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Can India's defence sector act as an aggregator to boost innovation potential?

Rohan Atrawalkar will present findings from his paper, 'Can India's defence sector act as an aggregator to boost innovation potential?' co-authored with Janak Nabar and Swati Joshi.

Abstract: In this paper, we explore if India's defence innovation ecosystem is at a juncture where it can deliver on the vision of indigenisation and modernisation. Does the government's current engagement with startups spur innovation? Does India's aerospace and defence sector show potential to increase the output of high tech components in India's manufacturing exports? To answer these questions, we mapped the Indian defence innovation ecosystem and narrowed the focus of our inquiry to technology startups in the defence sector. We constructed a database of defence startups to identify opportunities of growth. Using the example of drone startups, we examined if there is a case to be made for the engagement between startups, industry and India's aerospace and defence sector to contribute to higher output of high tech components in India's manufacturing exports.



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