

IIIT-B Innovation Center Invites Applications For The Post Of Chief Innovation Officer (CIO)

Last date for receipt of applications is May 08, 2026. Details are as follows: -

The Chief Innovation Officer will lead the Institute's innovation strategy, fostering a culture of creativity, entrepreneurship, and interdisciplinary research. The role bridges academia, industry, and startups to enhance the institution's impact in technology, research commercialization, and societal transformation.

Job Brief / Description	<p>1. Innovation Strategy & Leadership</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop and implement a comprehensive innovation roadmap aligned with institutional goals.• Identify emerging trends in technology, education, and research (AI, sustainability, deep tech, etc.).• Position the Institute as a hub for innovation and thought leadership. <p>2. Research & Commercialization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Promote translational research and support faculty in converting research into patents, products, and startups.• Oversee IP creation, technology transfer, and licensing frameworks.• Strengthen incubation centers, accelerators, manage & administer spaces for startups and research centers. <p>3. Industry & Startup Ecosystem Engagement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Build partnerships with industry, venture capitalists, and government bodies.• Facilitate sponsored research, consulting, and collaborative innovation labs.• Mentor and support student and faculty startups. <p>4. Academic Innovation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Drive curriculum innovation, including interdisciplinary programs and experiential learning models.• Promote integration of emerging technologies into teaching and learning.
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<p>Educational Qualification, Experience and skills required</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PhD or Master’s degree in Engineering, Technology, Management, or related field. • 15–20 years of experience in academia, industry, or research organizations. • Proven track record in innovation management, research commercialization, or startup ecosystem development. • Experience in leading large-scale strategic initiatives. • Strategic thinking and leadership • Strong industry and academic network • Knowledge of IP, patents, and technology transfer • Entrepreneurial mindset • Excellent stakeholder management and communication skills • Experience working with premier institutions • Exposure to startup ecosystems, venture funding, or incubation programs • International collaboration experience

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Last date for applications	<p>Interested candidates are requested to fill in the form below along with resume latest by May 08, 2026</p> <p>https://forms.gle/UwMi9sfp3hHXHm9t7</p> <p>Kindly contact HR – hr@iiitb.ac.in in case you face an issue in filling the form</p>