

Why are many startups failing in India?

## **Description**

## Reasons:-

- Many startups are giving <u>unrealistic discounts</u> to attract customers. This leads to more investment with low profits. Such kind of startups will more likely to run into losses, which results in shutting down.
- Many entrepreneurs are <u>imitating successful startups</u>. For example, many startups replicated Amazon and Flipkart, but couldn't succeed. A me-too startup will less likely to succeed.
- Most of the failed startups <u>lack sustainable business model</u>. Some startups have no clear vision. They postpone profits to next year. Such kind of business model is not viable in the long run.
- Some sectors are <u>overcrowded</u>. For example, food delivery startups are way too many to survive. That is why most of the food delivery startups in India like †EatFresh' went into losses.
- Implementing <u>western models</u> in Indian market may not work all the time. Indian market is different. Misinterpreting market needs is forcing some startups to shut down.
- Unlike startups in other countries, Indian startups are attracting a lot of investments through Venture Capital. Sometimes too much investment is also a problem just like a lack of investment. With excessive funds, productivity may decrease.
- Some startups are unable to attract investments and failed.
- Some startups are failed due to implementing their operations on a large scale, <u>without</u> testing it on small scale first.
- Venture Capital firms tend to pressurize startups to maximize profits. This is leading to unnecessary stress and leading to shutting down of startups.
- Most of the failed startups are started by <u>youngsters with lack of expertise in the field</u> they are in.
- Timing is another important factor. Some ideas may succeed in future but not now.
- · Some startups are failed at marketing.
- Lack of innovation.

Underestimating competitor's potential is very risky. For example, â€~AUTOonCAB'
and some other taxi and auto aggregates underestimated their competitor â€~Uber'.

## **Conclusion:-**

With the startup boom, everyone wants to utilize the opportunity, but only a few are succeeding. At the starting stage of startup boom, there was a dearth of experienced mentors and trainers. With the growing expertise on startups, and with the increasing government support, success rate of startups is more likely to increase in India.

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