

Venture Capital Opportunities



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Venture Capital Assistance Scheme

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Small Farmers' Agri Business Consortium, New Delhi

List of banks with whom MOU has been signed by SFAC

| S. No. | Bank | Date |
|--------|---|------------|
| 1 | Allahabad Bank | 09.05.2005 |
| 2 | UCO Bank | 09.05.2005 |
| 3 | Bank of Baroda | 13.05.2005 |
| 4 | OBC | 18.07.2005 |
| 5 | Punjab National Bank | 20.07.2005 |
| 6 | Central Bank of India | 26.05.2005 |
| 7 | Canara Bank | 23.09.2005 |
| 8 | Vijaya Bank | 26.09.2005 |
| 9 | The Jammu & Kashmir Bank Ltd | 05.10.2005 |
| 10 | Syndicate Bank | 10.10.2005 |
| 11 | Bank of Maharashtra | 19.10.2005 |
| 12 | United Bank of India | 24.11.2005 |
| 13 | State Bank of Bikaner & Jaipur | 14.12.2005 |
| 14 | State Bank of India | 19.12.2005 |
| 15 | State Bank of Saurashtra | 14.03.2006 |
| 16 | Indian Bank | 07.02.2006 |
| 17 | Bank of India | 09.06.2006 |
| 18 | Dena Bank | 09.10.2006 |
| 19 | Union Bank of India | 09.10.2006 |
| 20 | State Bank of Patiala | 26.09.2006 |
| 21 | Indian Overseas Bank | 15.04.2008 |
| 22 | Punjab & Sind Bank | 19.03.2013 |
| 23 | Corporation Bank | 09.04.2014 |
| 24 | Agri Business Finance (AP) Ltd | 17.04.2014 |
| 25 | Kerala Financial Corporation | 17.04.2014 |
| 26 | Vananchal Gramin Bank | 02.05.2014 |
| 27 | Baroda Gujarat Gramin Bank | 02.05.2014 |
| 28 | Kerala Gramin Bank | 13.05.2014 |
| 29 | North Eastern Development Finance Corporation Ltd., (NEDFi) | 05.06.2014 |
| 30 | Kaveri Grameena Bank, Mysore | 11.06.2014 |
| 31. | Pragathi Krishna Gramin Bank, Bellary | 11.06.2014 |
| 32. | National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) | 25.06.2014 |
| 33. | Baroda Uttar Pradesh Gramin Bank | 17.07.2014 |
| 34. | Dena Gujarat Gramin Bank, Gandhinagar | 23.07.2014 |
| 35. | Assam Gramin Vikash Bank, Guwahati | 26.07.2014 |
| 36. | Central Madhya Pradesh Gramin Bank, M.P. | 05.08.2014 |
| 37. | Assam Financial Corporation, Assam | 08.08.2014 |
| 38. | Odisha State Financial Corporation | 05.09.2014 |
| 39. | Bihar Gramin Bank | 05.11.2014 |
| 40. | Gramin Bank of Aryavart, UP | 07.11.2014 |
| 41. | Madhyanchal Gramin Bank, Madhya Pradesh | 10.12.2014 |

SALIENT FEATURES OF THE SCHEME



Eligibility Criteria

Assistance under the Scheme is available to:

- ◆ Individuals
- ◆ Farmers
- ◆ Farmer Producer Companies/Farmer Producer Organisations
- ◆ Partnership/Proprietary Firms
- ◆ Self-help Groups
- ◆ Companies
- ◆ Agripreneurs
- ◆ Units in Agri-export Zones
- ◆ Agriculture Graduates individually or in groups.

QUALIFYING PROJECTS



- a. The project should be in agriculture or allied sector or related to agricultural services. **Poultry and dairy projects are also covered under the Scheme.**
- b. The project should provide an assured market to farmers/ producer groups.
- c. The project should encourage farmers to diversify into high value crops.
- d. The project should be accepted by banks/financial institutions for grant of term loan.

ELIGIBLE COST OF PROJECT



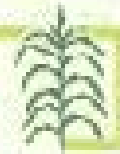
- ◆ **Minimum ₹ 15.00 lakh (₹ 10.00 lakh for Hilly and North- Eastern states and backward districts).**
- ◆ **Maximum upto ₹ 500.00 lakh.**

Higher Venture Capital Assistance can be considered by SFAC to deserving projects on merit provided:

- ◆ Provision for higher VCA has been appraised and approved by the sanctioning authority of term loans, subject to a maximum of ₹ 3.00 crore.
- ◆ The total cost of the project is not more than ₹ 10.00 crore.
- ◆ The projects are located in the North Eastern Region (NER) and other pre-identified districts declared backward by the Backward Regions Grant Fund Scheme.

The beneficiary will repay the Venture Capital in lump sum to SFAC after full repayment of the bank's term loan as per the original schedule, or earlier.

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT FACILITY (PDF)



The PDF provides financial support to farmers, farmer producer companies/farmer producer organisations, agripreneurs, units in agri-export zones, organisations and agriculture graduates for preparing bankable Detailed Project Reports (DPRs).

The beneficiary may approach any of the following for assistance:

- ◆ **State SFACs**
- ◆ **Banks**
- ◆ **Empanelled consultants of SFACs**
- ◆ **Central SFAC**

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STATEWISE SANCTIONED PROJECTS

State Wise Projects Activity Wise Projects Bank Wise Projects

| Activity Name | No Of Projects | VCA (Rs. in Lakhs) |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Aloe Vera | <u>7</u> | 183.92 |
| Anticancer drug | <u>1</u> | 399.50 |
| Aqua Agriculture | <u>1</u> | 72.00 |
| Bamboo | <u>7</u> | 613.28 |
| Banana Ripening | <u>13</u> | 233.55 |
| Bio fuel | <u>3</u> | 36.46 |
| Bio-Diesel from Jatropha | <u>1</u> | 12.00 |
| Biomass Briquettes | <u>1</u> | 17.42 |
| Cardamom | <u>1</u> | 5.62 |
| Cashew | <u>94</u> | 1571.36 |
| Cattle Feeds | <u>6</u> | 160.54 |
| Chicory | <u>3</u> | 78.69 |
| Coal Briquette | <u>1</u> | 13.54 |
| Coconut | <u>49</u> | 768.25 |
| Coconut Shell Charcoal. | <u>1</u> | 14.70 |
| Cold Storage | <u>325</u> | 12624.37 |
| Cotton | <u>19</u> | 809.04 |
| Custom Hiring Centre | <u>4</u> | 7.32 |
| Dairy Processing | <u>3</u> | 126.44 |
| Edible Oil | <u>3</u> | 79.30 |

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|-----------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Pineapple | <u>8</u> | 214.69 |
| Poha Mill | <u>31</u> | 461.08 |
| Pomegranates | <u>3</u> | 91.73 |
| Potato Chips | <u>10</u> | 494.87 |
| Poultry | <u>4</u> | 70.66 |
| Poultry Layer Farm | <u>2</u> | 28.83 |
| Pulse Processing Unit | <u>27</u> | 530.69 |
| pulses | <u>1</u> | 23.62 |
| Raisin | <u>26</u> | 412.97 |
| Rice Mill | <u>27</u> | 762.29 |
| Sago (Tapioca Roots) | <u>6</u> | 126.96 |
| Seed Processing and Storage | <u>3</u> | 99.12 |
| Stevia | <u>1</u> | 5.87 |
| Sugar Beet | <u>1</u> | 116.00 |
| Sweet/Baby Corn | <u>5</u> | 98.89 |
| Tea | <u>1</u> | 18.12 |
| Tissue Culture Laboratory | <u>2</u> | 14.90 |
| Trading and Manufacturing of Rice | <u>2</u> | 78.40 |
| Vanilla | <u>2</u> | 53.39 |
| Vermi Compost | <u>3</u> | 160.53 |
| Walnut | <u>8</u> | 229.15 |
| Winery | <u>12</u> | 440.25 |
| Total | 1344 | 40371.88 |

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Activity-wise break-up 3164 Projects



| Activity | No. of Project | Activity | No. of Project | Activity | No. of Project |
|------------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|----------------|---|----------------|
| Cold storage | 784 | Gherkins | 12 | Milk Processing & chilling | 10 |
| Misc. fruits & vegetables | 407 | Peas / Peanut butter | 12 | Vanilla | 2 |
| Cashew | 176 | Walnut | 12 | Tissue Culture Laboratory | 2 |
| Grapes/Raisin/Butter/ Ice cream | 75 | Pineapple | 8 | Jaggery | 4 |
| Mango/Watermelon | 53 | Aloe Vera | 8 | Flour Mill/Kuttu/Besan | 43 |
| Coconut powder & flakes | 61 | Bamboo/Plywood Board | 8 | Isabgol | 2 |
| Onion & Garlic Dehydration | 118 | Sago | 6 | Poultry/Paddy/candy | 24 |
| Floriculture | 41 | Ginger/Masala Mill | 5 | Anticancer drug /Menthol mint | 3 |
| Guar Gum | 63 | Ester/Bio Fuel/Briquities | 13 | Cardamum/Organic compost | 5 |
| Misc. Spices/Betelnuts | 78 | Sweet/Baby Corn/Maize | 7 | Seabuckthorn Fruit | 1 |
| Rice Mill | 404 | Honey | 6 | Seed Processing & storage | 23 |
| Pulses Processing Unit | 62 | Cattle Feeds | 14 | Stevia (1)/sugar beet (1) | 3 |
| Mushroom | 47 | Pomegranates | 4 | Tea/Paints/Dairy | 4 |
| Winery Unit | 13 | Chicory | 4 | Groundnut | 58 |
| Herbal Extracts | 16 | Ginning & cotton seeds | 139 | Bio-Diesel from Jatropha | 1 |
| Fisheries /Aqua/Agriculture Allied | 13 | Vermi Compost | 3 | Mnf. Of snack foods & soyabadi | 3 |
| Pickles/Sauces/Jam | 15 | Mustard Edible Oil | 44 | Bedana/Senna leaves | 3 |
| Poha Mill | 56 | Lavender Oil/Mouth Freshener | 6 | Reefer Van/Tannicacid / Hiring/Papad | 6 |
| Potato chips | 12 | Nutmeg(1)/Pepper (2) | 3 | Other/Channa/Cleaning sorting of grain and processing | 14 |
| Banana Ripening | 39 | Patchouli (medicinal plant) | 3 | Horticulture Crops | 4 |
| Chocolate/Bakery | 2 | Dall Mill/Poha | 95 | Roasted Grams | 2 |

State-wise break-up 3164 Projects Rs. 900 Crore 2021



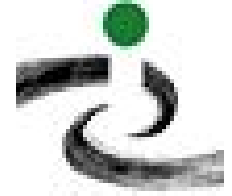
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|------------------|-----|-------------------|----|
| Maharashtra | 538 | Telangana | 74 |
| Gujarat | 490 | Andhra Pradesh | 46 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 354 | Assam | 30 |
| Karnataka | 230 | Manipur | 12 |
| Chhattisgarh | 267 | Nagaland | 9 |
| Rajasthan | 253 | West Bengal | 9 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 176 | Bihar | 6 |
| Haryana | 154 | Arunachal Pradesh | 4 |
| Tamil Nadu | 96 | Orissa | 5 |
| Punjab | 186 | Meghalaya | 3 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 73 | Tripura | 3 |
| Kerala | 47 | Jharkhand | 3 |
| Uttarakhand | 47 | Goa | 1 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 47 | Mizoram | 1 |

Bank-wise break-up 3164 Projects



| | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----|---|----|
| SBI | 643 | J & K Bank | 48 |
| Bank of Baroda | 384 | Indian Bank | 52 |
| Punjab National Bank | 283 | Allahabad Bank | 36 |
| Canara Bank | 255 | Andhra Bank | 42 |
| Bank of India | 220 | UCO Bank | 40 |
| Bank of Maharashtra | 172 | Indian Overseas Bank | 32 |
| Dena Bank/Dena Gujarat Gramin Bank | 127 | United Bank of India | 23 |
| Central Bank of India | 140 | Punjab & Sind Bank | 39 |
| Syndicate Bank | 107 | Karnataka SFC | 12 |
| Union Bank of India | 133 | Gramin Bank of Aryavart | 7 |
| Corporation Bank | 102 | Assam Gramin Vikash Bank /Kerala Financial Corporation | 5 |
| OBC | 119 | Exim Bank | 3 |
| Vijaya Bank | 52 | Baroda Gujarat Gramin Bank | 1 |
| IDBI | 54 | Others | 33 |

National Innovation Foundation (NIF)



- Set up in March 2000, DST, Government of India.
- Pooled a database of over **3,25,000** technological ideas, innovations and traditional knowledge practices from over 625 districts
- Filed applications for 78 varieties at the PPVFR (Protection of Plant Varieties & Farmers' Rights Authority).
- Filed 1250 Patents, 306 patents granted, 18 trademark and designs granted
- As of 31st March 2022, Commercialized innovations in many countries and successful in materializing 120 cases of technology licensing.

NIF Incubation and Entrepreneurship Council (NIF-ientreC)

- Technology business incubator, registered as Section 8 Company (not for profit) under the Companies Act 2013,
- Established in 2015 with financial support from the DST for incubation and commercialisation of technological ideas and innovations of grassroots innovators and students across the country.
- Envisages creating a comprehensive support ecosystem that provides timely and necessary aid to innovators and entrepreneurs in their endeavours.
- Provides both in situ and ex situ mentoring to innovators and entrepreneurs for developing and upgrading their ideas/innovations into commercially viable technology products/processes.
- Provides business guidance and assistance to them for creating and operating a successful business venture, enabling dissemination of technological innovation across India and outside India.

Core offerings

- Business and Technology Mentoring
- Business Promotion and Networking
- Capacity Building and Skilling
- Regulatory and Compliance Assistance
- Technology Transfer and Commercialisation
- Technology Prototyping and Validation

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- Help to raise additional capital from other investors.



- Bengaluru
- B2B marketplace leveraging technology to deliver the fastest harvest-to-retail in the industry.
- Constant endeavour is to help farmers generate more revenue and businesses supply the **fish and seafood** to their customers.
- Achieve this with deliberate efforts to build a data and deep tech driven platform to power of supply chain.

VEGROW

- Bengaluru – Hyderabad based Venture
- Vegrow is in the **business of fresh fruits & vegetables** with an addressable market size of \$43 Billion.
- Vegrow is a tech platform partnering with farmers, aggregating supply and selling to organized demand through partnership.
- Vegrow simplifies farming and increases the land utilization for farmers.
- On a mission to build the world's biggest asset-light farmer.



- NOIDA
- TBH (To Be Honest) offers a new innovative format of snacking that was so far not readily available in the market such as **vacuum fried** okra, tomatoes, beetroot, sweet potato and others.
- TBH is creating a category of processed foods much like potato chips and overtime creating an impact in vegetable and fruit value chains.
- Snacking is inherent to Indian culture as it is apparent from the multi billion dollar market that is growing very rapidly.



- Delhi, Bengaluru, Amsterdam
- Cropin is bringing farms on the cloud, where traceability, productivity, predictability and big data is changing century old ways of agriculture.
- Developed a cost effective, cloud-based pay-as-you-go platform that digitizes, assembles and structures farm data, enabling real-time insights on farm efficiency, productivity and forecast.
- **CropIn’s “smart-farms” facilitate live data flow between farms and aggregators in the supply chain, thereby benefiting both**
- The Indian farmer’s efforts to survive and thrive have been held hostage for decades by factors, such as, lack of timely information, fragmented land holdings, technological know how, and unpredictable weather conditions.

SUMA AGRO

INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED

- Chennai
- Suma Agro is the first manufacturer of humate based products in India and brings in cutting edge R&D technology to its products.
- Flagship product **Humicas is a concentrated water-soluble liquid organic soil nutrient and conditioner** that enhances the physio-chemical properties and microbial activities in the soil, thereby increasing yield and improving soil quality significantly.
- Attacking years of soil degradation with made in India soil conditioners that are affordable and efficient.

The logo for BigHaat features a stylized green leaf icon above the word "BigHaat" in a bold, green, sans-serif font. The leaf is positioned over the letter 'i' in "Big".

BigHaat

- Kota, Hyderabad, Bengaluru
- **Connecting farmers to verified suppliers directly and reducing travel periods required to procure inputs.**
- Currently working with several leading seed suppliers across India in bringing their products on the e-commerce platform to provide transparent, competitive and quality services directly to farmers.
- The Agri-input market in India is captive to the whims of the distribution network with even the largest players not able to reach the farmer directly.
- India's largest "Multi-brand agri e-store" and is poised to move a sizable chunk of this market online.



- Thane
- Streamline the **quality assessment process with its user-friendly mobile application that uses computer vision and artificial intelligence yielding objective, accurate and faster quality assessment** and for all stakeholders (farmers, traders and processors).
- Agricx leverages the increasing smartphone penetration in India and has built all its applications to be able to process images captured even from a low-end camera.
- Lack of viable methods to diagnose produce quality is affecting all the stakeholders in the supply chain and today's agri ecosystem is proactively demanding a solution that is affordable, easily deployable across chain and provide real time diagnosis!



- Mumbai
- Solving the problems of post-harvest farm-gate storage, intercity/ intracity distribution of frozen products and last mile retailer requirements with its flagship product “PLUGnCHILL”.
- **With the use of eutectic plates, Tessol’s fuel-free refrigeration technology is based on energy storage and eliminates fossil fuel.**
- TESSOL’s products have found wide application in several market segments including e-commerce, food processors, QSR etc. along with fruits & vegetable retail.
- Cold chains are essential for extending the shelf life, period of marketing of the produce.