Chhattisgarh – Chhattisgarh Startup Package (Under Industrial Development Policy 2024–2030)

Definitions & Eligibility

Startup Recognition: Must hold a valid DPIIT startup certificate issued by Government of India.

Turnover Limit:

Manufacturing units: Turnover must not exceed ₹25 crore in any financial year.

Service activities: Turnover must not exceed ₹10 crore in any financial year.

Innovation Focus: Startup must work on innovation, technological improvement, or process simplification that strengthens the economy.

Exclusions: Units formed by division/reconstruction of an existing business, or those listed as ineligible in policy annexures, are excluded.

Tenure: Not considered a startup after 10 years from date of incorporation.

Eligibility Conditions

State Approval: Applications are reviewed and approved by the State-Level Startup Promotion Committee.

Portal Registration: Mandatory registration on the Chhattisgarh Startup Portal; acknowledgment certificate valid for 5 years for availing subsidies/exemptions.

State-Level Startup Promotion Committee

Composition: Includes Director of Industry (President), MSME/Finance/CHiPS representatives, Subject Experts.

Functions:

Monthly meetings to approve startups, examine incubation center progress, approve subsidies/exemptions, and other startup promotion decisions.

Investment Incentives

(a) Financial Subsidies

Corpus Fund: Separate ₹50 crore fund for promoting recognized startups (plus contributions from CSR).

Seed Funding: ₹5 lakh at initial stage, based on incubation center's recommendation.

Operational Assistance:

₹3 lakh after 6 months of production/service start.

Additional ₹3 lakh after 18 months.

Credit Risk Fund: Separate ₹50 crore fund for risk cover.

Rent Subsidy: 40% of monthly rent (max ₹15,000/month) for 3 years, for units in rented/incubation spaces.

Stamp Duty Exemption:

100% on land purchase/lease (min 5-year lease), and on term loans for up to 3 years.

Project Report Subsidy: 1% of approved fixed capital investment, up to ₹5 lakh.

Quality Certification/Patent/Technology Subsidies:

80% for certification (up to ₹10 lakh),

50% for patents (up to ₹10 lakh),

50% for technology purchase (up to ₹10 lakh).

Non-duplication Clause: Can’t claim similar benefits for the same component from both state and central government.

Priority Groups: SC/ST/women/disabled/ex-servicemen/Naxalism-affected get 10% extra subsidy and 1-year extension on exemptions.

(b) Non-Financial Facilities

Labour Law Exemptions: Self-certification basis for initial years for compliance under:

Factories Act, Shops & Establishments Act, Contract Labour Act, Minimum Wages Act, Maternity Benefit Act.

Shift Operations: Startups allowed to operate three shifts, including women workers, with proper security.

Startup Fests: Regular events for startup selection, development, networking with investors.

Academic Linkages: Coordination with educational institutions for guidance.

Single Window System: Udyam Akansha online registration for ease of approval and clearances.

Incubators

Establishment Subsidy: 40% of setup cost, up to ₹40 lakh.

Operational Support:

Divisional HQs: ₹5 lakh/year (up to 5 years).

Other districts: Up to ₹3 lakh/year.

Minimum Incubation: HQ incubators must support at least 10 startups (15 seating capacity); other districts at least 5 startups (10 seating capacity).

Reporting: Half-yearly progress reports required; incubators provide subsidy/facility recommendations.

Cross-District Incubation: Startups from districts without incubators may apply to another district.

General Provisions

Regulation: All subsidies/exemptions governed by notifications under Industrial Development Policy 2024–30.

Source: Chhattisgarh Startup Policy (under Industrial Development Policy)

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