

## **CRIG – A Vision-Driven Transformation at AISECT Group of Universities**

Driven by the pioneering vision of Shri Santosh Choubey, Founder of AISECT, the AISECT Group of Universities (AGU) has consistently championed the integration of innovation, skill development, research, and cultural rootedness into the fabric of higher education. His unwavering commitment to empowering communities through knowledge and inclusive development laid a strong foundation for a transformative academic ecosystem—well ahead of the implementation of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

### **Mission**

To promote a vibrant culture of research and innovation across AISECT Group of Universities by building Centres of Research Excellence, supporting impactful research, fostering collaborations, and providing infrastructure for multidisciplinary and socially relevant studies.

In 2022, AGU launched the Core Research and Innovation Group (CRIG) as a strategic initiative to align academic inquiry with the rapidly shifting socio-technological and economic landscape. CRIG serves as a catalyst for institutional transformation, fostering future-ready professionals who are grounded in ethics, social consciousness, and global competencies.

Through CRIG, AGU has established Centres of Research Excellence across key disciplines, Skill Academies, Campus Industry Linkage Centres, and the Atal Incubation Centre to nurture innovation and entrepreneurial spirit. Significantly, CRIG facilitates internal seed funding to encourage promising research at early stages, and provides structured support for securing external research grants, connecting faculty and scholars with national and international funding opportunities.

With a strong emphasis on multidisciplinary research, grassroots development, and societal impact, CRIG has become the backbone of AGU's vision to redefine the purpose and practice of higher education in India.

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