website & Registration Page	-	✓	✓ (Top-Tier)
Recognition in Email Outreach	-	-	✓ (Powered by)
Logo on Event Backdrop & Venue Branding	✓	✓	✓ (Top-Tier)
Social Media Visibility (All Posts)	✓	✓	✓ (+ Dedicated Posts)
Logo on Partner Acknowledgement & Selfie Zone	✓	✓	✓ (Top-Tier)
Branded Standee Display at Venue	-	-	✓
Branded Collateral in Delegate Kits / Registration	-	✓	✓
Corporate AV / Video Showcase	-	-	✓
ACCESS & ENGAGEMENT			
Access to Startup Profiles (Pre-event)	-	-	✓
Access to VIP Lounge / Closed Networking Lunch	-	✓	✓
Curated 1:1 Meeting Access	-	-	✓ (Priority)
Facilitated Introductions (with Startups, post event)	-	-	✓
POSITIONING & INFLUENCE			
Event Participation (Passes)	4	6	10
Speaking Opportunity	-	-	✓
Stage Recognition during Inaugural	✓	✓	✓ (Powered by)
Visibility before Govt. Dignitaries	-	-	✓
Mention in Official Press Release	-	✓	✓



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