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Fostering Incubation and entrepreneurship ecosystem and leveraging technology fir social transformation have to be the objectives for HEIs, said VC IUST.

Awantipora, Nov. 16 - The valedictory of the two-day Academia-Industry Conclave 3.0 and the Tech Expo was held here today. Prof Qayoom Hussain Vice Chancellor Cluster University of Kashmir was the Chief Guest on the occasion.

In his address, Prof Shakil Ahmad Romshoo Vice Chancellor IUST talked about the initiatives taken by IUST for promotion of Innovation and Entrepreneurship under CIED. He said that HEIs can't operate in isolation and establishing tie ups between Industry and Academia are imperative. He said that IUST pursues engagement with Industry seriously to produce skilled human resource that are Future ready and are trained in cutting-edge technologies such as AI/ MI, Decision science, Data Computing etc. He said that University will encourage the innovative students to develop their ideas and extend the necessary support to translate them into profitable ventures through mentoring as well as financial support.

In his address, Prof. Qayoom Hussain, said that the events such Conclave, and Tech Expo organized reflect IUST's priorities match with requirements of the present times and speak about the devotion to excellence and resolve to emerge as a beacon of innovation and a leader in strengthening academia-industry collaborations.

Pertinently, the two-day program was inaugurated by Shri Manoj Sinha, Lieutenant Governor & Chancellor of the university on November 15, who appreciated coming together of industry leaders, experts and academia for idea-generation and contributing towards nurturing and strengthening the innovation and entrepreneurship culture.

In the valedictory function, the women entrepreneurs mentored under the Women Entrepreneurship Development Cell of the CIED were also felicitated along with the TECH expo participants. The participants of the cultural group IUST, were also felicitated. The programme also included panel discussions exploring critical themes such as Women Entrepreneurship Development, Industrial Policy, Start-up Culture in J&K, Technological Development for Cottage Industry & Ethnic Foods, and Success Stories of Start-ups in J&K, attended by experts from diverse fields.

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