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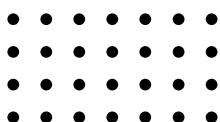
FUNDING



Different stages of Start Up Funding

Discover how startups grow from idea to success through strategic funding rounds.

Each stage unlocks new opportunities for innovation, team building, and scaling up.



What Are Startup Funding Stages?

- Mark each step of startup growth
- Funding needs change as startups evolve
- Different sources at every stage
- Each round unlocks new resources
- Right timing accelerates success

Main Topics



STARTUP
GROWTH
JOURNEY



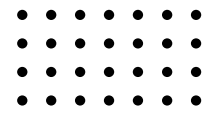
EVOLVING
FUNDING
NEEDS



STRATEGIC
INVESTMENT
TIMING



Pre-Seed Stage



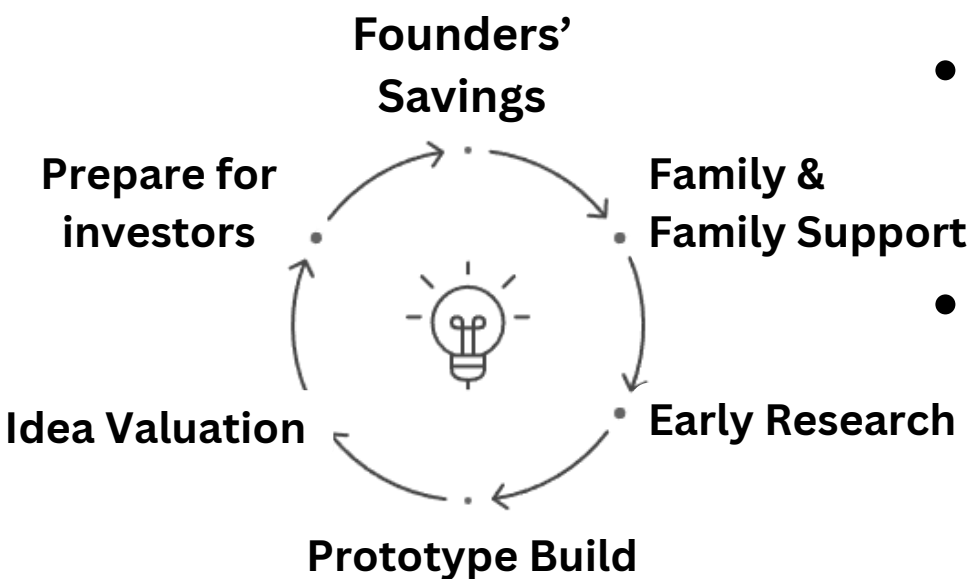
Early Validation & Setup

Sources of Initial Capital

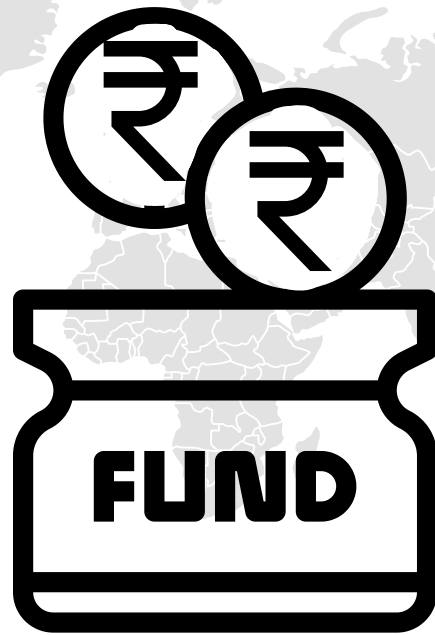


- Founders invest personal savings
- Funding from friends and family
- Early research and prototype development
- Forming the core founding team.
- Validating the business idea for next steps.
- Prepare for attracting formal investors next stage.

Pre-Seed Stage Cycle



Seed Stage

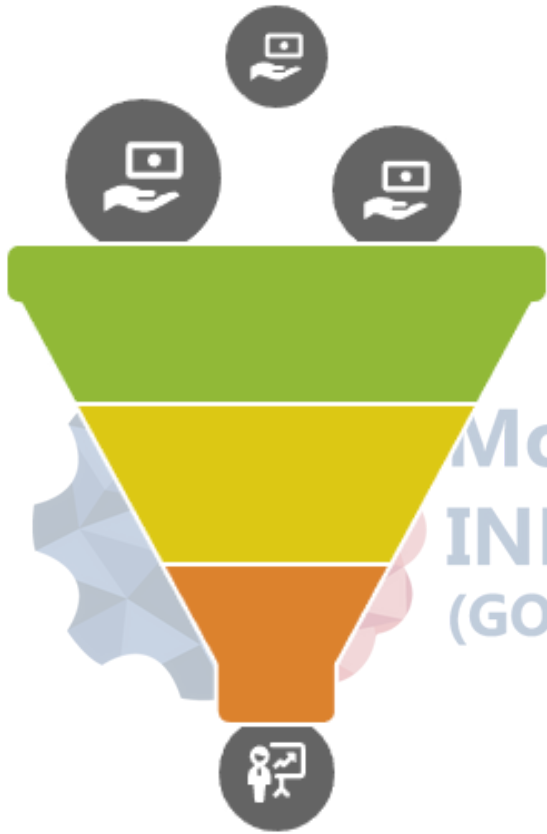
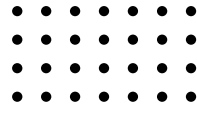


- First institutional investments usually come from angel investors or early-stage funds.
- Money goes into product development, early marketing, user feedback, and team expansion.
- Success means proving product-market fit and readiness for bigger funding rounds.

“Fueling Product Development & Market Validation”

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Series A Funding



Scale Operations

Enhance capabilities reach



Expand Customer Base

Increase market presence

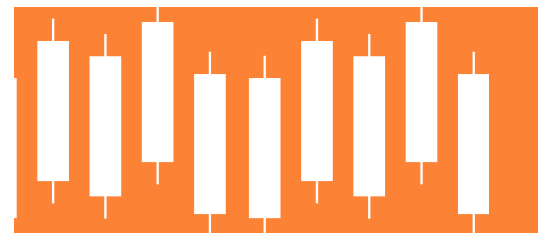


Strengthen Business Model

Refine strategies and sustainability

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- Venture capitalists invest once the startup shows real traction and potential.
- Capital helps scale operations, expand the customer base, and strengthen the business model.
- Series A validates growth strategy and attracts major partners.



"It's almost always harder to raise capital than you thought it would be, and it always takes longer. So plan for that."

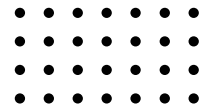




Series B & Beyond



Preparation Builds Confidence



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- Substantial capital infusions drive rapid expansion into new markets and larger teams.
- Companies may use this funding for global reach, advanced tech, or possible acquisitions.
- These rounds prepare startups for maturity, late-stage funding, or an IPO.

