

'Entrepreneurship is more of an attitude than a skill'

Speaking on 'Making innovations and start-ups a culture in India' during the final round of 'Start-up Mentorship Programme, 2018' organised by the AICTE, New Delhi at its auditorium on June 25-26, Dr Sunil Shukla, director of EDII, Ahmedabad, said, "Entrepreneurship is more of an attitude, than a skill or talent."

Encouraging budding women entrepreneurs and young start-up teams, he highlighted how there was an increase in the admission of girls from 10% to 25% at EDII. "AICTE's focus on empowering women start-ups by providing them with an opportunity to showcase their business ideas, mentor student innovators and early stage start-ups besides providing opportunity to connect with incubators, start-up ecosystem enablers and VCs attracted the participants in large numbers," Shukla said. Out of the 82 teams that were selected to participate in the 'Start-up mentorship programme' and second round of evaluation of female lead tech start-ups, 55 teams were female-led innovations or start-ups.

The programme to support 100 women-led student tech start-ups over a period of five years was jointly announced by AICTE and Carleton University earlier this year. The first cohort of 10 women-led tech start-ups from India will visit Carleton University, Canada to take part in the two-week International Acceleration Programme in August.