

The Nature and Role of Research and Development in Defence Preparedness

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The global perspective

- In the contemporary world, remote economic exploitation and capacity to affect the policies of the other nations has replaced physical occupation that was prevalent during 17th-20th centuries
- **Technology leadership** is the means and military might is a lever for remote economic exploitation
- Our national security strategy is to “Protect our national boundaries, economic interests and deter our potential adversaries against any adventurism”. DRDO empowers the nation by developing defence technologies
- Technology empowerment of the nation enhances its esteem in the comity of nations and also spurs a snowballing secondary and tertiary economic growth and employment generation
- As a nation we are trying to break in the league of influential nations and have no choice but to bridge the technology gap

Our threats in near future

- Aggressive marketing by major holders of technology IPs
- Faster obsolescence
- Availability of technologies (The key limitation of ToT is that only production drawings are shared whereas equipment evolution to the contemporary design is the key)
- Limited industrial capacities
- Lack of expertise within the country
- Potential of premier Academic Institutions remains largely untapped due to policy limitations

Catch 22 for the country

- Services 15 year acquisition plan is called Long Term Integrated Perspective Plan (LTIPP), the present one covers the period 2012-2027
- DDR&D's LTTTP is in consonance with the LTIPP, for maximizing inductions of DRDO developed products.
- Services prepare the LTIPP based on their threat perception, operational directives and global visibility of systems as reported by Journals like Jane's Defence review, SIPRI, etc. This creates a catch 22 situation for DRDO. As Services project systems evolved and benchmarked elsewhere, DRDO mostly has to do the catch up
- DRDO can come out of it by showcasing customized novel indigenous systems to the Services based on technologies not reported elsewhere. Then the Services are likely to evolve their war doctrines on DRDO technologies

Defence R&D Leading to

Production

TRL

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System Development

- MM Projects
- JVs
- Collaborations

Technology Demonstration

- TD Projects
- JVs
- Collaborations/Consortiums

R&D

- S&T and IF Projects
- CARS
- Consortiums

Concept

LTIPP

SQRs

ORs

LTTPP

Tech Forecasts

World Scenarios

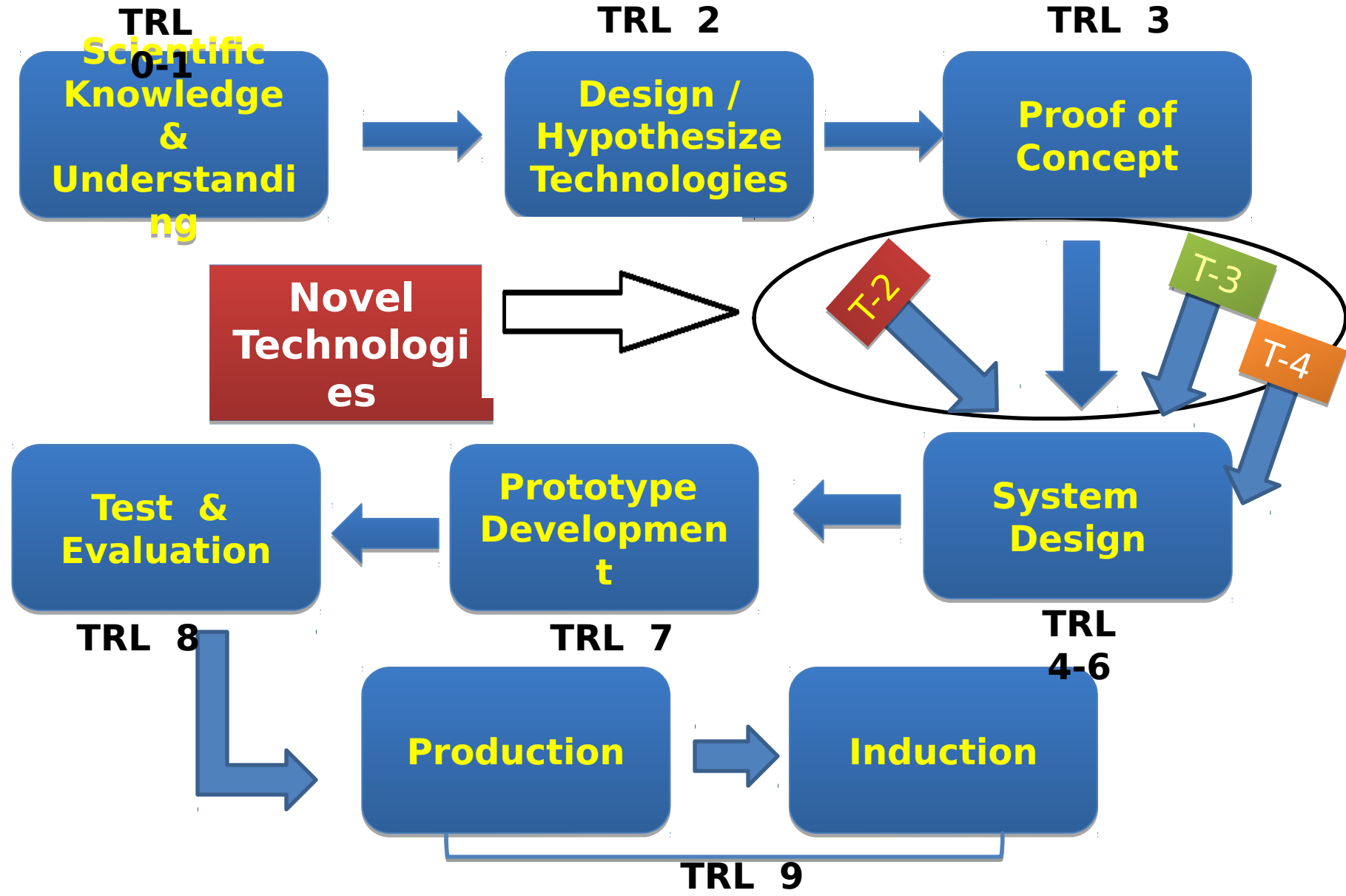
Modes of Projects

1. Mission Mode
2. Technology Demonstration
3. Science & Technology
4. Infrastructure & Facilities
5. Product Support
6. Mission Mode-User Trial

Partners

- Armed Forces
- CAPFs
- Academia
- Industries
- R&D institutions

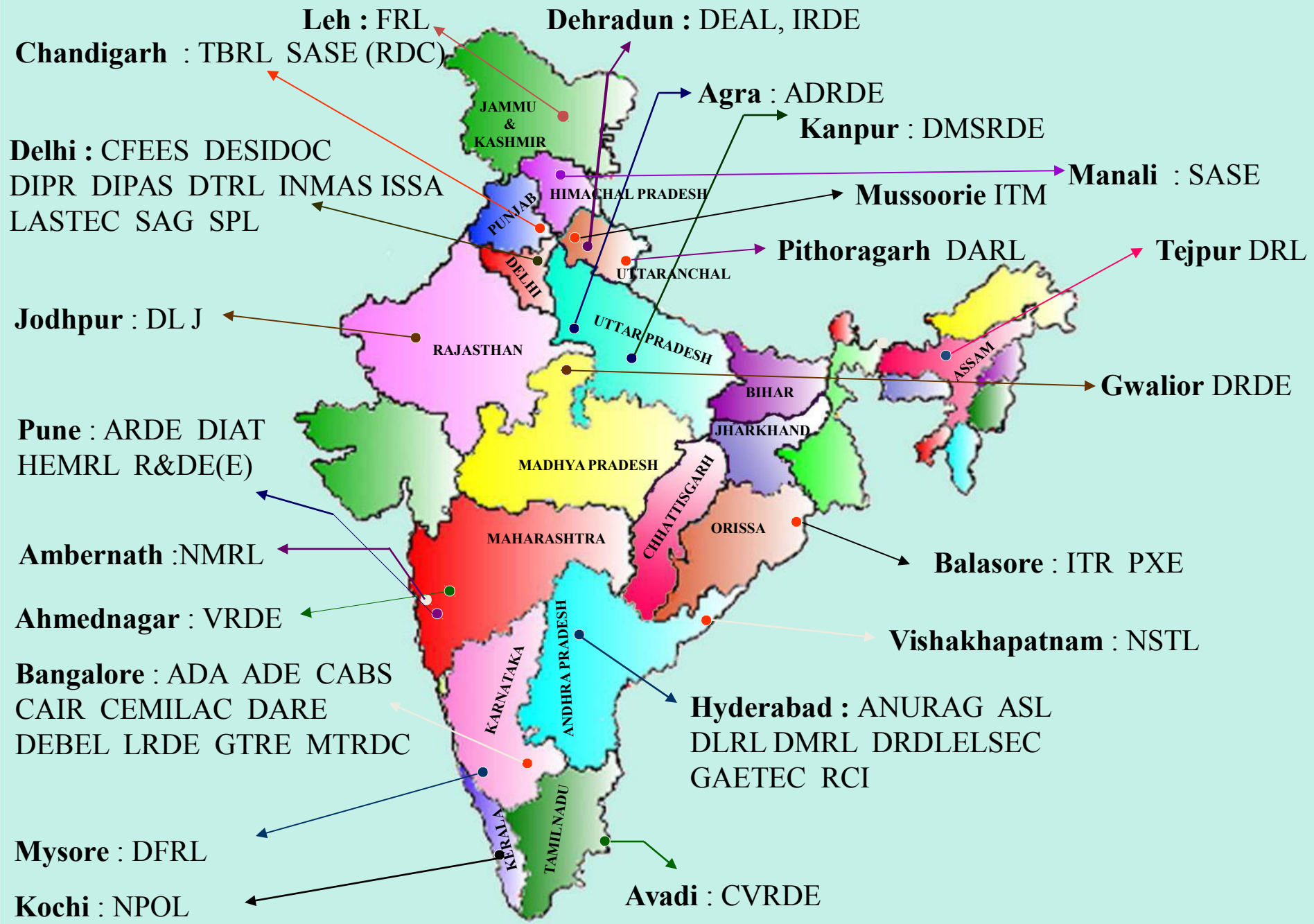
Steps in converting scientific knowledge to products for Induction



Department of Defence R&D Organisation

- **The largest R&D Organization in the Country (59 years old)**
- **Mandated to strengthen the Armed Forces**
- **Activities aligned with the National Defence Strategy**
- **Clustered into technological domains**
- **Strong partnership with**
 - **over 150 academic institutions,**
 - **15 National S&T Agencies,**
 - **8 DPSUs, OFBs, PSUs and**
 - **nearly 800 private sector enterprises.**

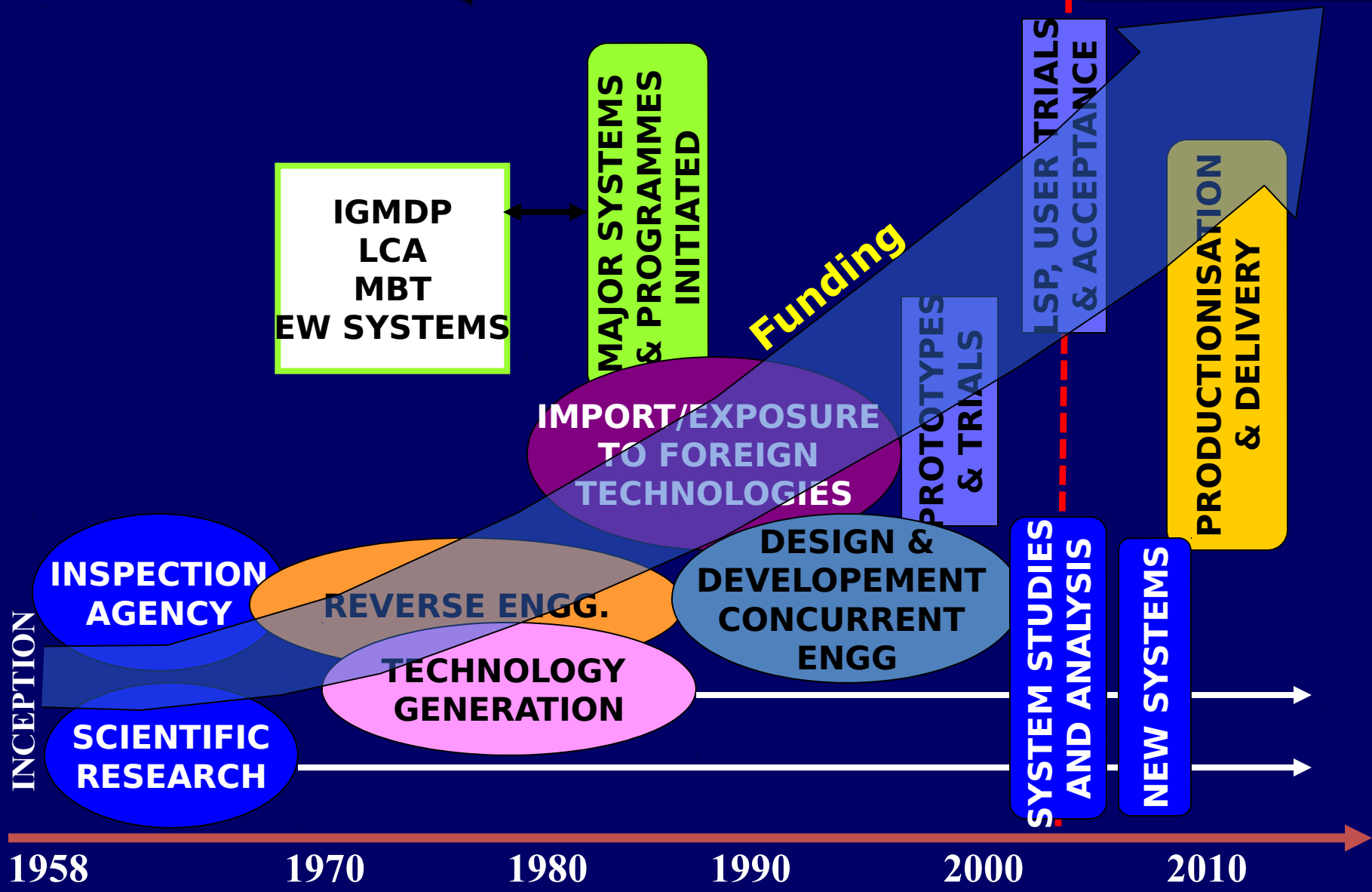
DRDO is the R&D back bone ADA, ATPV and many others are also there designated roles



Growth Profile

In-house Development

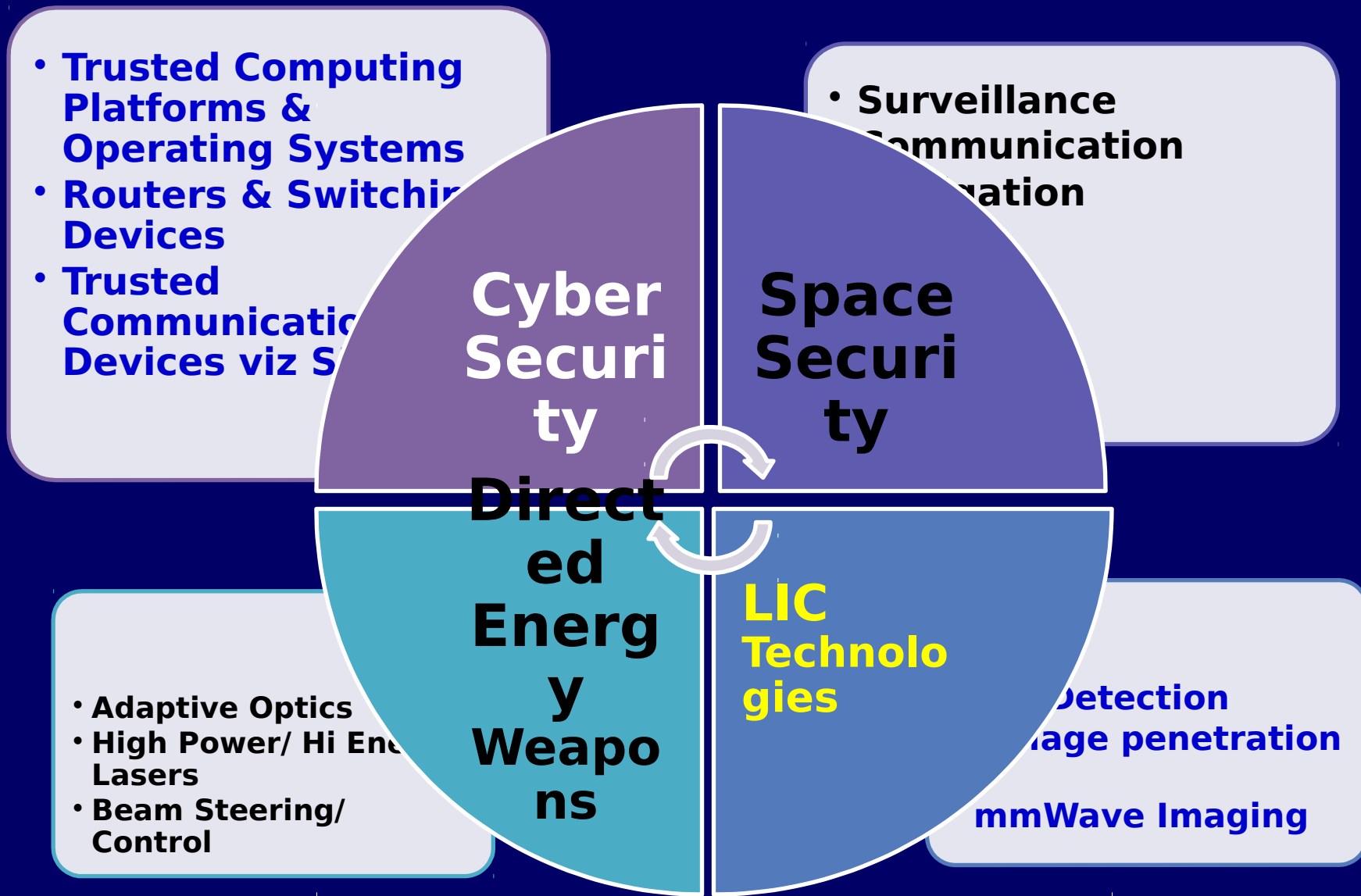
Intl. collaboration as equal partners



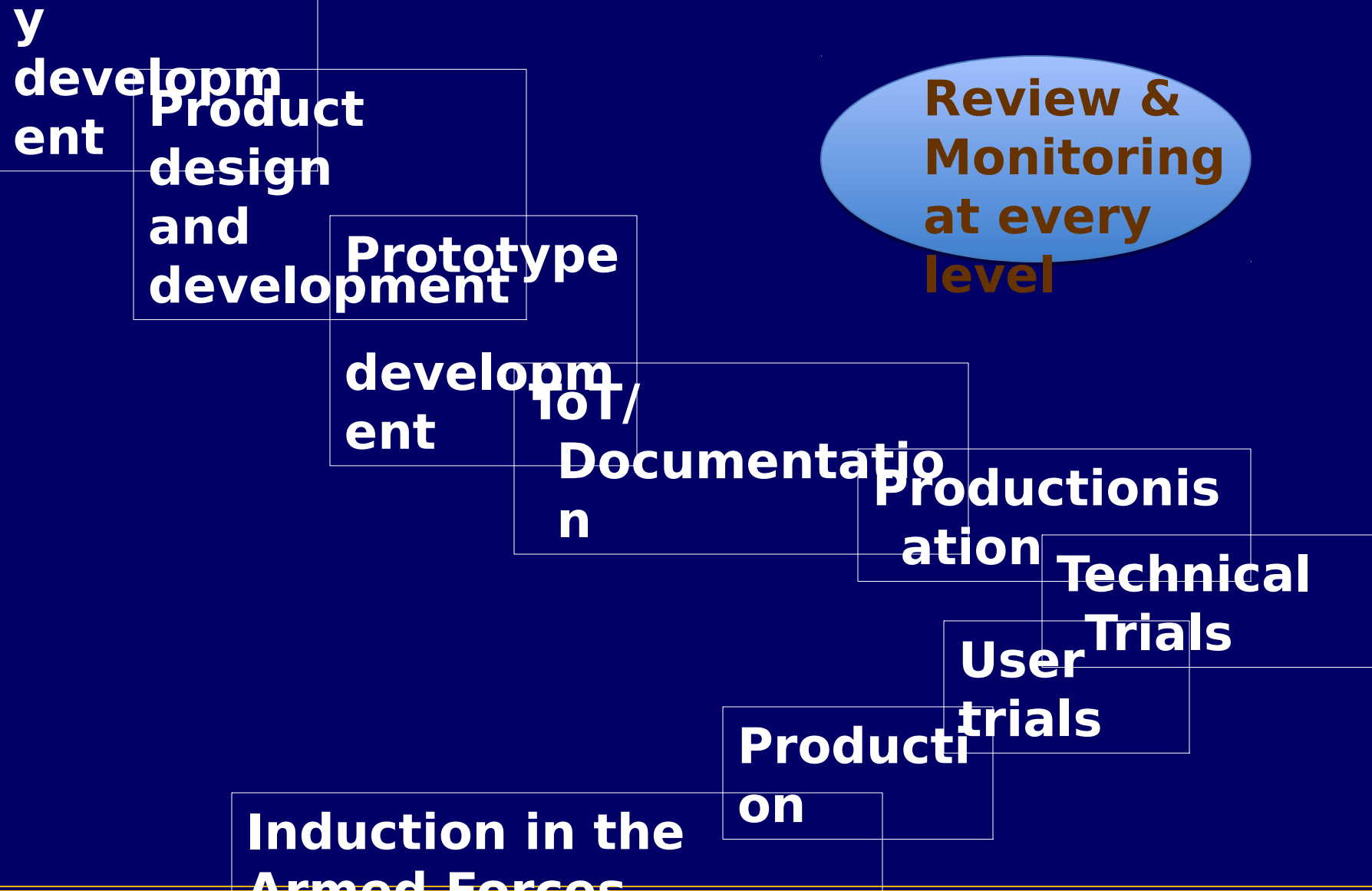
DRDO: Technology Spectrum



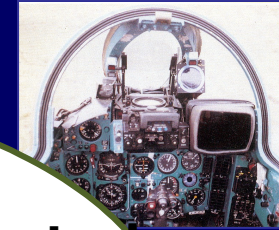
New Technology Initiatives



DRDO: Product Realisation Model



Aeronautics



Systems

- Airborne Early Warning & Control Systems (AEW&C)
- Light Combat Aircraft - Tejas
- UAVs- Lakshya, Rustom- I & II
- Electronic warfare systems
- Aerostats

Technologies Developed

• Adaptive flight control laws for unstable aircraft
• Fly-by-wire digital flight control system
• Open architecture mission avionics
• Composite structure

• State-of-the-art avionics for combat aircraft

Indian Missile Showcase

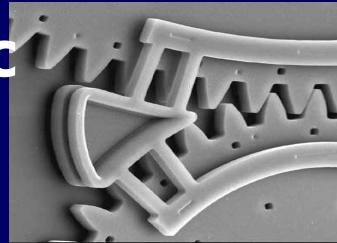


Technologies Established:

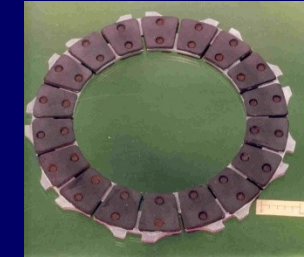
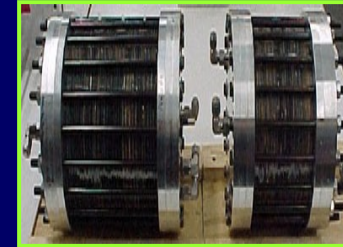
- Re-entry Vehicle Structure
- Twin engine liquid propulsion
- Pre-fragmented & Submunition Warhead
- Stabilization & Launch from Moving Platform

Material Sciences

❖ Conventional Metallic Alloys



❖ Metal, Ceramic, Polymer Matrix Composites



❖ Electronic & Photonic Materials

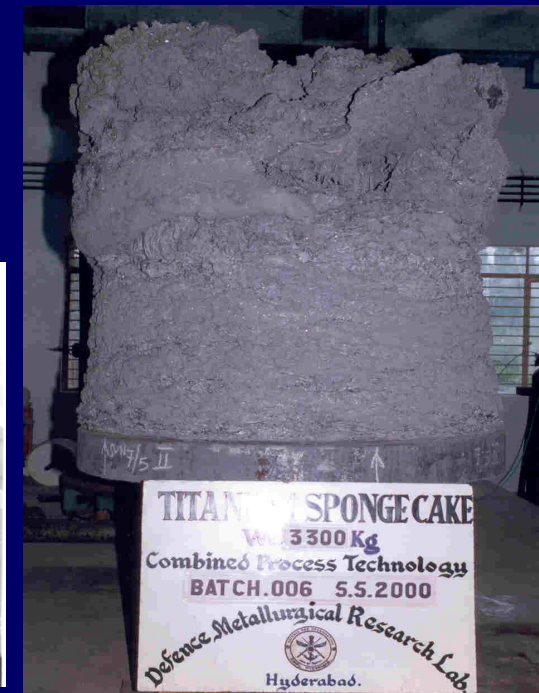
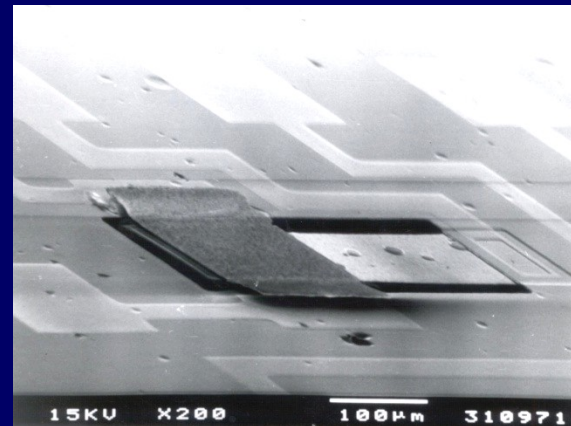


❖ Smart Materials

❖ Nanotubes



❖ Stealth Materials



Electronic Systems

- EW Systems- Samyukta, Sangraha, Divya Drishti
- Radars - BFSR, Revati, Aslesha, Rajendra, WLR
- Command Control & Comm. Systems;
- MMW Components & SATcom systems;
- Night Vision & electro optical instruments
- High power laser sources



Technologies Developed

- High accuracy direction finding
- High power jamming
- High accuracy multi-channel receivers
- Network centric information fusion
- Multi beam & Slotted Wave guide antenna

COMBAT VEHICLES & ARMAMENTS



Pinaka MBRL



MBT Arjun



Bridging System



Armoured Ambulance



AERV



INSAS family

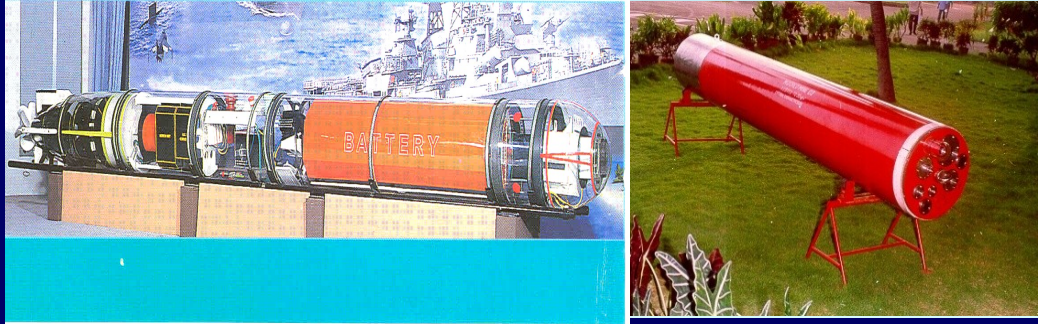


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Technologies Established

- * Composite Armour
- * Hydro-gas suspension
- * Autofrettaged Gun barrels
- * Integrated Fire Control System
- * Flow formed rocket motor
- * FRP launch tube

Naval Systems



SONAR TECHNOLOGIES

- Transducer Array
- State-of-art Signal processing techniques for target classification
- MEMS based Hydrophone

Underwater sensors and weapons; special materials and fleet support system, oceanographic studies



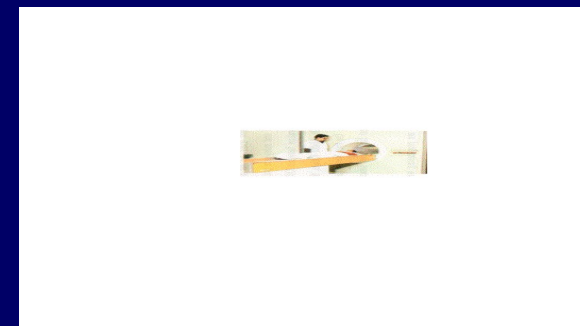
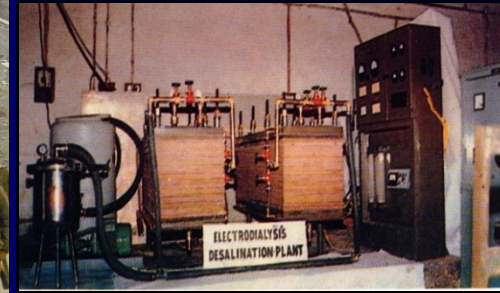
Torpedo Technologies

- Torpedo Propulsion Battery
- State-of-the-Art Homing System
- On-Board Computers & FCS



Life Sciences - The Man behind the Machine

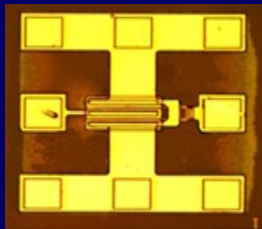
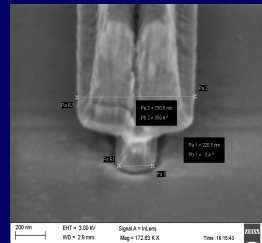
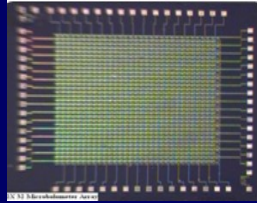
- Performance Enhancement
- Selection
- Training
- Health
- Protection
- Clothing
- Nutrition



Micro Electronics & Devices

Solid State

- 32 X 32 Bolometer
- Laser Diode Array
- GaN HEMT

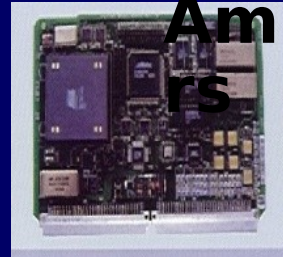
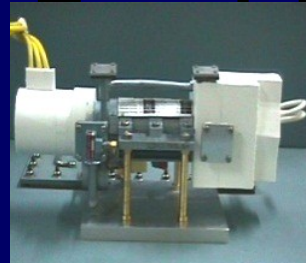


Microwave

- High Power Traveling-Wave Tube
- MPM
- Microwave Amps

Microelectronics

- ASICs & SoC
- Embedded Systems
- MEMS



DRDO Technologies & Systems for LIC Operations

Combat Arms & Detection & Surveillance



Ammunition

- LMGs & Sub-machine carbines
- Grenades
- Plastic bullets/explosives
- Mines & Demolition



Protection Systems

- Encryption & secure

Comm.

- Bullet Proof Jackets & Vehicles
- B&C Agent protection
- Portable Jammers
- Stealth & Camouflage



- UAVs & Aerostats
- Radars and Surveillance systems
- Secure VHF & Satellite Communication



- Thermal Imaging, NV

Support Systems

- Signaling Devices
- Simulation & Modelling
- Remote Operation



Games, Stress

- Behaviour
- Snow & Avalanche Studies



- Multi insect Repellant

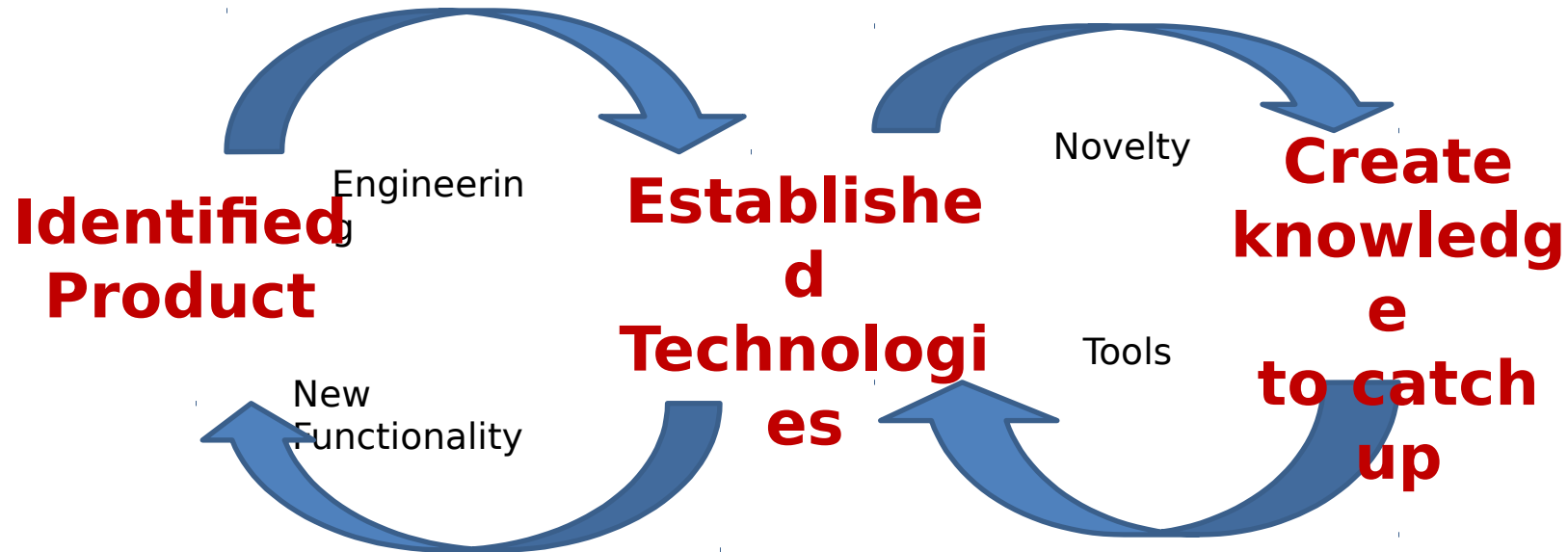


- MRE & Survival Ration

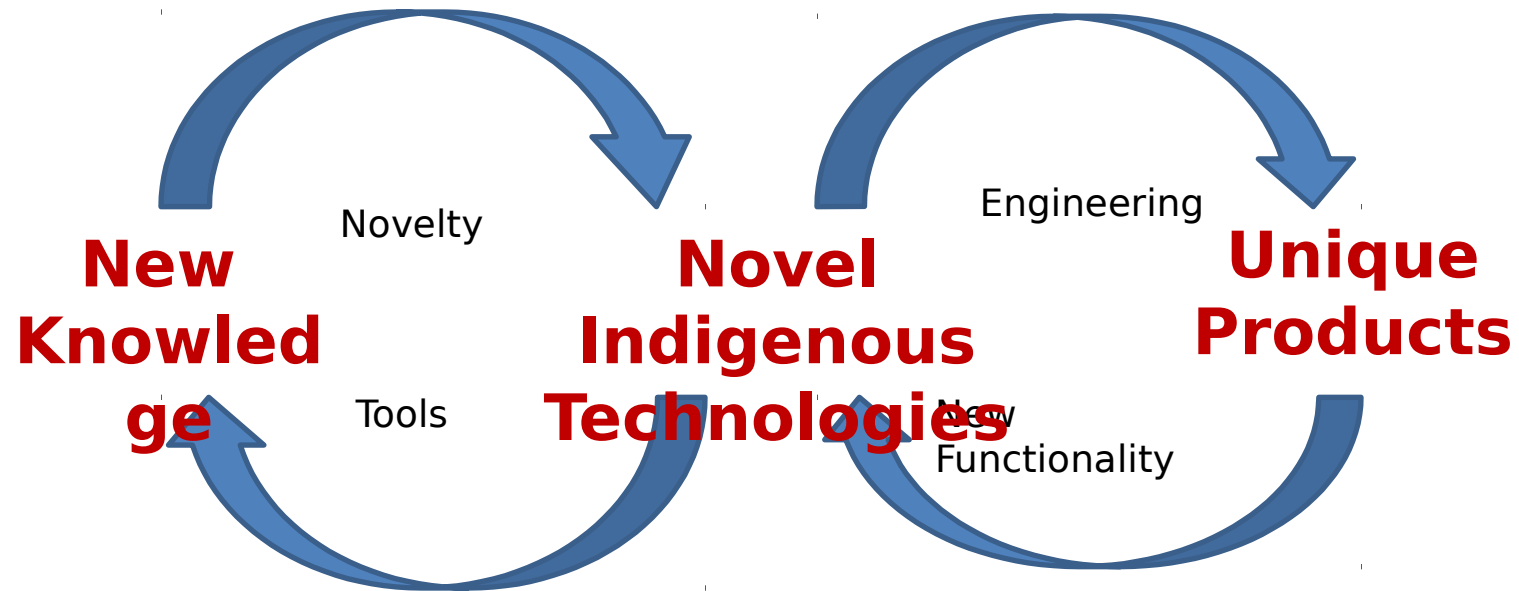
Projected Resources in LTPP

Cluster	Fund	Human Resources
Naval	XXXXCr	DRDS: 151 DRTC: 117
Materials	3115 Cr	DRDS: 380
Total (For DRDO including all Clusters)	180043 Cr	DRDS: 7389 DRTC: 4217

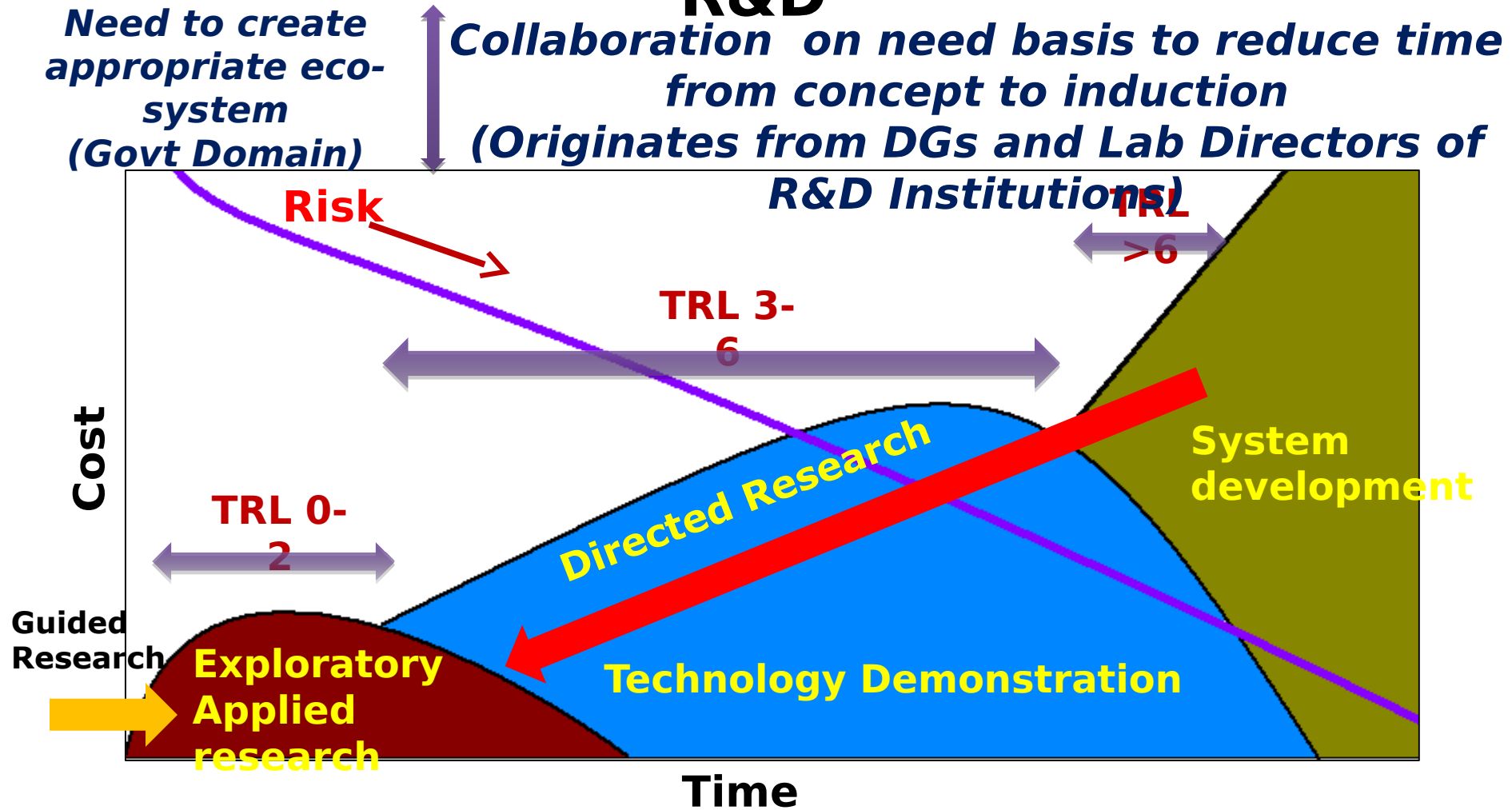
Present top down approach for LTIPP requirements



Proposed bottoms up approach beyond LTIPP/2027



Evolving contours of collaborative R&D



Phases of high-end technology development

ACADEMIA & RESEARCH INSTITUTES

TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT

Directed Research Centers

Research Boards
(NRB, ARMREB, LSRB & AR&DB)

Extra Mural Research & IPR

Contract for Acquisition of Research Services (CARS)

Technology Development Fund (TDF) Scheme

IMPRINT Programme

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(Ucchatar Avishkar Yojna)

LTIPP (USER SHQrs)

LTPP (DRDO)

TECHNOLOGY GAPS

THRUST AREAS

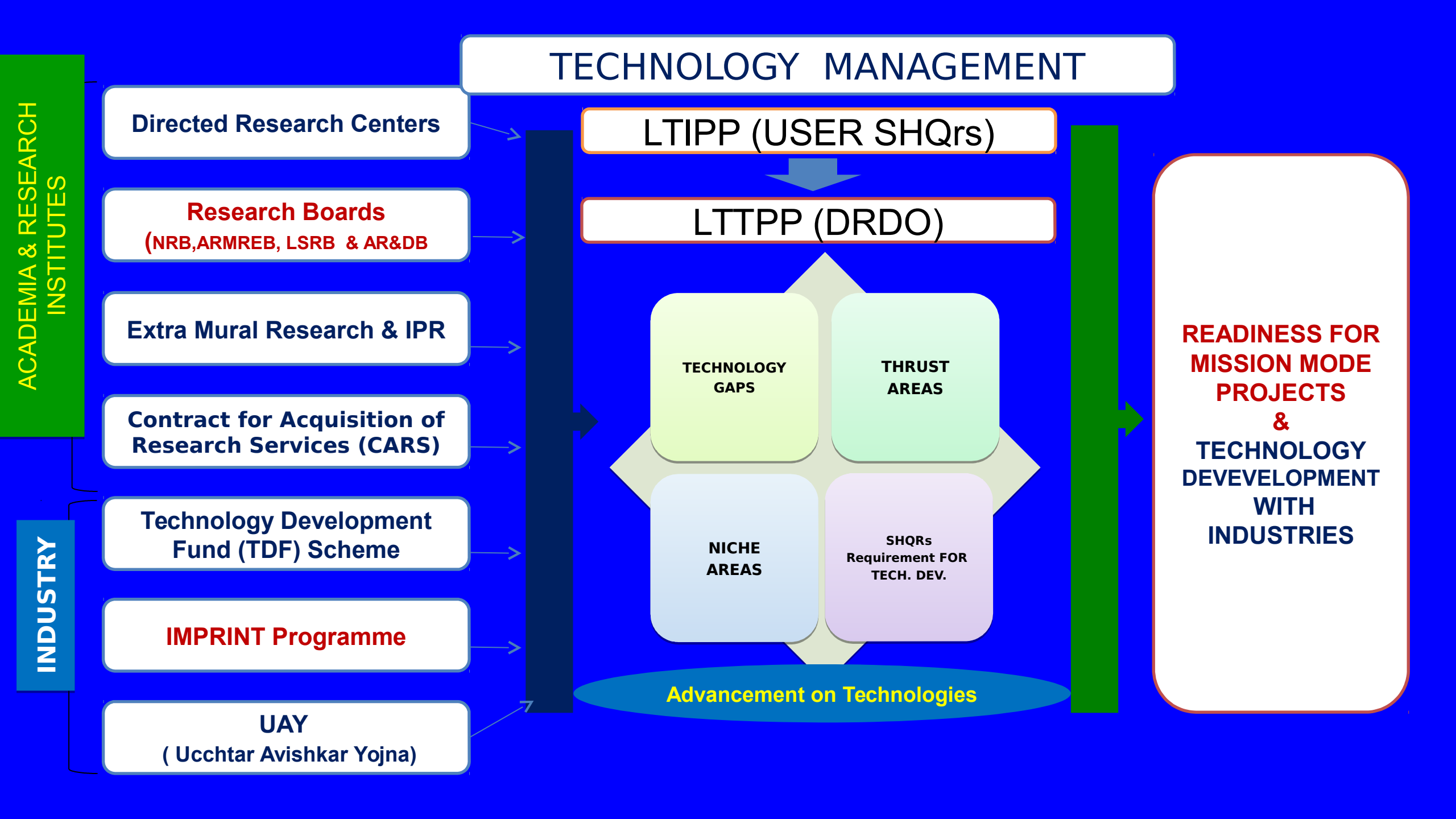
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SHQrs Requirement FOR TECH. DEV.

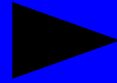
Advancement on Technologies

READINESS FOR MISSION MODE PROJECTS & TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT WITH INDUSTRIES

INDUSTRY



ABOUT THE PROGRAMME



Technology Development Fund (TDF) Scheme has been established to promote Self-Reliance in Defence Technology as part of Make-in-India Initiative.

Vision



Development of Defence and Dual use Technologies



To create an *eco-system for enhancing cutting edge technology capability by inculcating R&D culture in Industry* for building indigenous state-of-art systems for defence applications.

ELIGIBILITY

Public and Private Sector Industry
Especially MSMEs that may work in collaboration with the **academia or research Institutions** to carry out innovation, research and development

INDIAN LAWS

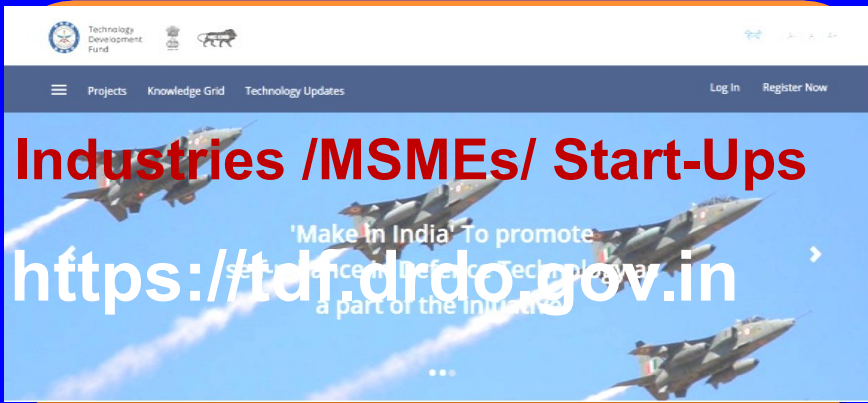
The Industry has to be owned and controlled by **Indian Citizen Industry with Excess of 49%** foreign investment will not be considered



Requirements
ARMY, NAVY AIRFORCE,
DDP & DRDO

Industry
registration

Launching of
Projects and Seeking
Proposals



Registrations till date on TDF Web-portal	
Industries	1630
Individual Experts	514
Academia	299

VALID REQUIREMENTS RECEIVED TILL DATE (31)

ARMY
12

AIR FORCE
8

NAVY
5

DRDO
6

Execution under TDF

Valid requirement
31

Projects sanctioned
3(4)

**Projects Under
Sanction**
4

DPR Stage
1

AoN Stage
17

Feasibility Studies
6

SCOPE OF THE PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED

A

- Products having **potential use** for the Tri-Services
- Components / assemblies whose **technologies doesn't exist with the Indian industry** and /or need ; Significant improvement /Up-gradation

B

- Further **developments in existing products / process / application**
- **Upgrades** in terms of reduced material consumption

C

- Improved functioning, improved quality etc. **resulting in overall cost reduction.**
- Technology readiness level up-gradation from **TRL-3** onwards to realization of products as per Tri-Services requirements.

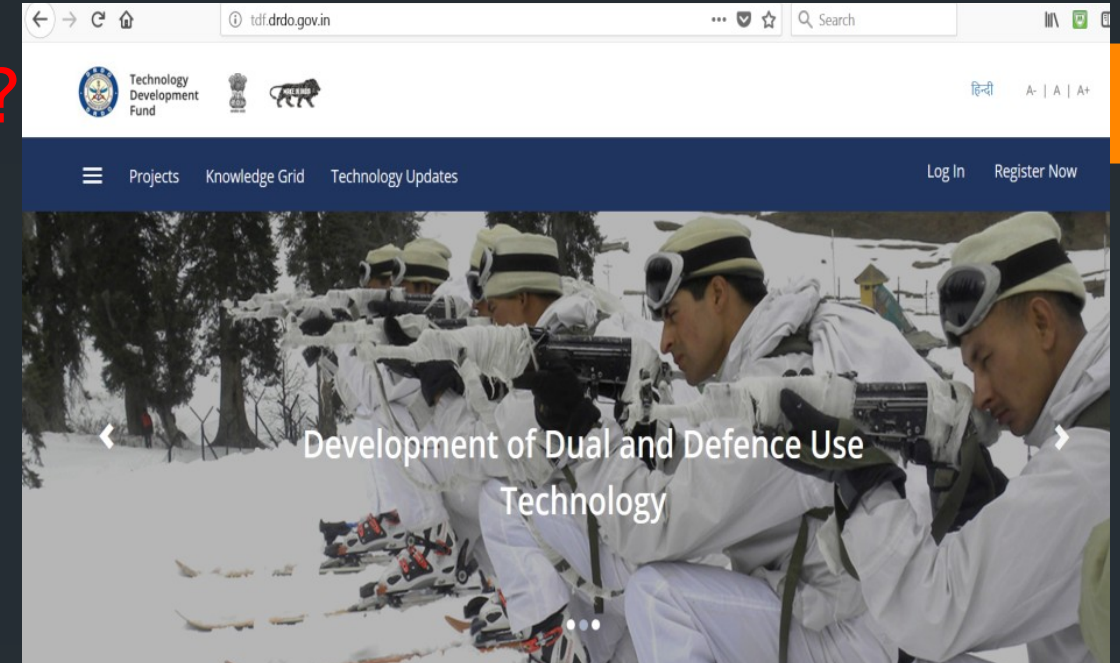
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- Development of **futuristic technologies / innovative products** having defence application or **dual use technology**

How to apply for TDF projects ?

visit at : <https://tdf.drdo.gov.in>

- Developers / Industry can submit the proposal against the requirement only after registration, therefore they are advised to [Create Account](#)
- *Requirements for inviting Eols can be seen as;*
 - Ongoing Projects
 - Closed projects
 - Upcoming projects
 - Feasibility Study
- Accordingly within time frame Industry can submit their proposal

A screenshot of the registration form on the TDF website. The browser address bar shows 'tdf.drdo.gov.in/registration/'. The form is titled 'Register' and contains four input fields: 'First Name' with a placeholder 'Enter First Name', 'Last Name' with a placeholder 'Enter Last Name', 'Email' with a placeholder 'Enter Email ID', and 'Partners' with a dropdown menu showing '--select--'. Each field has a red asterisk indicating it is a required field.

IMPRINT - Programme

(DRDO is one of the participating Department)



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1	Human Resource Development
2	AYUSH
3	Drinking Water and Sanitation
4	Earth Science
5	Environment, Forests and Climate Change
6	Health and Family Welfare
7	New and Renewable Energy
8	Power
9	Railways
10	Road Transport and Highways
11	Rural Development
12	Steel
13	Textiles
14	Urban Development

CENTRAL GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS

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1	Atomic Energy
2	Biotechnology
3	Defence Research and Development Organization
4	Electronics and Information Technology
5	Heavy Industries
6	Indian Council of Medical Research
7	Industrial Policy and Promotion
8	Pharmaceuticals
9	Science and Technology
10	Scientific and Industrial Research
11	Space

Mandate of IMPRINT

AIM: INCLUSIVE GROWTH AND SELF RELIANCE

- ❖ Translation of knowledge into viable technology
- ❖ Identify major engineering challenges in 10 domains
- ❖ Domain > Themes > Targets > Topics (with 100 variants)
- ❖ Million challenges for billion minds (by crowd sourcing)
- ❖ Industry participation highly encouraged not mandatory
- ❖ Product/process ready for demonstration or deployment

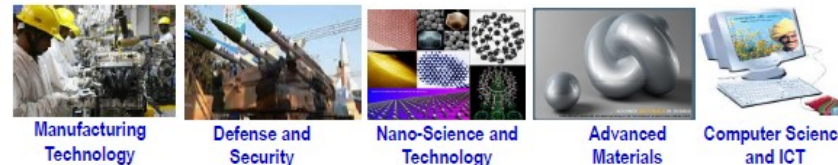
Million Challenges, Billion Minds

Ten Technology Domains of IMPRINT

Living world



Materials world



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