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Prospective Implementation Partners

**Subject: Request for Proposal (RFP) – Viability Investment Implementation
Partner for Cisco thingQbator Program (FY 2026–27)**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Nasscom Foundation, a non-profit organization, in partnership with Cisco, runs the thingQbator program, a nationwide network of makerspaces and innovation ecosystems established across 40+ engineering colleges and universities in India. The program aims to foster innovation, technology learning, and entrepreneurship among students by providing access to makerspaces, Learning Track courses, mentorship, prototyping support, and startup development opportunities.

As part of the **Year 8 (FY 2026–27) Viability Investment initiative**, Nasscom Foundation is inviting proposals from experienced organizations to support the implementation of interventions designed to strengthen university innovation ecosystems and enhance hands-on learning opportunities for students.

The scope of work includes:

- **Makerspace Upgradation** at selected thingQbator partner institutions, including deployment of safety equipment, development boards, sensors, prototyping hardware, and supporting infrastructure.
- **Learning Technology (LT) Kit Distribution** to partner universities across India to support hands-on learning, experimentation, and prototype development.
- **Training & Capacity Building** programs on innovation, prototyping, IoT applications, product development, and effective utilization of makerspace resources and LT Kits.
- End-to-end implementation support, logistics coordination, deployment, documentation, reporting, and project completion activities.

We invite eligible organizations with relevant experience in makerspace development, IoT, hardware ecosystem development, innovation labs, university engagement, and technology training to submit their technical and commercial proposals in accordance with the enclosed RFP document.

The key terms and conditions, scope of work, commercial guidelines, evaluation requirements, and submission requirements are detailed in the enclosed RFP.

Particular	Details
Last Date for Proposal Submission	27 August 2026, 11:59 PM IST
Submission Email	rfp@nasscomfoundation.org
Email Subject Line	thingQbator Viability Investment Y8 Proposal – <Name of the Organization>

Proposals received after the specified deadline or proposals that do not comply with the requirements outlined in the RFP may be rejected. Nasscom Foundation reserves the right to accept or reject any proposal, negotiate with shortlisted bidders, or cancel the procurement process without assigning any reason.

We look forward to receiving your proposal and exploring opportunities to strengthen innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystems across partner universities.

**Warm regards,
Administration & IT
Nasscom Foundation**