

'PM-DAKSH' Portal

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In news- Union Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment launched 'PM-DAKSH' Portal and 'PM-DAKSH' Mobile App.

About the portal-

- The portal has been developed by the Ministry **in collaboration with National e-Governance Division (NeGD)**, to make the skill development schemes accessible to the **target groups of Backward Classes, Scheduled Castes and Safai Karamcharis**.
- The **Pradhan Mantri Dakshta Aur Kushalta Sampann Hitgrahi (PM-DAKSH) Yojana** is being implemented by the Ministry from the year 2020-21.
- Under this Yojana, eligible target groups are being provided skill development training programmes on (i) Up-skilling/Reskilling (ii) Short Term Training Programme (iii) Long Term Training Programme and (iv) Entrepreneurship Development Program (EDP).

About National e-Governance Division (NeGD)-

- In 2009, the NeGD was created by the Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology as an Independent Business Division under the Digital India Corporation.

The **roles and responsibilities** of NeGD are:

- Providing strategic direction in terms of framing policies and implementation strategy for the Digital India Programme in different domains of e-Governance.
- Proactive support to Central and State Governments for Mission Mode Projects and other e-Governance projects
- Acting as a facilitator and catalyst for implementation of Digital India Program by various Ministries and State Governments

- Providing technical assistance to Central Ministries/ State Line Departments in their e-Governance projects either directly or in collaboration with professional consultants
- Ensuring effective citizen engagement and communication with all stakeholders using offline and Social Media channels
- Recruitment, deployment and HR management of specialised resources in the State e-Governance Mission Teams in all States and UTs
- Training and development initiatives