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SIIC, IIT Kanpur partners with Boehringer Ingelheim India to support dementia care innovation

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This collaboration addresses the growing challenge of dementia in India



The Startup Incubation and Innovation Centre (SIIC) at the Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur (IIT-K) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Boehringer Ingelheim India, a leading global pharmaceutical company, to advance solutions in the field of dementia care.

The Boehringer Ingelheim India team, comprising Gagandeep Singh Bedi, Managing Director, and, Prabhat Sinha, Director of Government and Public Affairs, Corporate Affairs, visited SIIC, IIT Kanpur, to strengthen their partnership in fostering healthcare innovations.

The MoU was exchanged between Prof. Ankush Sharma, Professor-in-Charge, SIIC, IIT Kanpur, and Gagandeep Singh Bedi, MD Boehringer Ingelheim India.

Boehringer Ingelheim's grant supports Manastik Technologies, a SIIC-incubated startup at IIT Kanpur, in developing India's first tele neurorehabilitation app for dementia care and diagnosis. Using DADT technology, the app offers personalised assistance from doctors and neuro healthcare professionals, addressing the growing burden of dementia and mental health disorders in India.

The grant will help validate the app, raise awareness, and support nationwide dementia screening campaigns. Previously, in 2023, Boehringer Ingelheim supported Lenek Technologies, another SIIC-incubated startup, in improving Tuberculosis screening with a handheld X-ray device.