# RESOURCES FOR FUNDING IDEAS AT VARIOUS STAGES

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# **Seed Stage**

- Personal Savings + Severance Pay/Bonuses
- Friends and family
- Professors and college incubators
- College networks
- Crowdsourcing through FB Pages, kiva.com

# **Launch Stage: Angel Funding**

- <a href="http://yournest.in/">http://yournest.in/</a>
- http://www.indianangelnetwork.com/
- <a href="https://angel.co/india/investors">https://angel.co/india/investors</a>
- http://seedfund.in/

Network Name	Contact Person	Contact Details	Service Offered
Chennai Fund	Raghu Rajagopal	www.chennai.tie.orgraghu.rajagopal@energeate.com	Seed Funding for start ups in Tamil Nadu Promoters include R. Ramaraj and others.
Indian Angels Network	Padmaja Ruparel	IAN Consultancy Services Pvt. Ltd. B 8, Shopping Arcade, Hotel Surya Crowne Plaza, New Friends Colony, New Delhi 110 065 info@indianangelnetwork.com Phone - +91 11 4162 8566 Fax - +91 11 4162 9708	India's first Angel network with successful entrepreneurs and high profile CEOs interested in investing in early stage businesses across India.
Mumbai Angels	Vimmla	www.mumbaiangels.comvimmla@mumbaiangels.com	Platform to start up and very early stage companies; helps in bringing them face to face with investors, mentoring, inputs

			on strategy.
TiE Entrepreneurship Acceleration Program	Arindam Basu, Associate Director	Divyasree Chamber 11, O'Shaugnessy Road, Bangalore, KA - 560	
Indian Angel Networks	Padmaja Ruparel	Delhi Blue Apartme Main Ring Ro Near Safdarjung Hosp New Delhi - 110	ad, Internet High end
Investment Network	N.A.	www.investmentnetwork.in	N.A.
Angel Capital Market	N.A.	www.angelcapitalmarket.com	N.A.
Pitch India	N.A.	Aylesbury Buckinghamshire	N.A. Ltd Vay
Venture Gaint	N.A.	India Pvt. New Delhi Of Embassy Enc D5/14 Vasant Vi	erce N.A. Ltd fice love har 1057

# **Angels Investors in India**

Angel	Profile	Contact Details	Companies the	у
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Investor			Fund / Funded
Anil Godhwani	Community Center, CA and Simply Hired.com	Avendus Advisors IL&FS Financial Centre, West Quadrant - 2nd Floor, Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (East) Mumbai - 400 051 Phone: 91-22-6648-0050 Fax: 91-22-6648-0040 mumbai@avendus.com	with strategic growth advantage; IT
Arun Seth	Chairman, British Telecom Advisor, Seed Fund	BT Limited 70 Nehru Place New Delhi 110019www.bt.com Phone: +91 11 5211 9900 Fax:+91 11 5211 9901 arun@gmail.com	
Ashish Gupta		Helion Ventures Pvt Ltd First Floor, Pine Valley Embassy Golflinks Business Park Koramangala Intermediate Ring Road Bangalore 560 071 Phone: +91 80 4018 3333 Fax: +91 80 4018 3456 www.helionvc.comcontact@helionvc.com	Services; Daksh, Naukri.com, Tavant
Ashok Narasimhan	Founder, Graycell	July Systems & Technologies Pvt. Ltd. No 17/4C, 17/9C 4th Floor Maruthi Chambers Roopena Agrahara, Hosur Road Bangalore 560068 Phone: +91-80-4110-JULY Fax: +91-80-4110-1210www.julysystems.com	
B V Jagdeesh	Gabriel Venture Partners Group VP,	Gabriel Venture Partners 350 Marine Parkway, Suite 200 Redwood Shores, CA 94065 Phone:650.551.5000 Fax: 650.551.5001 Webinfo@GabrielVP.com	Technology, Internet,
	Founder, Exodus Co- Founder, e4e Chairman, Aztech	Jamcracker Software Technologies Pvt. Ltd Maruthi Chambers, e4e Towers - 1st Floor, 17/09 C, 17/4C. Rupena Agrahara, Hosur Road, Bangalore 560 068 India, Phone: +91 (0)80 66171717 Fax: +91 (0)80 66171723 <a href="https://www.jamcracker.com">www.jamcracker.com</a> info@jamcracker.com	Development Ventures in US and
Kanwal Rekhi	Founder, Inventus Co- founder and President - TiE Global Founder Excelan Executive VP, Novell Inc Investor, Seed Fund	Inventus Capital Partners 3000 Sand Hill Road, Menlo Park, CA 94025	Early stage technology companies; Hotmail, Exodus, Kaboodle, Apptivity, CyberMedia.

			Mediaway, Zietnet, Sierra Atlantic, and Versata.Ensim, Instantis, 123SignUp, and Paramark
Kumar Malavalli		Brocade Communications Systems Private Limited (India) Level 2, Raheja Centre Point 294 CST Road, Near Mumbai University Off Bandra-Kurla Complex, Kalina, Santacruz (East) Mumbai - 400098 India Tel: +91 22 6707 8711 Fax: +91 22 6707 8711 E-mail: apac-info@brocade.com	Start Ups -Alpine technologies, Clover Leaf
Dr R Chenraj Jain	Chairman, Jain Group of Institutions	Jain Group of Institutions No. 91/2, Dr A N KrishnaRao Road, V V Puram, Banaglore - 560 004. Phone: 080 26615246 info@jaingroup.infowww.jgi.ac.in	
N S Raghavan		Nadathur Holdings and Investments Pvt. Ltd. # 278/23, 3rd Floor, 10th Main, T.Mariappa Road, 2nd Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore 560 011. Phone: 91 80 41204336/37/38 Fax: 91 80 41204339 info@nadathur.com	and innovation driven Indian ventures :
Rajesh Jain	Managing Director & CEO, Net Core Solution	Chambers, Peninsula Corporate Park, Ganpat Rao Kadam Marg, Lower Parel (West), Mumbai 400 013.	
Sanjeev Agarwal	Advisor, Helion	Helion Ventures Pvt Ltd First Floor, Pine Valley Embassy Golflinks Business Park Koramangala Intermediate Ring Road Bangalore 560 071 Phone: +91 80 4018 3333 Fax: +91 80 4018 3456 www.helionvc.comcontact@helionvc.com	Zmanda, Anantara, Komli, Gridstone,
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SOURCE: http://www.startbizindia.in/angel\_investors\_india.php

# SPECIAL FOR SOCIAL SECTOR BUSINESS IDEAS

- http://www.aavishkaar.in/
- https://www.ashoka.org/node/2659
- http://www.accion.org/
- http://acumenfund.org/
- http://anavoglobal.com/about-us/
- http://www.ankurcapital.com/
- http://www.beyondcapitalfund.org/
- http://theeleosfoundation.com/
- http://www.ennovent.com/fund/fundDetails/page/fund\_overview
- http://www.gbfund.org/
- http://firstlight.vc/

# **Venture Capital Stage**

- http://www.accel.com/
- http://www.sequoiacap.com/india
- <a href="http://www.dfj.com/">http://www.dfj.com/</a>
- <a href="http://www.canaan.com/">http://www.canaan.com/</a>
- http://lightspeedindia.wordpress.com/
- http://www.legatum.com/ventures
- http://www.matrix.in/
- http://www.nea.com/
- http://www.mayfield.com/
- http://www.svb.com/

# **FUNDING Dos and Donts**

Based on inputs from founders of funded start-ups in India

- Start small and show some revenue/get the model running
- Reference business models abroad in presentations. Don't hide the fact
- Do your homework on ALL numbers and projections. Do a sensitivity analysis on the numbers for various scenarios that might pop up during discussion
- Prepare cover letters, documents, short and long pitches to be prepared to leverage any situation
- Prepare an easy-to-understand analogy/metaphor
- Talk to more than one investor simultaneously. Don't wait for a rejection to pick another name form your list
- Talk to your batchmates and friendswho received funding to get personal insights on prospective funder

### DONT

- Be too secretive about the business plan. Someone out there must have thought of the idea before. Instead collaborate and ask for more ideas
- Over project and then lose face before probing questions by investors
- Wait for funding to get started. In India, funding for only ideas is rare, investors want to see something on the ground irrespective of stage of funding
- Have a part time job: shows lack of confidence or lack of interest
- Lose heart after multiple rejections. Incorporate suggestions and learnings as you go
- Change your business plan after every rejection
- Lose touch with some potential investor you have pitched to. Keep him/her updated about progress in your venture