

Digital India Mission

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The Digital India program is a flagship program of the Government of India with a vision to **transform India into a digitally empowered society and knowledge economy**. It is transformational in nature and would ensure that Government services are available to citizens electronically. It would also bring in **public accountability** through mandated delivery of government's services electronically.

Vision Areas

- **Digital Infrastructure as a Core Utility to Every Citizen**

- . Availability of **high speed internet** as a core utility for **delivery of services** to citizens

- . Cradle to grave **digital identity** that is unique, lifelong, online and authenticable to every citizen

- . Mobile phone & bank account enabling **citizen participation** in digital & financial space

- . Easy **access to a Common Service Centre**

- . Shareable private space on a **public cloud**

- . Safe and **secure cyberspace**

- **Governance and Services on Demand**

- . Seamlessly **integrated services** across departments or jurisdictions

- . Availability of **services in real time** from online & mobile platforms

- . All citizen **entitlements to be portable** and available on the

cloud

- . Digitally transformed services for **improving ease of doing business**
- . Making financial transactions electronic & cashless
- . Leveraging **Geospatial Information Systems (GIS)** for decision support systems & development
 - **Digital Empowerment of Citizens**
- . Universal **digital literacy**
- . Universally **accessible digital resources**
- . Availability of digital resources/ services in **Indian languages**
- . Collaborative digital platforms for **participative governance**
- . Citizens not required to physically submit Govt. documents/ certificates

Program Pillars

- **Broadband Highways**
 - . This covers three sub components, namely **Broadband for All – Rural, Broadband for All – Urban and National Information Infrastructure (NII)**.
 - . NII would integrate the network and cloud infrastructure in the country to provide high speed connectivity and cloud platform to various government departments up to the panchayat level.
- **Universal Access to Mobile Connectivity**
 - . This initiative focuses on network penetration and filling the gaps in connectivity in the country. There are around 55,619 villages in the country that do not have mobile

coverage.

- **Public Internet Access Program**

. The two sub components of Public Internet Access Programme are **Common Services Centres (CSCs) and Post Offices** as multi-service centres.

. CSCs would be strengthened and its number would be increased to 250,000 i.e. one CSC in each Gram Panchayat.

- **e-Governance**

. Government process re-engineering using IT to simplify and make the **government processes more efficient** is critical to make the delivery of government services more effective across the various government domains.

- **eKranti**

. Transformation and not Translation – All project proposals in e-Kranti must involve substantial transformation in the quality, quantity and **manner of delivery of services** and significant enhancement in productivity and competitiveness.

- **Information for All**

. Open data platform facilitates **proactive release of datasets** in an open format by the ministries/ departments for use, reuse and redistribution. Online hosting of information & documents would facilitate open and easy access to information for citizens.

- **Electronics Manufacturing**

. This pillar focuses on promoting electronics manufacturing in the country with the target of **net zero imports by 2020**. This ambitious goal requires coordinated action on many fronts, such as taxation, incentives, economies of scale and eliminating cost disadvantages.

- **IT for Jobs**

. This pillar focuses on providing training to the youth in the skills required for availing **employment opportunities** in the IT/ITES sector.

- **Early Harvest Programs**

. It consists of those projects which are to be implemented within a short timeline.