## Entrepreneurship Development Institute, Tamil Nadu

## **Press release**

Entrepreneurship Development Institute of Tamil Nadu (www.editn.in ), an autonomous society of the Government of Tamil Nadu, has been functioning at the campus in SIDCO Industrial Estate. Hon'ble Chief Minister had launched New Entrepreneurs Enterprise Development Scheme (NEEDS) in the year 2013-14 to assist first generation entrepreneurs. So far 2606 entrepreneurs have been assisted under NEEDS in Chennai Region.

Entrepreneurs who start new businesses require handholding and advisory support. Further, they need to learn to networking skills. Networking skills include linking up with similar and other businesses, vendors, customers, bankers, technology suppliers, etc.

In order to assist NEEDS (New Entrepreneurs Enterprise Development Scheme) and PMEGP (Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme) entrepreneurs to network and learn from each other, a monthly networking meet is being organized by EDI on the second Friday of every month, in collaboration with the Chennai Chapter of The Indus Entrepreneurs (TiE). The first networking meet was organized on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2016 where 20 entrepreneurs got benefited and the second networking meet was organized on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2016 where 36 entrepreneurs benefited, third networking meet was organized on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2016, where 38 entrepreneurs got benefited and the 4<sup>th</sup> networking meet was organized on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2016 at PSG, Coimbatore where 52 entrepreneurs got benefited.

The next networking meet is to be organized on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at 4.00 PM at the EDI campus located at Guindy SIDCO Industrial Estate, Parthasarathy Koil Street, Ekkaduthangal, Chennai-600 032. NEEDS entrepreneurs may walk in on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at 4.00 PM. Any queries may be addressed to Deputy Director, EDI at <u>ddp@editn.in</u> or by phone at 22252081 / 22252082. This month's session will include a talk by an expert on Import & Export regulations organized by TiE. The network meet will be broadcast as a Webinar through EDI's website <u>www.editn.in</u>. Queries will also be answered online. Entrepreneurs will also stay back and use this event to network with each other over tea.

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