

# IDEABANK@IGNOU

## Launched on the Occasion of World Creativity and Innovation Day

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Ideas are pivotal to the overall growth and excellence of any organization around the world. The National Centre for Innovation in Distance Education has created IDEABANK@IGNOU which is a virtual pool for ideas and applications in the cloud. Ideas from various stake holders and functionaries of ODL system will be gathered, and disseminated. It is also envisaged that a large group of people will collaborate on various projects for the development of an idea into a prototype or a product.



### Features of IDEABANK@IGNOU

Some of the important features are given below :

- It is a one stop portal at IGNOU to submit and discuss ideas, develop ideas to prototypes or products, collaborate in teams, and document and disseminate ideas and innovative practices.
- It has a colour coded system for various categories of ideas for the end user to easily co-relate to.
- It is user friendly, mobile friendly, accessible to all the users, idea architecture is well planned, simple navigation etc.
- It is hosted on cloud architecture which is a robust, flexible, and reliable with multiple layers of security, including HTTPS and TLS.

### Some Important tabs of IDEABANK@IGNOU

One can go through the various sections of IDEABANK@IGNOU through tabs placed on top of the portal. For example, the SUBMIT IDEA tab will enable you to submit an idea. With the EXPLORE IDEAS tab you can view and discuss various ideas divided into categories. On clicking the DISCUSS IDEAS you can discuss ideas, reply to available ideas as well through the discussion forum. On clicking IDEAS TO PROTOTYPE tab you will come across some innovative prototypes designed and developed by IGNOU faculty.

On the occasion of World Creativity and Innovation Day, which was celebrated by NCIDE on 22nd April, 2019 IDEABANK@IGNOU was launched. Prof. Om. Vikas, Former Director, ABV-IIITM, Gwalior mentioned that people have been talking about mechanisms for embracing innovative ideas and they also talk about idea bank and IGNOU has already taken a step in this direction. He suggested in-built mechanisms for interaction between teachers and students discussing on ideas and innovations. Currently, the portal is open to potential ideators, however in the future, the web based IDEA BANK@IGNOU will be made accessible to all. It is envisaged that gradually it will be linked to innovation management system for IGNOU in particular and the entire ODL system in general.