

## Innovation growth programme influenced by "Start-up India"

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The Indian Department of Science and Technology jointly with US defense major Lockheed Martin Corporation is taking a cohort of 10 start-ups to Silicon Valley in response to Prime Minister [Narendra](#) Modi's slogan of "Start-up India."

These 10 companies will showcase their outstanding innovations at the India-U.S. Startup Konnect to be presided over by Narendra Modi. The delegation has been sponsored under the DST-Lockheed Martin [India](#) Innovation Growth Programme (IIGP), which aims to connect Indian innovators to global marketplace.

The companies will also visit Stanford Graduate School of [Business](#) and the IC2 Institute, University of Texas at Austin to learn about best global practices on innovation and entrepreneurship.

Speaking on the success of the programme, Harkesh Kumar Mittal, Adviser, Member Secretary, National Science & Technology Entrepreneurship Development Board (NSTEDB) said that this access will lead a positive impact on the missions of Government of India.

John D. Evans, Vice President, International Engineering and Technology, Lockheed Martin Corporation stated "Through the India Innovation Growth Programme, we challenge innovators to bring forth ideas and innovations that will shape the future of industries across the country".