

## BUZZING VENTURES

## CtrlS to invest ₹1,500 cr in datacentre expansion

Datacentre firm CtrlS plans to invest Rs 1,500 crore to expand its footprint to accommodate massive data, generated by new technologies and privacy laws that require companies to store data locally. The company hosts data of large business houses, including State Bank of India, Tata Group, Mahindra Group of companies, Adani Group, Birla Group of companies and Fedex, among others. CtrlS is also planning to start two new data centres facility separately at Hyderabad and Mumbai.

### Booking.com pours grants in two start-ups

Two start-ups - Global Himalayan Expedition and Sakha - have received 7.25 lakh euros in grants from travel e-commerce platform Booking.com's booster fund. The start-ups were part of Booking.com's 2018 accelerator programme in sustainable tourism. Besides, eight other



start-ups working for sustainable tourism also received grants from the online travel platform. Global Himalayan Expedition, which organises impact expeditions to provide electricity through solar microgrids to the remote mountain communities of Himalaya, received a grant of four lakh euros, while Sakha, a social enterprise that offers safe transport solutions for women by women, received 3.25 lakh euros. The 10 start-ups will be mentored in Amsterdam. —PTI