



Entrepreneurship and its Impact on the Economic Development of India

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ABSTRACT

A key consideration in any nation's economic progress is entrepreneurship. A country's economic prosperity is largely dependent on entrepreneurship, which creates jobs, boosts national income, develops rural areas, industrializes the economy, advances technology, promotes exports, and other factors. Entrepreneurship has a favorable effect on economic growth because of its good effects on capital formation, employment creation, living standards, wealth generation, export trade, and national development. It's imperative for entrepreneurs to stay current with emerging company developments. Without the appropriate tools, managers, entrepreneurs, and other business-driven individuals just cannot compete in today's market. Entrepreneurship progresses in tandem with the Internet revolution. These days, all it takes to thrive in business is having access to the Internet and a gadget that allows you to access it. This is because there are always new and simpler ways to create a business. Once an entrepreneur has these two, all they need to do is learn and become proficient with the various web tools that are accessible to turn their idea into a profitable business. Entrepreneurs are the driving force behind economic growth, job creation, and innovation in the Indian economy. Their activities lead to increased productivity, wealth creation, and improved living standards for many, making them a vital component of India's economic development. This paper highlights entrepreneurship and its impact on India's economic development with the use of the latest available resources of secondary data published in journals, books, magazines, and various articles on the internet.

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1. Introduction:

Entrepreneurs have a crucial role in determining the economic process of a country by generating wealth and employment, providing goods and services, and collecting taxes for the government. As a result, entrepreneurship is strongly associated with economic growth in a country. Through innovations, entrepreneurs transform ideas into business prospects, which is regarded as a key source of competitiveness in a world economy that is becoming more and more globalized. As a result, the majority of governments worldwide work to increase the number of globally competitive entrepreneurs in their own nations. The systematic and structured transformation of an individual into an entrepreneur is known as entrepreneurial development. The process of producing an entrepreneur involves imparting the necessary knowledge, helping someone acquire technical, financial, management, marketing, and entrepreneurial abilities, as well as helping them establish an entrepreneurial mindset. Programmes for enhancing an individual's entrepreneurial drive and developing the skills and abilities required to carry out their entrepreneurial position successfully are known as entrepreneurial development programmes (Khandelwal J., 2017).

2. Concept of Entrepreneur and Entrepreneurship:

Definition of Entrepreneur:

The word "Entrepreneur" comes from the verb "Entreprendre," which in French means "to undertake." Numerous definitions exist for the term "Entrepreneur." Nonetheless, there isn't agreement on what constitutes a standard definition of a "entrepreneur."

Examining the several definitions of "Entrepreneur" analytically is necessary in order to comprehend the term, some of definitions are given below-

- (a) An entrepreneur is defined as "A person who establishes a business or firm and incurs financial risks in the hope of making money" by the *Oxford Dictionary*.
- (b) "A person who takes the risk of running a business in the face of uncertainty about future situations" is the definition of an entrepreneur according to the *International Encyclopedia*.

(c) An entrepreneur is a person who has founded a new firm when none previously existed, according to *W.B. Gartner*.

In a nutshell it is clear that an entrepreneur is a driven person who is prepared to put in a lot of effort to accomplish their goals. They continue to engage in specific behaviors that allow them to be both physically and professionally healthy (Tamanna R, 2020).

Definition of Entrepreneurship:

The actions an entrepreneur takes to start a business are referred to as "Entrepreneurship". It's a creative and resource-conscious approach. It is a sequence of actions intended to further the goals of the business owner. Being an entrepreneur is a complicated skill that results from a number of traits and attributes.

(a) According to *V.R. Gaikwad (1967)*, Entrepreneurship can showcase intuition, a willingness to take a chance in the face of uncertainty, and innovation.

(b) "Entrepreneurial tasks are any creative endeavors that may have an effect on an entrepreneur's financial security," stated *Joseph A. Schumpeter in 1934*.

(c) According to *H.N. Pathak (1972)*, Entrepreneurship is the process of spotting an opportunity, launching a company, and overseeing it as a successful, ongoing, and growing enterprise.

In summary, Entrepreneurship is a complex phenomenon. It generally has to do with the business owner, his vision, and the manner in which that vision is realized. Entrepreneurship is the propensity to confidently take measured risks in order to achieve a predetermined business or industrial goal. It basically refers to a person's ability to make prudent decisions while also taking measured risks (iEduots, 2021).

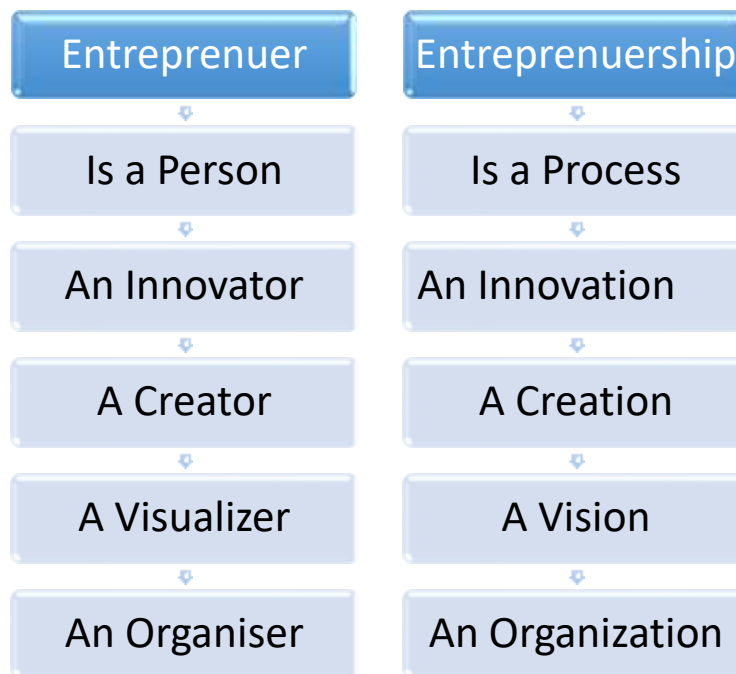


Fig 1: Difference between Entrepreneur and Entrepreneurship

3. Entrepreneurship Development Process:

The process of improving entrepreneurial knowledge and skills through organized training programmes is known as "Entrepreneurship Development." It covers the dynamics of business, including its growth and development, as well as the study of entrepreneurial activity. The goals of entrepreneurship development programmes are to inspire people to become entrepreneurs and to help current entrepreneurs become more knowledgeable and skilled. In the end, it contributes to the growth of such people inside an economy. Training those who want to start their own business or grow an existing one is the main goal of entrepreneur development. Additionally, it focuses more on promoting innovation and assessing an organization's potential for growth. This method of development promotes in the improvement of performance, goal achievement, and business expansion for new organizations. A country's economy subsequently grows as a result. Additionally, it helps business owners better develop and oversee their enterprise and all of the financial uncertainties that go along with it.

Simply to put it clearly, the process of entrepreneurship development involves helping business owners improve their abilities through coaching and training sessions. It motivates people to exercise better judgement and make thoughtful decisions in all business-related activities.

A rise in the rates at which entrepreneurial initiatives develop, helps an economy's unemployment issue. Additionally, it minimizes the issue of stagnation and raises competition in the market. This kind of process aims to improve an entrepreneur's and their venture's competence. As a result, it strengthens entrepreneurial goals and inspires more people to start their own businesses (Anand A., 2023).

4. Impact of Entrepreneurship on Economic Development of Nation:

The process of starting and maintaining a new company with the goal of making money is known as entrepreneurship. It is an essential component of economic development and progress in both developed and developing nations. In the end, consumers gain from entrepreneurial activity because it stimulates innovation, market rivalry, and the creation of new jobs.



Fig 2: Role of Entrepreneurship in Economic Development

One of the main forces behind economic development and expansion is entrepreneurship. Entrepreneurship boosts the gross national product and per capita income by generating new companies and jobs. This is especially crucial for emerging nations like India, where unemployment and poverty are serious problems. Indeed, research has demonstrated a strong correlation between economic growth and entrepreneurial activity. According to past studies on entrepreneurship, nations with high levels of entrepreneurial activity typically have faster rates of economic expansion. Additionally, entrepreneurship is crucial for encouraging balanced regional development. Entrepreneurship can contribute to the reduction of regional inequities and the promotion of overall development by generating new enterprises and job opportunities in previously undeveloped areas.

It is impossible to overstate the importance of entrepreneurship to economic progress.

5. Literature Review:

Dr. Sushmita B Waraich and Renu Sharma (2012): They stressed that when the job market reaches saturation, there may soon be no more openings and that encouraging entrepreneurship will support employment growth and development in the economy.

Chanchal Mukherjee (2015): She emphasized that the current educational system does not teach entrepreneurship skills. Students waste current business chances by studying exclusively according to the college syllabus, limiting their study time for exams, and not applying their highly creative and prospective minds to the practical application of their commerce education.

Sharma Manoj and Mitra Anupam (2019): Their study focused on how education contributes to the creation of high-caliber job opportunities and how it interacts with the startup environment. The results of the study demonstrate a close connection between the processes of entrepreneurship education and its development.

Smt. Gayatri Sunkad (2021): She emphasized that industries play a big part in modern man's economic activity. A country's industrial expansion has a significant role in defining its level of economic development. Industries are the backbone of modern society since they provide us with employment opportunities and the necessities of life.

Dr. Yoganandham & Abdul Kareem (2023) : They discovered that entrepreneurship promotes wealth creation and the organized distribution of economic resources, increases capital formation, generates a large number of jobs, raises living standards for the populace, increases Gross National Product (GNP) and per capita income, promotes export trade, and contributes to the overall development of the country.

6. Objective of the Study:

The primary goal of this research article is to analyze the theoretical aspects of the process of assessing the impact of entrepreneurship on Indian economic growth with the aid of secondary sources of information and statistical data relevant to the research article's theme in accordance with development in the context of globalization.

7. Methodology of the Study:

Secondary data is the primary source of information used in this investigation. This study is a conceptual survey that combines exploratory and descriptive methods. Websites, journals, magazines, newspapers, and books have all provided information for this study.

8. Discussion & Key Findings:

The availability of finance is one of the main reasons that entrepreneurship has grown in India. Numerous domestic and foreign venture capital firms invest in Indian businesses, demonstrating the strength of the country's venture capital ecosystem. Indian entrepreneurs increased their capital from \$10.6 billion in 2020 to a record \$26.3 billion in 2021. This has facilitated quicker business scaling for entrepreneurs and made it simpler for them to obtain capital for their endeavors.

The availability of talent has also played a role in the rise of entrepreneurship in India. There is a large pool of competent workers in India that are eager to work for startups. These workers include engineers, developers, and data scientists. Startups now find it simpler to identify and hire the people they require to grow their companies.

With a flourishing startup ecosystem supporting over 50,000 firms, India has become one of the world's attractive locations for entrepreneurs. By 2025, the startup ecosystem in India is predicted to generate over 12.5 lakh direct employment, as per a Nasscom report. This is now feasible because of the government's promotion of the digital economy, which has improved the climate for innovation and entrepreneurship.

It is found that, the economy of India has been significantly impacted by the growth of innovation and entrepreneurship in the country. Small and startup companies have become important drivers of job growth, providing millions of people in both urban and rural regions with chances for work. In addition to lowering unemployment rates, this boom in job creation raises living standards generally. Furthermore, the entrepreneurial environment has drawn substantial international and domestic investment, promoting economic growth and establishing India as a hub for innovation and investment worldwide. (Nasscom report, 2023).

9. Conclusion:

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India is well on its path to become a global leader in innovation and entrepreneurship. Transformative growth has been made possible by an integration of advantageous government policies, technical advancements, and a thriving entrepreneurial ecosystem. India is positioned to influence industry trends, propel economic growth, and have a big influence on the world stage as long as it keeps empowering entrepreneurs, encouraging innovation, and fostering teamwork.

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