

Rootd Ventures — Fund I

Backing Exceptional Indian Engineers Building the Technology Infrastructure of India's Physical Economy

Rootd backs exceptional Indian engineers and operators at pre-seed and seed, where technical complexity, customer access, and capital requirements create barriers generalist venture capital is poorly equipped to underwrite. **Purpose-built for industrial technology — not a generalist fund**, spanning defence, climate, and advanced manufacturing under one integrated investment mandate, built on the belief that India's engineering talent, manufacturing depth, and global supply-chain integration are producing a new generation of globally relevant physical-world technology companies.

FUND SIZE ₹80 Cr + ₹40 Cr GS	STAGE Pre-Seed & Seed	CHEQUE SIZE ₹1–5 Cr	TARGET NET MOIC 3.3x–4.8x*	FUND LIFE 5 Yr + 2 Yr Ext.	TARGET PORTFOLIO ~19 Cos.
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INDIA'S INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY STACK

BUILD Precision manufacturing, robotics hardware, advanced materials	SENSE Machine vision, industrial IoT, inspection, defence sensing	AUTOMATE Software-defined motion control & factory automation
OPTIMISE Industrial software, predictive maintenance, digital twins	POWER Energy storage, industrial energy & water efficiency hardware	SECURE Dual-use & aerospace hardware, critical-infrastructure cybersecurity

Categories reflect a company's primary technical layer; a company may touch more than one (e.g., an automation platform with proprietary sensing) but is mapped to a single core layer for portfolio construction.

INVESTMENT PROCESS



INVESTMENT DISCIPLINE

- **Hard problem** — genuine engineering, not a feature gap
- **Hard technology** — not easily replicated with capital alone
- **Hard customer** — demanding industrial adoption as validation
- **Hard moat** — IP, qualification, data, regulatory barriers
- **Hard-to-replace founder** — technical, persistent, ambitious
- **Large outcome** — credible global category leadership

WHAT ROOTD DOES NOT INVEST IN

Consumer internet & generic SaaS · Fintech · Services & IT services · Commodity manufacturing without IP · Pure EPC · Subsidy-dependent climate · Single-contract defence without a commercial or export pathway

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Fund I is Rootd's first institutional vehicle. Credentials above reflect team members' prior institutional roles and do not represent Fund I investment performance.

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Fund Size — ₹80 Cr base target plus a ₹40 Cr green-shoe (over-subscription) option. **Fund Life** — 5 years from First Close, plus an optional 2-year extension subject to majority LP approval near the end of the term. **Minimum LP Commitment** — ₹1 Cr, per SEBI AIF regulations. **GP Commitment** — 2.5% of base corpus (₹2 Cr). **Target Portfolio (~19)** reflects initial/platform companies; follow-ons are funded from reserves and not counted separately. Open to eligible investors under SEBI AIF regulations, subject to KYC/AML.

*Target Net MOIC (3.3x–4.8x) is an illustrative target based on Rootd's portfolio construction model — not assured or guaranteed. Early-stage private investing carries significant risk, including possible loss of capital.