

Entrepreneurship Development in India from Youth's Perspective

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Abstract: *Entrepreneurship is a critical driver of economic development, acting as a foundation for employment generation, technological innovation, industrial growth, rural upliftment, and overall national progress. In a rapidly developing country like India, where the population is growing and job opportunities remain limited, entrepreneurship has become not just a solution but a necessity. While extensive research has explored entrepreneurship in the Indian context, there is a noticeable lack of focus on youth entrepreneurship—despite young people being the most dynamic and affected segment of the population. Entrepreneurship today is not merely about starting a business; for the youth, it is about creating meaningful careers, gaining social recognition, and contributing to economic resilience. Yet, many young aspiring entrepreneurs face persistent challenges such as limited access to funding, mentorship gaps, lack of entrepreneurial education, and policy hurdles. This research aims to bridge the existing gap by examining entrepreneurship development in India through the lens of youth. It explores the motivations, roles, and impact of young entrepreneurs on the Indian economy, while also identifying the barriers they face. The paper emphasizes the need for a supportive ecosystem that fosters innovation, risk-taking, and long-term sustainability. By understanding the unique perspective of Indian youth, this study hopes to inform policy, encourage institutional support, and inspire a shift in how entrepreneurship is promoted across the country. Empowering young individuals to pursue entrepreneurial ventures is not only vital for addressing unemployment and boosting economic growth—it is essential for shaping a future-ready India that can stand strong in the global economic arena*

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