

Indo-US Scientific Cooperation

Why in news?

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi's recent visit to the U.S. is likely to deepen bilateral ties in multiple strategic areas

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What are the areas of Indo-US Scientific cooperation?

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- Partnership to Advance Clean Energy.
- Joint participation in mega projects in the areas of fundamental science.
- High Intensity Superconducting Proton Accelerator.
- The Thirty Meter Telescope.
- \bullet The Laser Interferometer Gravitational Observatory. $\ensuremath{^{\backslash n}}$
- The NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar Mission.

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What areas of Governance India needs to learn from US?

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- The science, technology and innovation (STI) landscape in the U.S.
- \bullet Science administration of American federal agencies such as: $\ensuremath{^{\backslash n}}$

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1. The National Institutes of Health,

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2. The Department of Energy.

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3. The National Science Foundation.

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4. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

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5. The U.S. Department of Agriculture.

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How the ties can be strengthen?

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• A database of U.S.-based inventors, their inventions and technologies relevant to India needs to be created.

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 The collaborative partnerships and student exchange programmes between research institutions and universities need to be strengthened at various levels

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• Joint incubators, to enable Indian start-ups to introduce products in the U.S. market.

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 To facilitate U.S.-based start-ups to enter India with inflow of technologies and best business practices should be set up.

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Quick fact

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What are the ongoing Indo-US entrepreneurship initiatives?

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- U.S.-India Science and Technology Endowment Fund For the promotion of joint activities that would lead to innovation and entrepreneurship through the application of science and technology.
- The Stanford-India Bio design Programme It is a research and training collaboration for bio technology.

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• The Khorana Technology Transfer programme - This enables Indian and US university students to work and study in the partner country's research laboratories.

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