

## Pune-based startup Mylab receives National Technology Award

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Award received for the company's patented technology- NATSpert test kit

Mylab Discovery Solutions is bestowed with the prestigious 'National Technology Award' for its indigenous and patented technology, NATSpert ID TripleH Detection Kit. The award comprised Rs 25 Lakh cash and a trophy.

Instituted by Technology Development Board, Department of Science & Technology, Govt. of India, the National Technology Awards celebrate the pioneers of technology who work to bring innovation to the market and help in contributing to the vision of 'Aatma Nirbhar Bharat'. Every year, the main award is given to a company which has successfully developed & commercialised an indigenous technology.

NATSpert is the only made in India approved NAT test for simultaneous detection and discrimination of transfusion-transmitted infections (TTIs) such as HIV, HBV and HCV in donated blood. In India, with high prevalence rate of HIV, HBV, and HCV, blood safety is a big challenge. Blood safety relies deeply on the accurate screening of blood for transmissible infections (TTIs). Every year thousands of people in India acquire deadly infections because of lack of appropriate preventive testing.

NATSpert can help blood banks to supply non-infected blood, avoid litigations that come their way due to infected blood stocks and improve their quality standards. For citizens, there will be minimum chances of getting infected blood from these blood banks. The test kit is poised to play a pivotal role in making NAT a universally used screening test to provide safer blood in blood banks across India.