





Scitech StepUp ManXL Demo Day held on 29th March 2022 in Pune



Start-up Pitching



Padma Shri Pratap Pawar sharing his views

The Demo Day of the Scitech StepUp ManXL – a NIDHI Accelerator programme funded by Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India (GOI) and powered by Science and Technology Park, Pune (Scitech Park) was held on 29th March 2022 in Pune. The accelerator programme supported, market-ready innovative start-ups having cutting-edge technologies for manufacturing industries, by providing them expertly curated training, subject specific 1-on-1 mentoring, access to Scitech Park's network & infrastructure and showcasing opportunities.

On Demo Day, 14 start-ups from the accelerator cohort pitched to jury members i.e. (1) Dr. Naveen Vasishta, Consultant, DST. GOI (2) Padma Shri Pratap Pawar, Chairman, Sakal Media Group (3) Shri Dilip Band, Former Divisional Commissioner, Pune (4) Dr. Rajendra







Jagdale, Director General and CEO for cash prizes. AICAN Pvt Ltd was announced as a winner and received a cash prize of Rs. 5 Lakh. C-Probe Technologies and WaveNxD Technologies were announced 1st Runner-up and 2nd Runner-up respectively, and received cash prizes of Rs. 3 Lakh and Rs. 2 Lakh.



C-Probe Technologies LLP

AICAN Pvt Ltd

WaveNxD Technologies Pvt Ltd

The Demo Day also provided the start-ups to pitch to the investors, facilitators, HNI/Angels, Banks etc. to raise funding for their companies as the event observed a bumper response from the investors. 14 investors from Pune, Mumbai and Bangaluru participated in this event. Some of the known institutional investors present were Indian Angel Network & IAN Fund, SeaFund, Mumbai Angels, Sigma Ventures, Windrose Capital, Equanimity Investments, Pentathlon Ventures, IDFC First Bank etc. Interestingly, many who could travel to Pune have requested e-introductions and showed interacting with start-ups online in coming days.











IAN interacting with Start-up



Seafund interacting with Start-up



Sigma Ventures interacting with Start-up



Mumbai Angels interacting with Start-up



Equanimity Investment interacting with Start-ups



Windrose Capital interacting with Start-up

Thus, this Demo Day was an excellent opportunity for investors, mentors and customers to witness the most promising start-ups solving problems of manufacturing sector Scitech Park has to offer. It was a brave effort to facilitate investments in the future of manufacturing and contribute to the economic growth by DST, GOI and Scitech Park.