

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
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UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2047
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LAUNCH AND COLLABORATION OF AI FOR INDIA 2.0

2047. SHRI MILIND MURLI DEORA:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) the date on which the AI for India 2.0 programme was launched;
- (b) the agencies or institutions involved in the design and implementation of the programme; and
- (c) the role of Guvi company and its linkage with IIT, Madras and IIM, Ahmedabad?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

- (a) AI for India 2.0 Programme was launched on 15th July 2023, on the occasion of the “World Youth Skills Day”.
- (b) This Programme was a joint initiative of MSDE, IIT Madras, IIM Ahmedabad and NCVET.
- (c) GUVI was a startup incubated at IIT, Madras’s Rural Technology and Business Incubator (RTBI) on 01.06.2014. IIT-Madras’s RTBI fully exited its shareholding from the company in September, 2022, when it was acquired by HCL. IIM-Ahmedabad Ventures, a technology business incubator of IIM-Ahmedabad, had supported GUVI through two of its programs – India Innovation Growth Programme (IIGP) and Bharat Inclusion Initiative. It also previously held equity stake in the company, and exited when the company was acquired by HCL Technologies.
