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# NITI Aayog to establish 500 Atal Tinkering Labs in Jammu and Kashmir

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With a vision to '**Cultivate one Million children in India as Neoteric Innovators**', Atal Innovation Mission, an initiative of the National Institution for Transforming India (NITI Aayog), Government Of India, is establishing Atal Tinkering Laboratories (ATLs) in schools across India.

**Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) and NITI Aayog** will establishing more than 500 Atal Tinkering Labs (ATLs) in Jammu and Kashmir to nurture an innovative mind-set among high school students.

Atal Tinkering Labs is the **flagship initiative of the AIM** launched by Centre to **nurture an innovative mindset amongst high school students** across India.

The **objective of Atal Tinkering Lab** is to foster curiosity, creativity, and imagination in young minds; and inculcate skills such as design mindset, computational thinking, adaptive learning, physical computing etc.

**Atal Innovation Mission (AIM)** is the Government of India's flagship initiative to promote a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship in the country. It was set up in **2016 under NITI Aayog**.

The **objectives** of the AIM are to create and promote an ecosystem of innovation and entrepreneurship across the country via interventions at school, university, research institutions, MSME and industry levels.

The programmes of AIM **cover 34 states and Union Territories** with the goal of leveraging India's demographic dividend by inspiring greater participation in the innovation ecosystem.

To apply for Atal in the tinkering lab, one must fulfil the **eligibility criteria** like the schools should have a space to build a lab for at least 1500 sq. feet for plain areas and school in hilly areas and beachy areas an area of 1000 sq. feet is required and much more.

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