

Oversight body for Artificial Intelligence

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Niti Aayog proposes to set up an oversight body for Artificial Intelligence

About oversight body for Artificial Intelligence

- Oversight body will play an enabling role regarding technical, legal, policy and societal aspects of artificial intelligence (AI)
- Niti Aayog in its draft 'Working Document: Enforcement Mechanisms for Responsible #AIforAll' has said that this body must have industry representatives as well as experts from legal, humanities and social science fields
- According to Niti Aayog, the oversight mechanism may serve in an advisory capacity and it must interface with existing regulators across sectors.
- The draft said that "technology easily blends across other technologies and must not be viewed in silo. Ethics should be seen as not just limited to AI but also other emerging technologies such as AR (augmented reality), VR (virtual reality) etc"
- It also noted that the government may support research on the impact of AI in the Indian context and fundamental research to advance 'Responsible AI' by prioritising funding opportunities and fellowship programs
- International alliance: As per the document, International alliance may be leveraged to facilitate exchange of multi-disciplinary talent, data, and consolidation of research efforts, especially in areas of social good

- Niti Aayog's draft also mentions that the government may fund specific research projects in responsible Artificial Intelligence and introduce ethics of AI into the university curriculum as the new-age technology is expected to boost India's annual growth rate by 1.3 per cent by 2035