

National Incubation Center (NIC) Lahore — Pakistan's Government-Backed Startup Incubator

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Quality score: 57/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

Launched in December 2017 by Ignite (Pakistan's Ministry of IT) and LUMS, NIC Lahore has run nine investor-summit cohorts and reports 350+ startups incubated and over Rs5 billion raised by its portfolio — figures self-reported and not separated from the wider 8-city NIC network.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	1/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	3/3
Scalability	2/3
Sustainability / continuity	2/3
Innovation	1/3
Inclusiveness / equity	1/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-07-14

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