

SUPREME initiative

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In news— Ministry of Science and Technology launched the Support for Up-gradation Preventive Repair and Maintenance of Equipment (SUPREME) initiative recently.

About SUPREME initiative-

- It seeks to provide financial support for the upgradation and maintenance of analytical instrumentation facilities (AIFs) created under the ministry's support.
- **It is a first-of-its-kind programme by the government, extends financial support for repair, upgradation, maintenance, retrofitting,** or acquiring additional attachments to increase functional capabilities of existing AIFs.
- Such **facilities at institutions recognised by the University Grants Commission (UGC) are eligible to apply for grants under SUPREME.**
- The duration of support will be for a period not exceeding 3 years
- **The funding pattern in the scheme would be 75:25** for all private and government-owned institutions (except for state-funded institutions for which 100% funding would be considered).

Note:

The Promotion of University Research and Scientific Excellence (PURSE) with a nationwide reach supports the research ecosystem of universities by making high-end research equipment available to academicians and scientists, and enabling universities to compete with the global standards.