

A
REPORT OF
TALK ON
VC FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR EARLY-STAGE
ENTREPRENEURS



HELD ON
06 AUGUST 2025

ORGANIZED
BY
DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
K.S. SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND MANAGEMENT

#15, Near Vajarahalli, Mallasandra,
Kanakapura Road, Bengaluru-560109



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DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING ORGANIZES TALK ON

"VC FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR EARLY-STAGE ENTREPRENEURS"



Speaker

Mr. Arun V

Founder & CEO
Pegasus Aerospace Pvt Ltd
Bengaluru



FACULTY CO-ORDINATORS

Dr. P N Jyothi, Prof. MED
Prof. Harisha P, Asst. Prof. MED



06 August 2025



10:30 am -12:00 pm



Aryabhata Seminar Hall



Dr. Balaji B
In charge Principal /Director
KSSEM

TITLE OF THE PROGRAM:

“VC funding opportunities for early-stage entrepreneurs”

BRIEF SUMMARY OF PROGRAM:

The Department of Mechanical Engineering at K S School of Engineering and Management (KSSEM) organized a technical talk titled “VC Funding Opportunities for Early-Stage Entrepreneurs” on 6th August 2025. The session was held from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM at the Aryabhata Seminar Hall, KSSEM campus. The event was coordinated by Dr. P. N. Jyothi, Professor, MED, and Prof. Harisha P, Assistant Professor, MED. It was conducted under the guidance of Dr. Balaji B, In-charge Principal/Director of KSSEM.

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAM:

The talk aimed to enlighten budding engineers and aspiring entrepreneurs about:

- The fundamentals of venture capital funding.
- How to approach investors.
- Building a pitch deck.

SPEAKER’S DETAILS:

The guest speaker for the event is our Alumni from 2019 batch Mr. Arun V, who is the Founder & CEO of Pegasus Aerospace Pvt. Ltd., Bengaluru. Mr. Arun, an accomplished entrepreneur, shared valuable insights on venture capital (VC) funding, particularly focusing on strategies and opportunities available for early-stage startups and student innovators.

REPORT:

The session proved to be highly interactive, with students engaging in a lively Q&A towards the end. Mr. Arun emphasized the importance of innovation, persistence, and networking in the startup ecosystem. Overall, the session was well-received by students and faculty alike, providing an inspiring platform for young minds to think beyond the classroom and venture into the world of entrepreneurship. Also, he shared insights on Common challenges in securing funding & Real-world examples from Mr. Arun’s entrepreneurial journey.

PHOTOGRAPHS

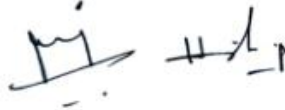


OUTCOME OF THE PROGRAM

- Students gained a clear understanding of what venture capital is, how it differs from other funding types (like angel investment or bootstrapping), and where it fits in a start-up's lifecycle.

- The speaker elaborated on various stages of funding – Pre-seed, Seed, Series A, and beyond – and what VCs typically look for at each stage.
- Detailed discussions highlighted investor priorities such as team strength, product-market fit, scalability, traction, and financial forecasts.
- Overview of the due diligence process, including legal, financial, and business model evaluations that start-ups undergo before receiving funding.
- Insights into emerging VC trends in 2025
- Common challenges and pitfalls early-stage founders face when approaching VCs, and strategies to overcome them.
- The session concluded with an interactive Q&A segment, allowing attendees to clarify doubts and seek specific guidance. Opportunities for networking with investors and peers were also facilitated.

Signature of Co-coordinators



Signature of Department Head



Signature of Principal



PARTICIPANT DETAILS



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Department of Mechanical Engineering
"VC funding opportunities for early stage entrepreneurs"

5th Semester Student list (2025-26)

Date : 06/08/2025

Sl.No.	USN	Name of the Student	Signature
1	1KG22ME003	KARTHIK R	- AB -
2	1KG23ME001	AKASH K J	- AB -
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4	1KG23ME003	B RAVINDRA	<i>B Ravindra</i>
5	1KG23ME004	BUVAN KUMAR B N	<i>Buvan Kumar B N</i>
6	1KG23ME005	E C PREM KIRAN	<i>EC Prem Kiran</i>
7	1KG23ME006	HAMDAN MAHIR	- AB -
8	1KG23ME007	N SRIVAISHNAVI	<i>N Srivaishnavi</i>
9	1KG23ME008	POTHUR DIVAKAR	- AB -
10	1KG23ME010	RAKSHITHA V	<i>Rakshit</i>
11	1KG23ME011	SUNIL REDDY S	<i>Sunil</i>
12	1KG23ME012	VALLERU CHANDRAPRAKASH	- AB -
13	1KG24ME400	ANIL J M	<i>Anil</i>
14	1KG24ME401	BHARATH C	<i>Bharath</i>
15	1KG24ME402	CHANDAN R	- AB -
16	1KG24ME403	HEMANTH S R	<i>Hemanth S R</i>
17	1KG24ME404	K JASHWANTH RAJU	<i>K Jashwanth Raju</i>
18	1KG24ME405	KAUSHIK C	<i>Kaushik C</i>
19	1KG24ME406	MITHUN B	- AB -
20	1KG24ME407	NAVEEN SHANKALA	<i>Naveen K</i>
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24	1KG24ME412	RAVIKUMAR G	<i>Ravikumar G</i>
25	1KG24ME413	SHARATH KUMAR E	<i>Sharath Kumar E</i>
26	1KG24ME414	SUDEEP S	- AB -
27	1KG24ME415	SUJITH S	<i>Sujith S</i>
28	1KG24ME416	TANAV VISHWANTH	<i>Tanav</i>
29	1KG24ME417	THARUN K	<i>Tharun K</i>
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3	1KG22ME005	PRAJWAL M S	Prajwal. m.s
4	1KG22ME006	ROHAN PRADEEP TEMKAR	
5	1KG22ME007	SURYA N	
6	1KG22ME008	YASHWANTH GOWDA S	
7	1KG23ME400	ABHISHEK A	
8	1KG23ME401	ADITYA SHIVARAM K	
9	1KG23ME403	ANAND RAJ K	- AB -
10	1KG23ME404	ANAND S	
11	1KG23ME405	CHANDU K S	
12	1KG23ME406	DHANUSH PRABHAKAR V. N	
13	1KG23ME407	DHRUVA R	
14	1KG23ME408	HARISH C	
15	1KG23ME409	JAMAL AHAMED	
16	1KG23ME410	KIRAN KUMAR N	
17	1KG23ME411	LOHITH S	
18	1KG23ME412	MADAN KUMAR	
19	1KG23ME413	NAYAN S N	
20	1KG23ME414	P DHANUSH	- AB -
21	1KG23ME415	PARTHA M	- AB -
22	1KG23ME416	RANGARAJU C K	
23	1KG23ME418	ROHITH J	
24	1KG23ME419	SANJAY K S	- AB -
25	1KG23ME421	SUHAS M	- AB -
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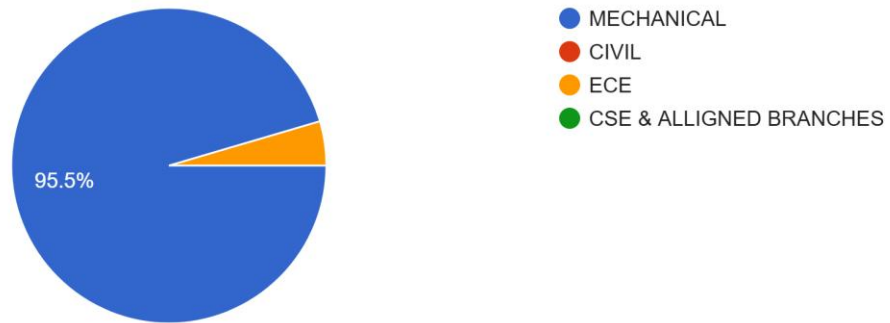
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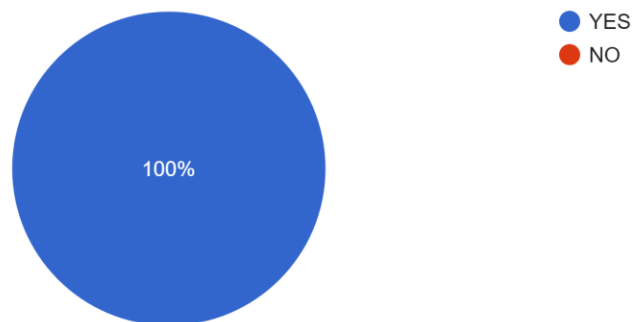
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22 responses



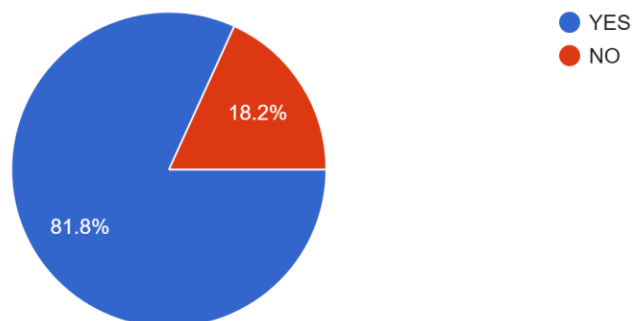
1. WEATHER THIS PROGRAM IS USEFUL?

22 responses



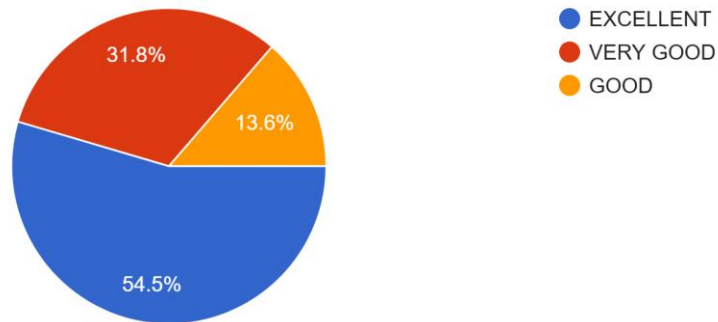
2. IS THIS PROGRAM MEETS YOUR EXPECTATIONS?

22 responses



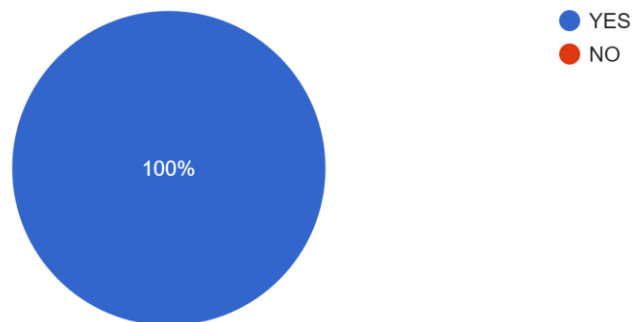
HOW DO YOU RATE THIS PROGRAM?

22 responses



WOULD YOU LIKE TO ATTEND SUCH EVENTS IN FUTURE?

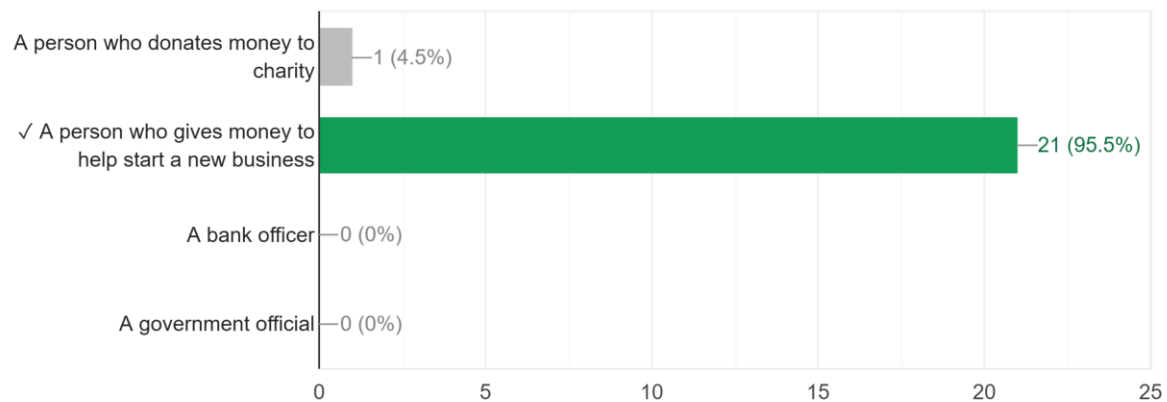
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QUIZ DETAILS

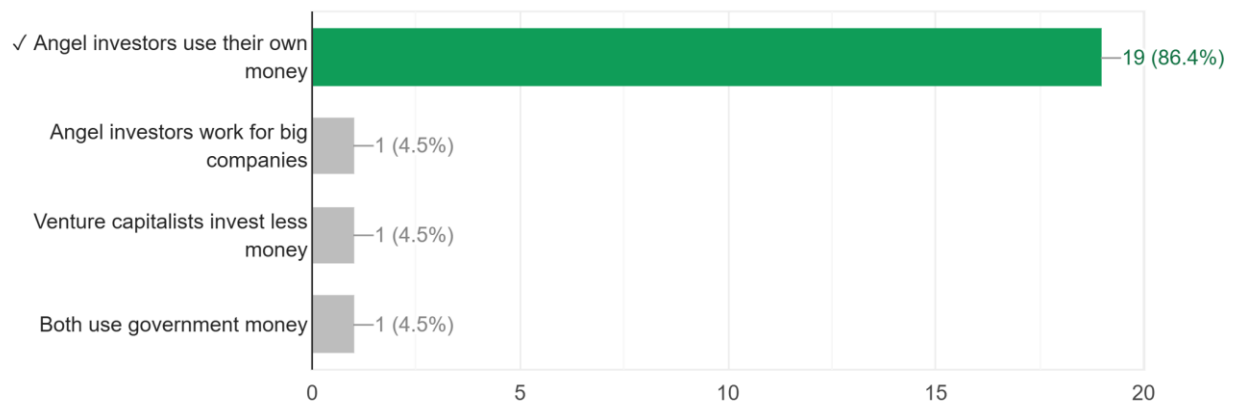
What is an angel investor?

21 / 22 correct responses



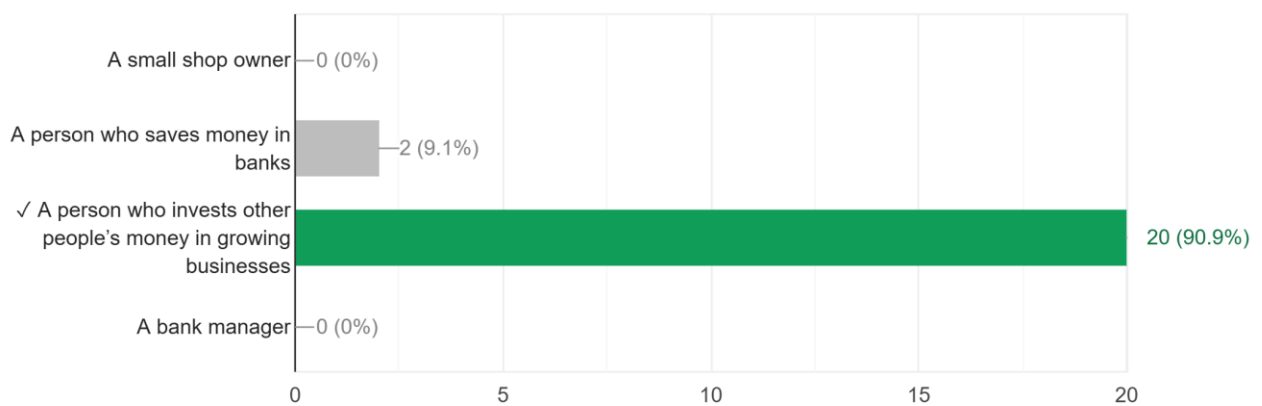
How is an angel investor different from a venture capitalist?

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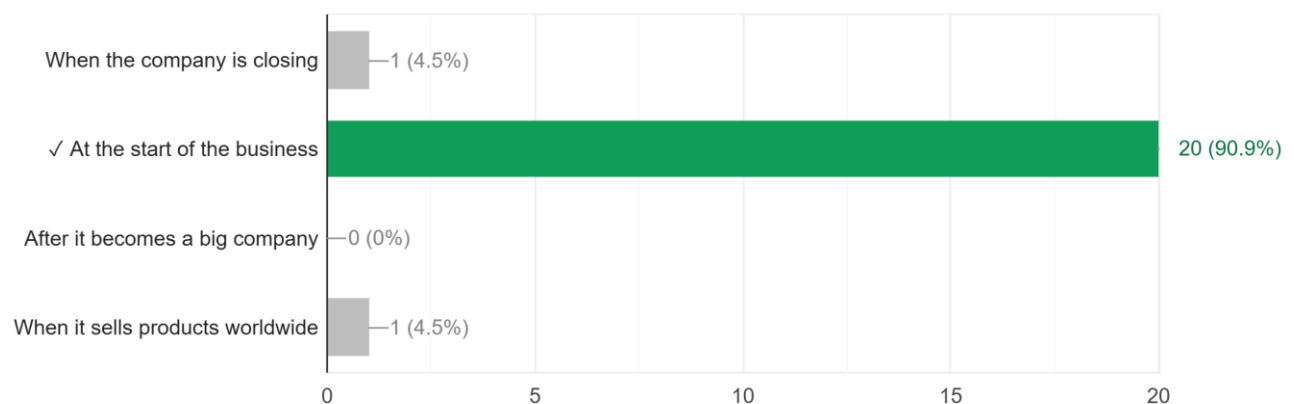
Who is a venture capitalist?

20 / 22 correct responses



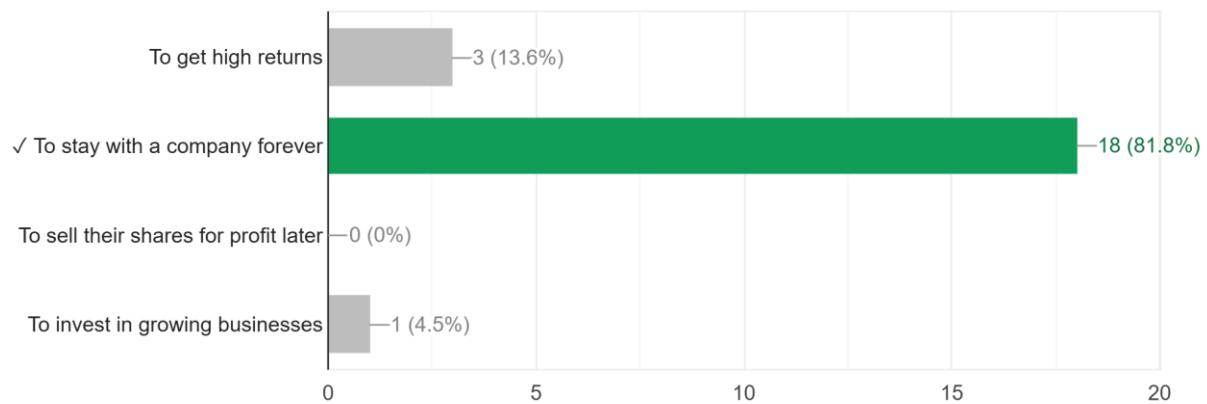
When do angel investors usually invest?

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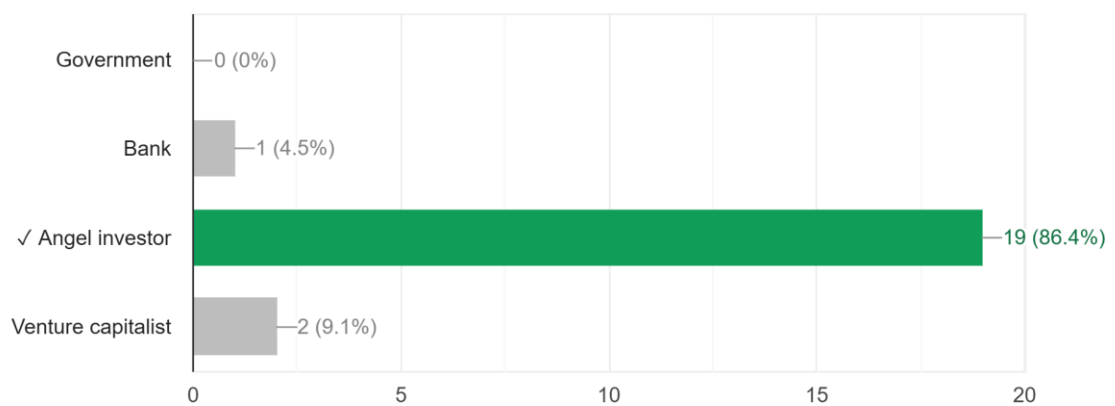
Which is not a goal of venture capitalists?

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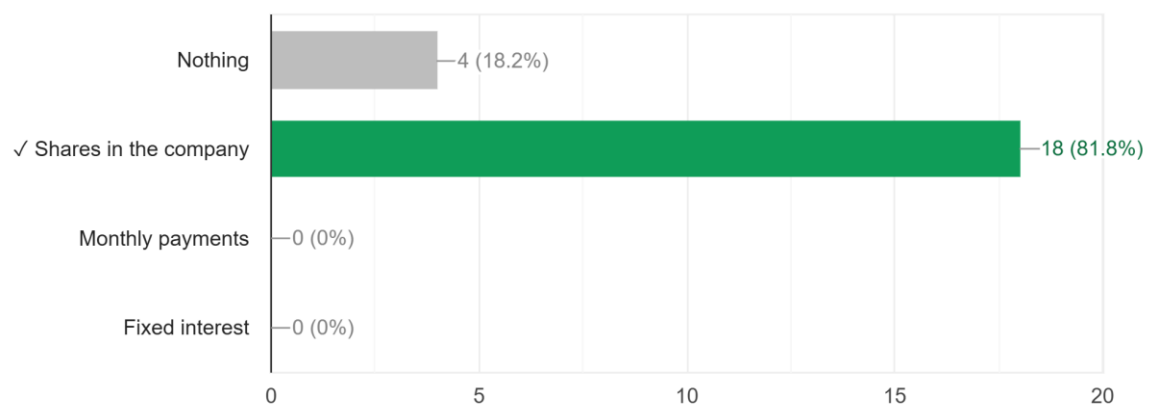
Who gives money more quickly and with fewer rules?

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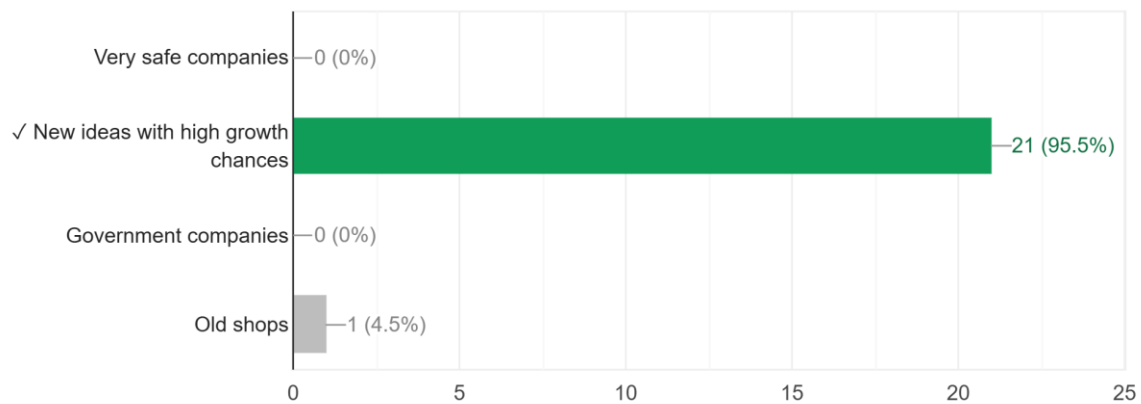
What do angel investors get in return for their money?

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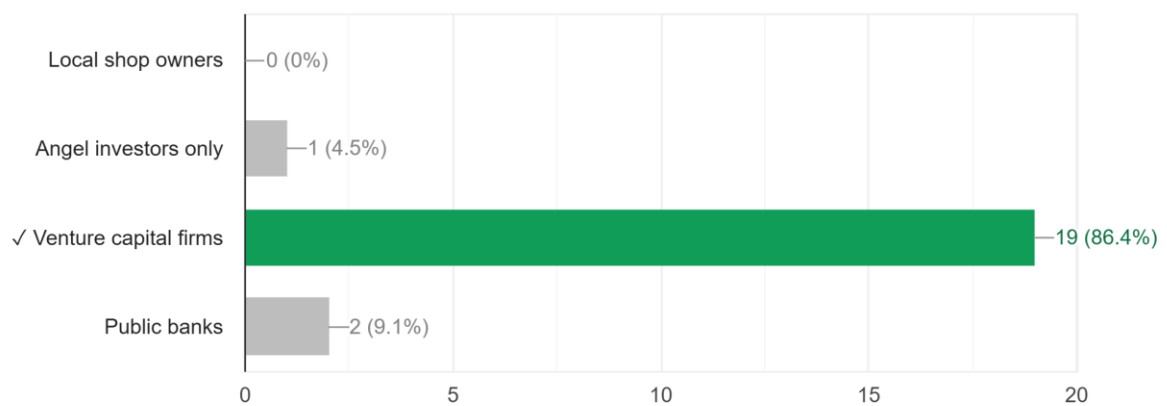
What kind of companies do venture capitalists like to invest in?

21 / 22 correct responses



Who provides venture capital?

19 / 22 correct responses



What is one big benefit of getting venture capital?

17 / 22 correct responses

