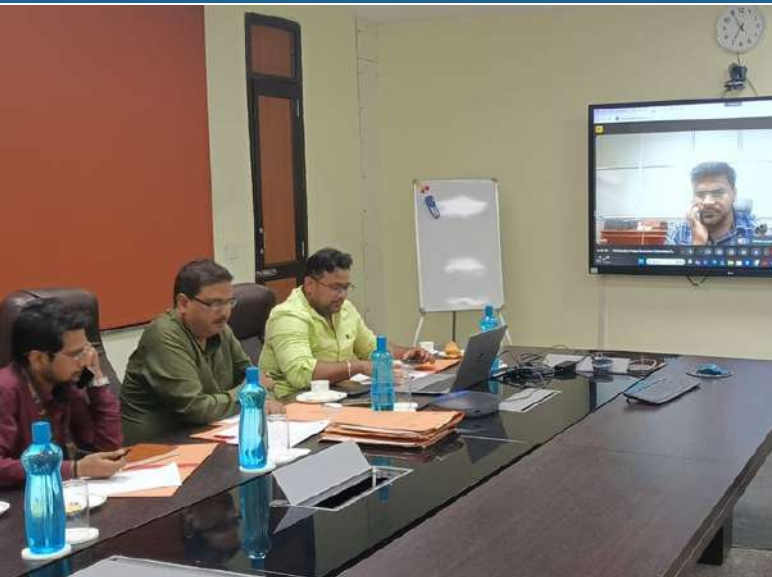




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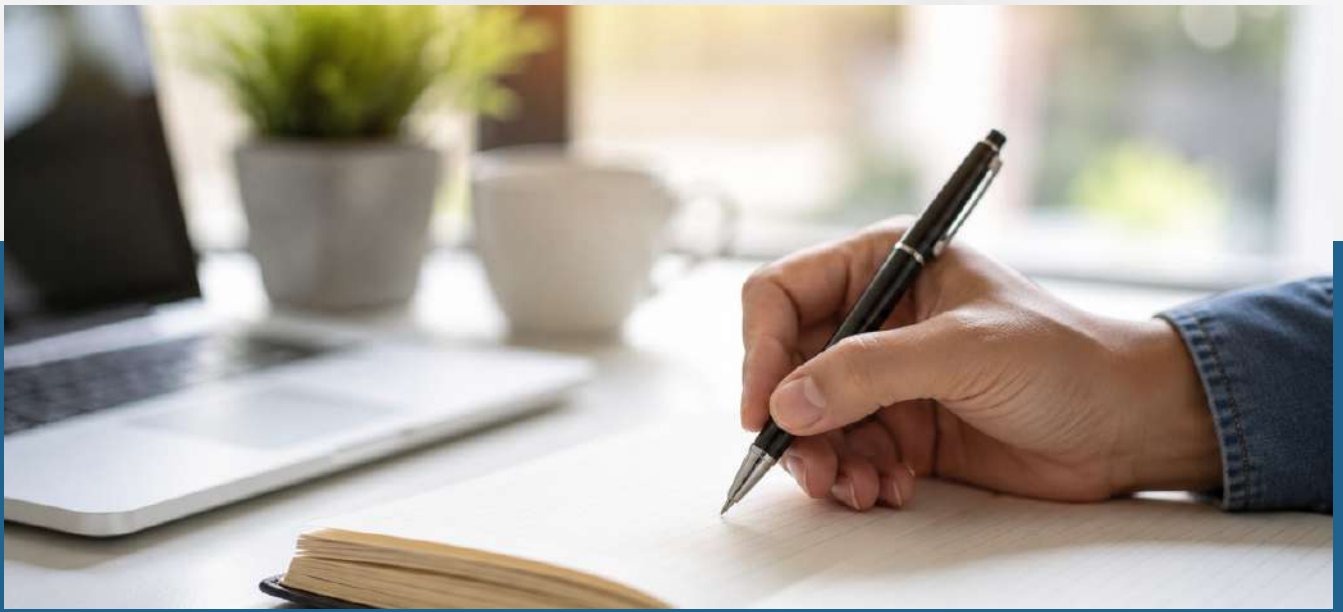
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TOP NEWS

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- Internship Scheme 2026 and Smart & Sustainable (S2) Mining Ideathon
- Visit of delegates from Coal India Limited (CIL)
- A session on “Competition analysis” concluded under the Entrepreneurship and Leadership Development Program - Cohort 2.0
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- A session on “Product Roadmap” concluded under the Entrepreneurship and Leadership Development Program - Cohort 2.0





FROM THE DESK OF HOC

As we begin the month of April 2026, I am pleased to present the main highlights that were achieved by the Centre. Some of the major activities during this period included the successful organization of the 4th SPEC Meeting at the CII Centre, IIT (ISM) Dhanbad, for the evaluation of innovative projects and discussions on their incubation and growth.

During the month, the Centre had the honor of hosting the delegates from Coal India Limited. This reception provided an opportunity to showcase the Centre's laboratories and the technology-driven innovations. Discussions on research, development, and collaborations were also encouraged during the interactions.

Sessions on "Competition Analysis" and "Product Roadmap" were successfully concluded under the Entrepreneurship and Leadership Development Program - Cohort 2.0. These sessions were designed with the intention of making participants aware of the startup landscape of India, unicorns, and how a product can be marketed efficiently.

In addition, the Kickoff Session of the Entrepreneurial Excellence Program (E2P) Cohort 3.0 was successfully conducted. It included information on the Entrepreneurial Excellence Program (E2P), future activities, mentoring programs, and a 4-month certificate-based program. It also provided knowledge about the upcoming PitchFest competition as well as expert guidance from IITs, IIMs, and Indian/USA-based industry professionals.

These activities show the centre's continued efforts toward innovation, industry collaboration, and skill development. I sincerely thank all partners, experts, participants, and the Centre team for their valuable support.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "RKSinha".

Prof. Rabindra Kumar Sinha
Head of the Centre
CIL Innovation & Incubation Centre
IIT(ISM) Dhanbad



SPEC MEETING

**4th SPEC Meeting Successfully Conducted
at CII Centre, IIT (ISM) Dhanbad**



The CII Innovation & Incubation Centre has successfully organized the 4th Standing Project Evaluation Committee (SPEC) Meeting held on 30th April 2026.

During the meeting, the SPEC members evaluated the project proposal received by the innovators. The total of 6 proponents had presented their ideas before the committee, which was followed by Q&A sessions. The Committee evaluated the project proposal and recommended one proponent for seed funding and pre-incubation. The committee also encouraged other proponents so that they could refine their proposals and resubmit them. The evaluation took place in hybrid form (online and offline) at the Conference Room of the CII Centre, IIT (ISM) Dhanbad.

This process helps the Centre identify promising ideas for pre-incubation and support students and innovators in the early stages of their entrepreneurial journey.



INTERNSHIP SCHEME 2026 AND SMART & SUSTAINABLE (S2) MINING IDEATHON PHASE -III

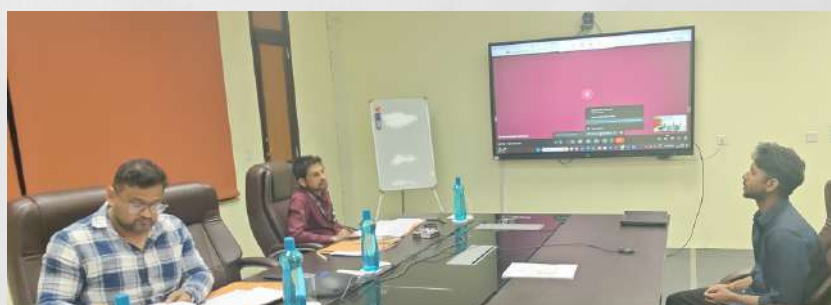
The CIL Innovation & Incubation Centre at IIT (ISM) Dhanbad evaluated the applicants registered under the Internship scheme 2026 and Smart & Sustainable (S2) Mining Ideathon from 8th April to 10th April 2026



A total of 45 applicants appeared for the evaluation process before the committee, where they were evaluated based on their skill sets required for the completion of the listed projects.

There was an active participation of students from various academic disciplines in this program, where they came up with creative ideas as well as practical solutions. The evaluation committee gave insightful feedback and evaluated the applicants depending on their skills and project proposals. Following the evaluation process, 17 candidates were selected by the committee.

These initiatives served as a great platform for young innovators to present their ideas, gain expert guidance, and take a meaningful step forward in their innovation journey.



VISIT OF A DELEGATION FROM COAL INDIA LIMITED

The CIL Innovation & Incubation Centre at IIT (ISM) Dhanbad was honored to welcome a delegation from Coal India Limited (CIL). During their visit, the product developed in the centre was demonstrated, and labs & Infrastructure were also shown.



It was a pleasure to host Shr Shri Sumit Kumar Jha, Manager (Environment)/CP, CIL, and a SPEC member of the CII Centre.

During the visit, we had a useful discussion on research and development, new technologies, and ways to work more closely between industries and academia.



ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM - COHORT 2.0

COMPETITION ANALYSIS

**Session on “COMPETITION ANALYSIS ” was
successfully concluded under the Entrepreneurship and
Leadership Development Program - Cohort 2.0**

Competition Analysis



The session was conducted in collaboration with Moonpreneur India Pvt. Ltd. The main purpose of conducting this session was to educate the participants about the process of analysing their business competitors, improving their ideas, and understanding the importance of doing so.

Different business examples and startup case studies were also demonstrated in this session, so as to give participants a practical approach to understanding market competition. Participants were further enabled to discuss customer needs, market trends, business growth, and development.

Sessions like this are demonstrative of the Centre's ongoing efforts to prepare young and dynamic innovators and can help them fulfil their dream of becoming successful entrepreneurs.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

COHORT 3.0 KICKOFF SESSION

A session on “Cohort 3.0 kickoff” was successfully concluded under the Entrepreneurship and Leadership Development Program



The Cohort 3.0 Kickoff Session was successfully organized as a step towards acquainting participants with the Entrepreneurial Excellence Program (EEP) and gaining knowledge about the upcoming activities and learning under the program. This kick-off session marked the start of a new beginning for aspiring entrepreneurs and innovators.

In the kick-off session, the participants were informed about the 4-month certification-based online course, live interactive sessions, mentoring program, and upcoming Pitchfest event in July 2026. In addition to this, the participants were informed that the guidance of faculty members from IITs, IIMs, and industry experts from India and the USA would be provided throughout the course period.



This session sparked interest among participants and motivated them to participate in this program and enhance their entrepreneurial capabilities and innovation skills. Such initiatives indicate how much the Centre has always done to encourage the upcoming entrepreneurs.

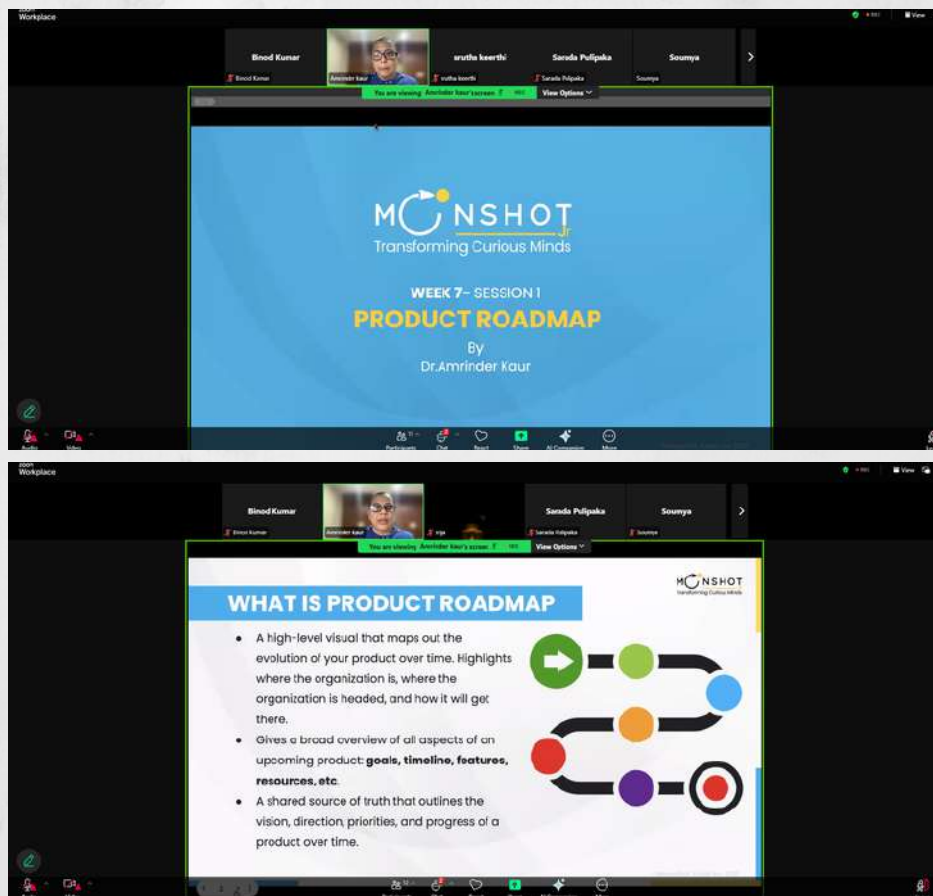
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PRODUCT ROADMAP

Session on “PRODUCT ROADMAP” was successfully concluded under the Entrepreneurship and Leadership Development Program - Cohort 2.0

The session on “Product Roadmap” was conducted to help participants understand the importance of planning and managing a product’s development journey. The session explained how a product roadmap provides a clear direction for a product by outlining its goals, features, timeline, and future growth plans.

In the course of the session, the participants understood the key elements of a product roadmap, including the product vision, prioritization, resource availability, and different phases of development. In the process of discussing examples and exchanging experiences, the participants were able to understand how startups and firms use product roadmaps as a way of managing their ideas, measuring progress, and accomplishing their goals in business.



The discussion was vibrant and informative because it not only kept the participants busy but also exercised their minds in relation to product planning and innovation strategy. Such sessions speak volumes about the Centre’s continuing effort to equip young innovators and aspiring entrepreneurs with practical knowledge and skills that are of great importance in the field.

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