## **Fincluvation**

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<u>In news</u>— On the occasion of the 75th anniversary of Indian Independence, India Post Payments Bank has launched 'Fincluvation.

## **About Fincluvation-**

- It is a joint initiative to collaborate with the Fintech Startup community to co-create and innovate solutions for financial inclusion.
- The first-of-its-kind industry initiative, Fincluvation would create a powerful platform to mobilize the start-up community towards building meaningful financial products aimed at financial inclusion.
- It will be a permanent platform of IPPB to co-create inclusive financial solutions with participating startups.
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- Startups are encouraged to develop solutions aligned with any of the following tracks-
- Creditization Develop Innovative & Inclusive credit products aligned with the use cases of target customers and take them to their doorsteps through Postal network.
- Digitization Bring convenience through convergence of traditional services with Digital Payment Technologies such as making the traditional Money Order service as Interoperable Banking service.
- Any Market-led solutions that can help solve any other problem relevant to IPPB and/or DoP in serving the

target customers.

- It can help in meeting the varied and complex needs of the consumers through thoughtful, empathetic product design, and rapid prototyping among users.
- It will also allow the start-ups to work with IPPB and DoP experts to develop solutions and conduct pilots using the postal network and IPPB's technology stack.

## India Post Payments Bank (IPPB)-

- It was launched on September 1, 2018 under the Department of Posts, Ministry of Communication with 100% equity owned by the Government of India.
- The bank was set up with the vision to build the most accessible, affordable and trusted bank for the common man in India.
- The fundamental mandate of IPPB is to remove barriers for the unbanked and under-banked and reach the last mile leveraging a network comprising 160,000 post offices (145,000 in rural areas).
- Further, it is one of the largest and trusted postal networks in the world with over 400,000 post office employees and Gramin Dak Sevaks.
- IPPB's reach and its operating model is built on the key pillars of India Stack — enabling Paperless, Cashless and Presence-less banking in a simple and secure manner at the customers' doorstep, through a CBS-integrated smartphone and biometric device.
- Leveraging frugal innovation and with a high focus on ease of banking for the masses, IPPB delivers simple and affordable banking solutions through intuitive interfaces available in 13 languages.