

## 102C. 13) KARNATAKA –ISRAEL INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (KIRD)

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Under a Memorandum of Understanding signed between Israeli Innovation Authority (formerly MATIMOP), Israeli Industry Centre for R&D, on behalf of the Office of the Chief Scientist (OCS) in Israel; and the Karnataka Science and Technology Promotion Society (KSTePS) and the Karnataka State Council for Science and Technology (KSCST), representing the Department of Science and Technology, Government of Karnataka, in March 2013, a program to support Industrial R&D entitled - Karnataka - Israel Program for Industrial R&D (KIRD) was initiated to create mechanisms for extending financial support to small/medium scale industries located in Karnataka, for collaborating with Israeli companies to develop and commercialise products. The KIRD program is guided by the Joint Committee constituted for the selection and approval of projects.

In the first call applicants M/s. Blue Neem Medical Devices Pvt. Ltd., for the Project Contisphere, was given approval for funding of Rs.90,00,000/- and M/s. Rangsons Schuster Technologies Pvt. Ltd. Mysore, for the project “Development of Aviation flexible hoses with Titanium ends fittings” was given an approval for funding of Rs.2,50,00,000/- The total amount released is Rs.76, 50,000/- and Rs. 212, 50,000/- for BlueNeem and RST respectively after withholding 15% of the sanctioned amount in order to ensure the completion of project on time.

- M/s. BlueNeem Medical Devices Pvt. Ltd. innovated & developed the ContiSphere, a novel device for treatment of Female Urinary incontinence (FUI).



**Fig:** ContiSphere

- M/s. Rangsons Schuster Technologies Pvt. Ltd. developed flexible hoses with titanium end fittings widely used for low, medium and high pressure aerospace applications.



**Fig:** Hose with end fittings

Both the projects are expected to be completed by March 2019.