



# Innovations for clean water: Science, technology and incubation

#### T. Pradeep

Institute Professor, IIT Madras pradeep@iitm.ac.in

Co-founder

InnoNano Research Pvt. Ltd.

InnoDI Water Technologies Pvt. Ltd.

VayuJAL Technologies Pvt. Ltd.

Aqueasy Innovations Pvt. Ltd.





THEMATIC UNIT OF EXCELLENCE





# SUSTAINABLE GCALS DEVELOPMENT GCALS

#### 17 GOALS TO TRANSFORM OUR WORLD







































#### Lab to market

T. Pradeep Anshup Mohan Udhaya Sankar Amrita Chaudhary

Email: <a href="mailto:pradeep@iitm.ac.in">pradeep@iitm.ac.in</a> Email: <a href="mailto:anshup@gmail.com">anshup@gmail.com</a> Phone: +91-9962327075



Founder
InnoNano Research Pvt. Ltd.
An IIT Madras Incubated Company



#### **Partner agencies**

Government of India
Department of Science and Technology
State Governments
West Bengal, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Punjab



DST Unit of Nanoscience and Thematic Unit of Excellence, IIT Madras





An IIT Madras incubated company

#### Biopolymer-re nanocomposit water purifica

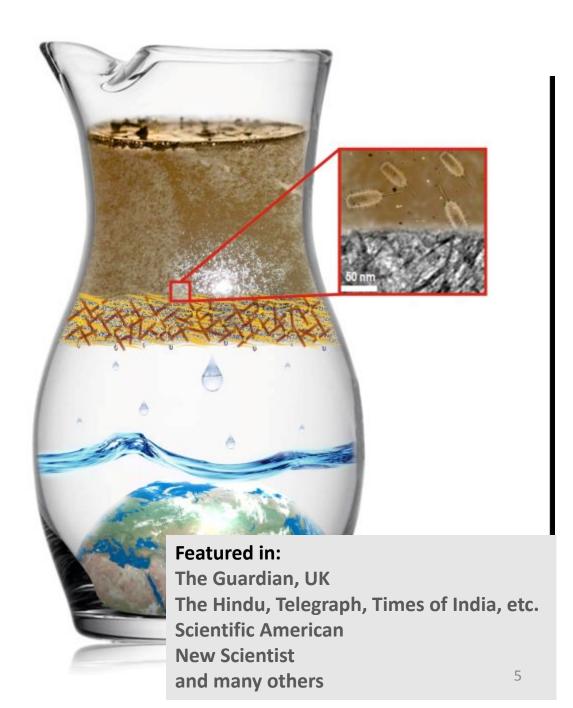
Mohan Udhaya Sankar<sup>1</sup>, Saha Kamalesh Chaudhari, and Tha

Unit of Nanoscience and Thematic Uni

Edited by Eric Hoek, University of Calif

Creation of affordable materials fo water is one of the most promising drinking water for all. Combinin composites to scavenge toxic sp other contaminants along with the affordable, all-inclusive drinking without electricity. The critical p synthesis of stable materials tha uously in the presence of comp drinking water that deposit and surfaces. Here we show that suc be synthesized in a simple and effe out the use of electrical power. 1 sand-like properties, such as highe forms. These materials have been water purifier to deliver clean drin ily. The ability to prepare nanos ambient temperature has wide water purification.

hybrid | green | appropriate technolog

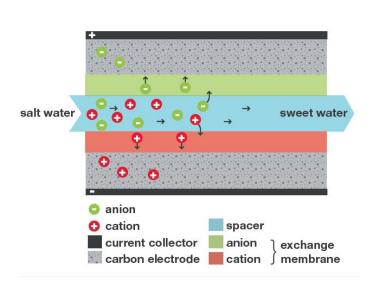


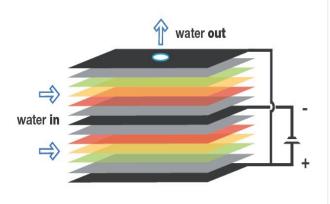
# Work was featured in several journals

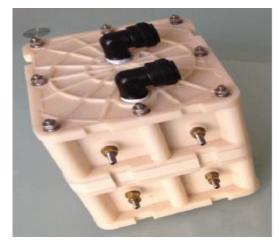


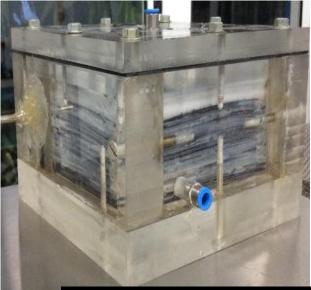
Nature Nanotechnology, July 2014 issue

### Capacitive Desalination (CDI)



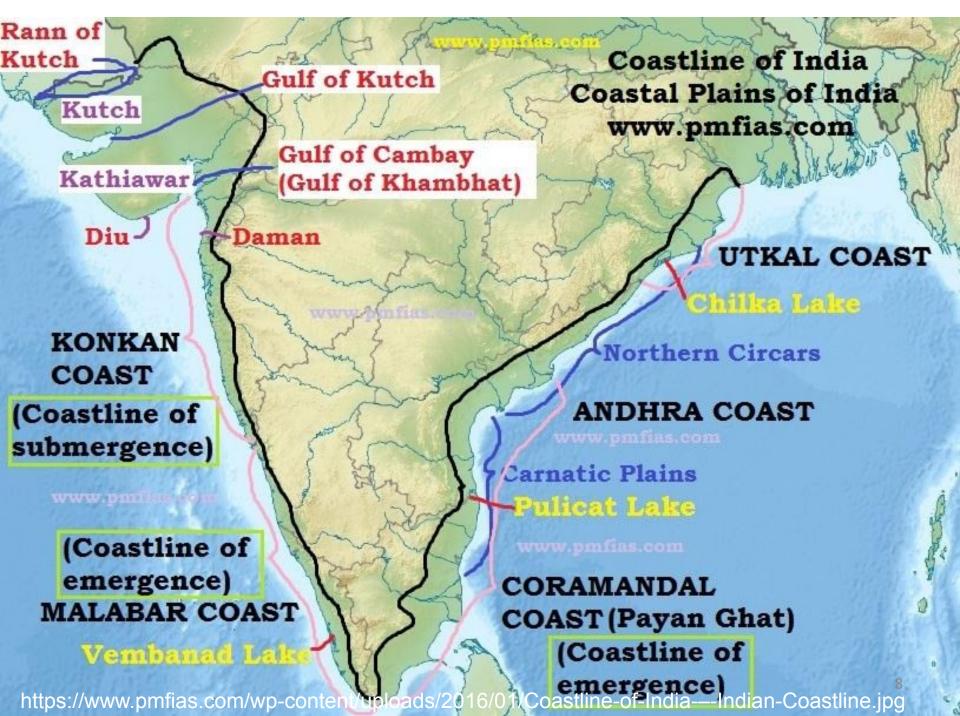




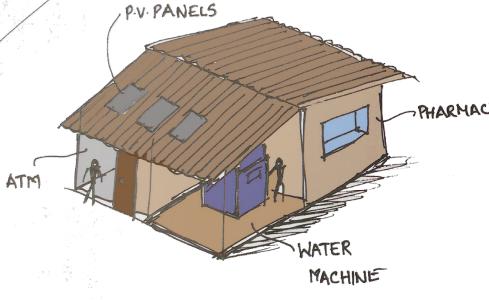




Soujit Sengupta, Rabiul Islam and others



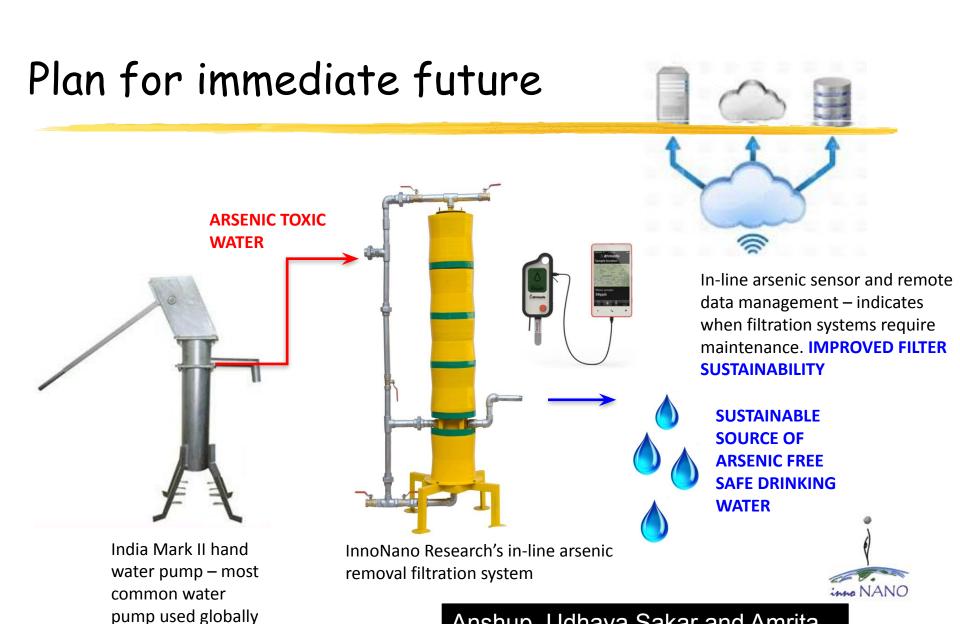






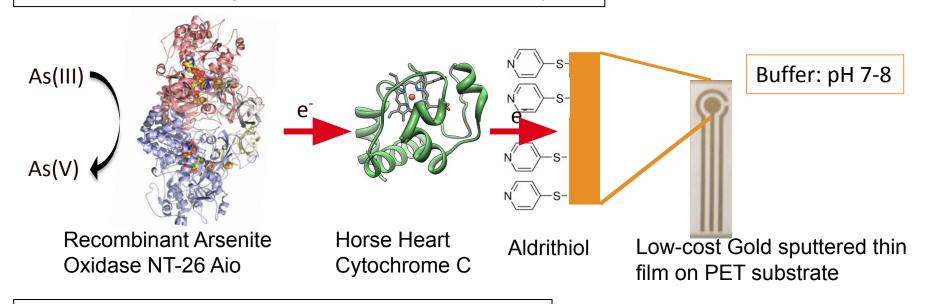
Products under implementation

Vijay Sampath, Tullio Servida

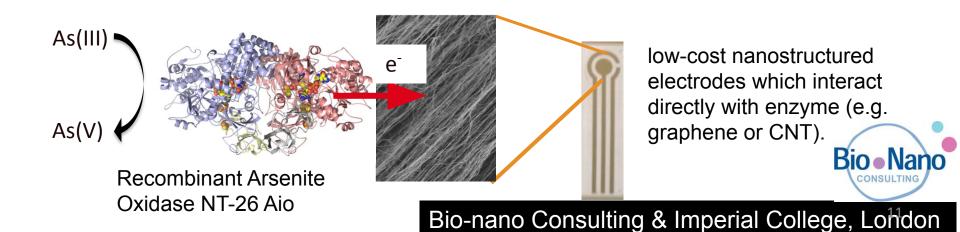


# Biosensor Design

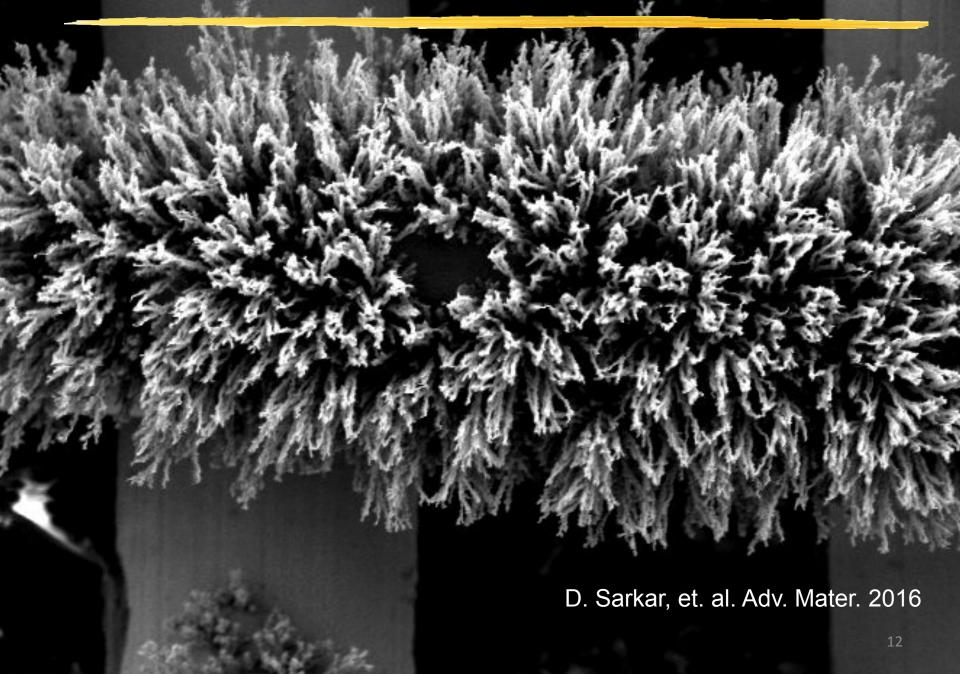
1<sup>st</sup> Generation Design (Mediated Electrochemistry)

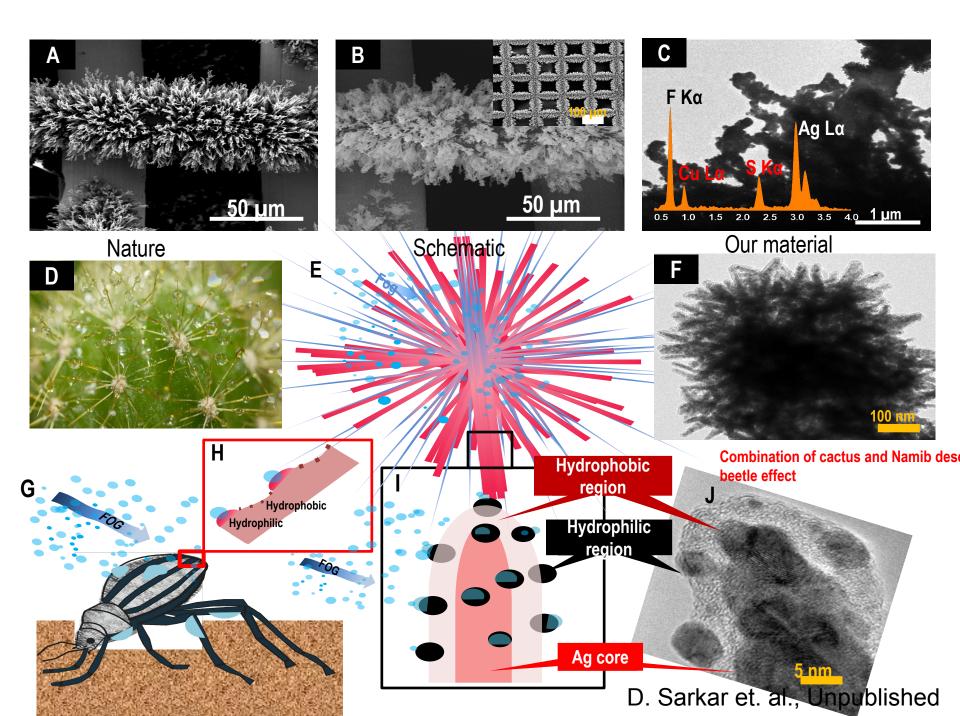


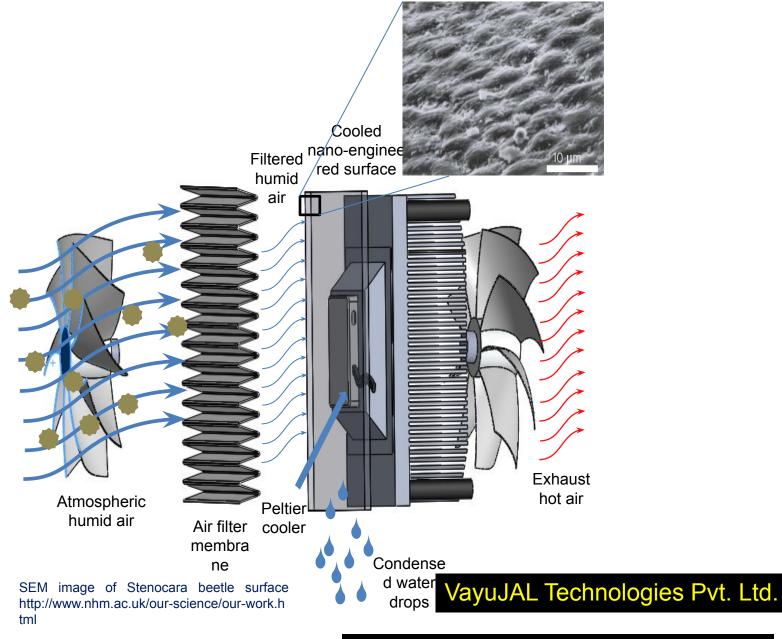
2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Design (Direct Electron Transfer)



# New harvesters

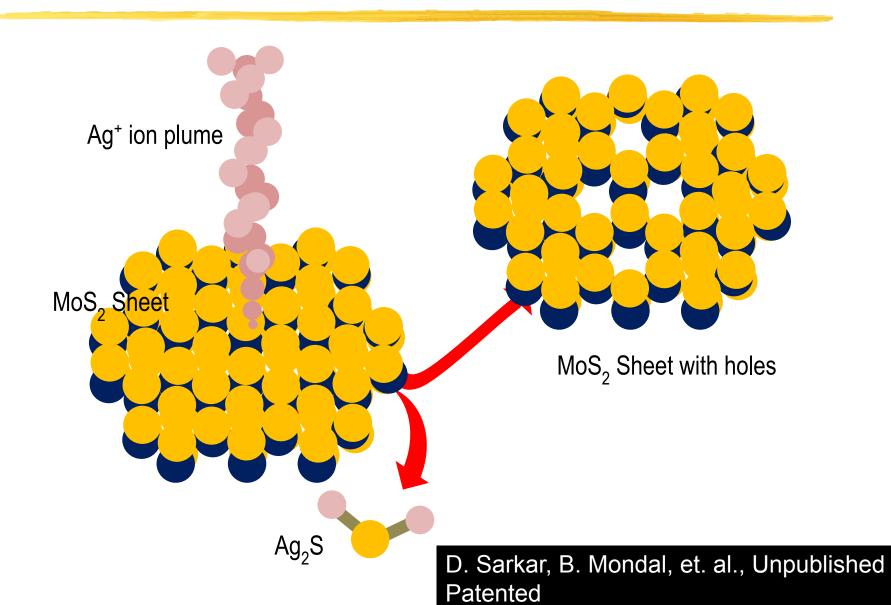


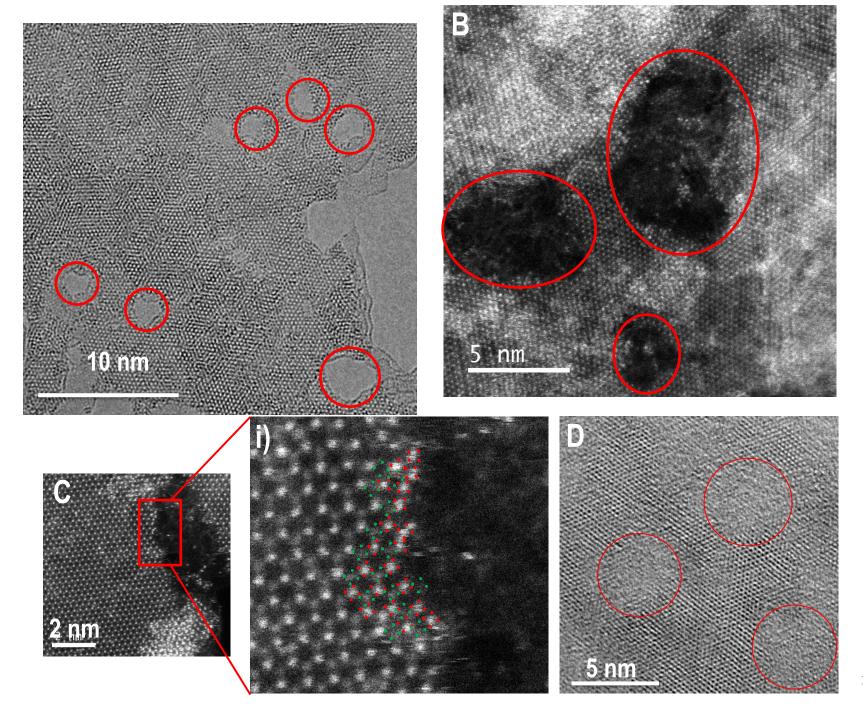


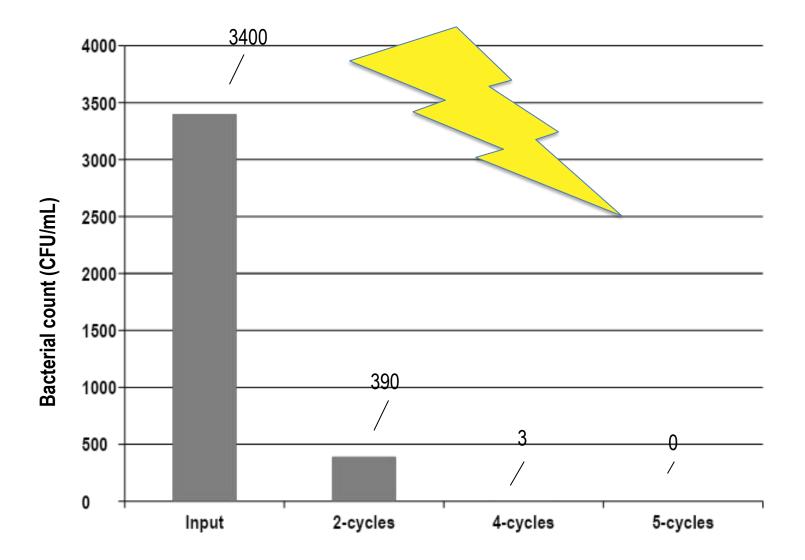


Ankit Nagar and Ramesh Kumar Soni

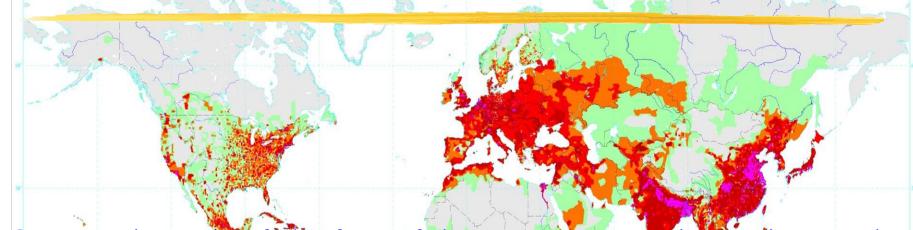
# Atomically precise holes











Every problem is dwarfed in front of the ciant water crisis looking large on the planet.

Water stress - in quantity and quality- is felt most severely by the populous countries.

Indian subcontinent is at the entre of action.

Many of the problems of water quality can be andled affordably by new technologies.

More solutions are needed with international participation.

Available technologies have to reach other parts of the world.



SCALE 1:100,000,000

0 500 1,000 2,000 3,000 4,000 5,000 6,000 7,000 8,00

KILOMETERS

https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:World\_population\_density\_1994.png











### My motivations

There is a grand challenge
There is a giant need
The idea communicates to people
I find purpose in life

# My capacity

Endurance
Focus
Capacity to build people
Institutional backing

#### My conclusions

Industry does not need papers, patents and traditional outcomes of research, but products.

Making products makes one humble. Products can be made only by standing on the past and on the giants.

You cannot invent everything in ANY product.

If a private citizen invests one rupee on you, you technology is good.

Have everything in unlimited measure, except money.

#### My recommendations

Identify the right problem

Iterate the solution in mind, repeatedly

Never miss a chance to visit an industry in the area of your work

Ask critical questions and learn from all

Give a form to the product, place it on the table

Give credits to all

#### Innovations in academic institutions

Interactive website – A window for problems and solutions Innovation in entrepreneur education Sustainability education - principles in products and practices

Technology-social science interface Common centres for prototyping National nanofabrication facility for small-scale manufacture

Technical commercialisation funds for social innovation Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC)-Type models in all sectors of innovation Enabling ESCROW accounts in all social sectors Showcasing products and entrepreneurs

#### Innovations in academic institutions

Academic rewards for entrepreneurs Grand challenge initiative – W-H-A-M-E-EN-ED National mission on instrumentation Technology business incubators (TBIs) in all institutions Legal system Statutory framework for sharing of ownership, technology, royalties Valuation of pre-revenue companies Technology appreciation Procurement / tender policy to accommodate incubated companies



