

# WORK IN PROGRESS

At Social Alpha, we are in the middle of a great experiment, and everything will remain a work-in-progress.

**WITH THE NEW YEAR COMES NEW BEGINNINGS.  
TEAM SOCIAL ALPHA WISHES YOU ALL A HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

## IN THE SPOTLIGHT

### ► **Winners Announced for the Prosus Social Impact Challenge for Accessibility**



Congratulations to the three winners of the Prosus Social Impact Challenge for Accessibility 2022, RUT3, Dextroware Devices, and Translead Medtech. This announcement concludes the third year of the Prosus SICA (Social Impact Challenge for Accessibility), supported by Invest India, Social Alpha, and Startup India.

The winning Assistive Technology start-ups will receive grants to help scale and expand their business to benefit those with disabilities and empower them to lead independent lives.

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### ► **We Are Proud to See Two of Our Portfolio Companies Win at the Bengaluru Tech Summit Smart Bio Awards #BTS2022**



#### **Ankita Kumar from Mocxa Awarded the "Woman Entrepreneur of the Year 2022"**

Congratulations to Ankita Kumar from Mocxa for winning the "Woman Entrepreneur of the Year 2022" at the SmartBio Awards by the Government of Karnataka, Department of IT, BT, Science & Technology.

#### **Blackfrog Won "Best Product Against Covid-19"**

Blackfrog Technologies was lauded at the SmartBio Awards by the Government of Karnataka, Department of IT, BT, Science & Technology. Congratulations to them for winning the award for "Best Product Against Covid-19."

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## PORTFOLIO UPDATE

### **Urdhvam Awarded Grant Under DBS Singapore's Flagship Program**



URDHVAM  
Environmental Technologies Pvt Ltd

DBS Foundation Singapore announced 23 awardees under its flagship grant program on Tuesday, Dec 6. The list of awardees includes 15 social enterprises and eight small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). Under the grant, SGD 3 million will be disbursed to them to help tackle social and environmental challenges.

We are happy to announce that Urdhvam Environmental Technologies Pvt. Ltd. is one of the 15 Social Enterprises and will be receiving a grant of SGD 1,50,000 under this program.

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## PROGRAM UPDATE

### **ISRO and Social Alpha Join Hands to Establish SpaceTech Innovation Platform: SpIN**



We are excited to announce our joint initiative with the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) to launch the SpaceTech Innovation Network (SpIN), India's first dedicated platform for innovation curation and venture development for the burgeoning space entrepreneurial ecosystem.

This unique public-private collaboration for start-ups and SMEs in the space industry is a significant step forward in propelling India's recent space reform policies forward, and will work towards identifying and unleashing the market potential of our most promising space tech innovators and entrepreneurs.

SpIN will primarily focus on facilitating space tech entrepreneurs in three distinct innovation categories: Geospatial Technologies and Downstream Applications; Enabling Technologies for Space & Mobility; and Aerospace Materials, Sensors, and Avionics.

Through this partnership, ISRO will support the creation of an open innovation and scale-up platform for all space ecosystem stakeholders and promote active collaboration to make early-stage space start-ups successful. Through this venture, Social Alpha makes its first entry in the area of space tech, a vertical that has the potential to grow manifolds and introduce game-changing innovations that can have lasting social and environmental impact in the coming years.

SpIN has also launched its first innovation challenge, and we encourage early-stage start-ups developing solutions in the areas of maritime and land transportation, urbanisation, mapping and surveying, disaster management, food security, sustainable agriculture, environmental monitoring, and natural resources management, among others, to apply! Applications close on February 6.

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Social Alpha's quest for innovative solutions is a continuous process that's dynamic and evolving, alive to challenges on the way. Much like a Work in Progress...we strive to honour our vision, skills, and processes to attain perfection. And, it is the journey to the destination that makes the ride rewarding.



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