GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 240

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BHASHINI CHATBOT

240 SHRI SYED NASIR HUSSAIN:

Will the Minister of Electronics and Information Technology be pleased to state:

The details of progress made and current status of the Bhashini project, or the National Language Translation Mission (NLTM) launched in 2022?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

The National Language Technology Mission (Digital India Bhashini), has been launched by the Hon'ble Prime Minister in July' 2022 to provide Artificial Intelligence (AI) driven language technology solutions through Bhashini platform (https://bhashini.gov.in) as 3 year mission for all 22 Scheduled Indian Languages.

Currently, 300+ pre-trained AI-driven language models have been made available on Bhashini platform in 22 scheduled indian languages for text to text translation and 10 Indian Scheduled Languages (Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Kannada, Malayalam, Marathi, Odia, Punjabi, Tamil, and Telugu) and English for voice to voice translation. The Bhashini open Application Programming Interface (APIs) for language translation in text and voice have been listed on API Setu (https://apisetu.gov.in). Bhashini APIs are available for anyone to integrate with any application. The industry or startups may build applications leveraging any interface to provide easy to use services to the citizens.
