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■ India, Australia Jointly Launch Accelerator Programme to Propel Circular Economy Startups

Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), NITI Aayog's flagship initiative and the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO), Australia's National Science Agency, have jointly launched the India-Australia Rapid Innovation and Startup Expansion (RISE) accelerator programme. The collaboration aims to provide robust support to startups and small to mid-sized enterprises (SMEs) specialising in circular economy technologies and solutions in India and Australia. Applications for the RISE programme are currently open and will continue to be accepted until January 7 next year. Interested startups can submit their applications through the official website, riseaccelerator.org. Participating startups in the India-Australia RISE Accelerator also stand a chance to receive non-equity grants, with the potential to secure funding up to Rs 40 Lakh.

