GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
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1668. SHRI SATNAM SINGH SANDHU:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the total funds allocated and released under the IndiaAI Mission since its approval in March 2024, year-wise and pillar-wise;
(b) the details of deployment of the announced 38,000 Graphics Processing Units (GPUs), including their geographical distribution, institutional access and utilisation levels;
(c) the criteria adopted to provide subsidised GPU access at ₹65 per hour and the number of Startups, academic institutions and Government agencies benefitted so far; and
(d) the measurable outcomes achieved under the Mission in terms of research outputs, applications developed and public service delivery improvements?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) to (d): India's AI strategy is based on the Hon'ble Prime Minister's vision to democratize the use of technology. It aims to address India centric challenges, create economic and employment opportunities for all Indians.

IndiaAI Mission:
In March 2024, Government of India launched IndiaAI mission with outlay of Rs 10,372 Cr for development of the overall AI ecosystem in the country.

In less than 24 months, India AI Mission has set up a foundation for development of AI ecosystem in the country:
* More than 38 thousand GPUs for common compute facility have been onboarded, which are being provided to Indian start-ups and academia at an affordable rate.
* Twelve teams have been shortlisted for development of indigenous foundational models or Large Language Models.
* Thirty applications have been approved for developing India specific AI applications.
* More than eight thousand undergraduate students, five thousand post graduate students and five hundred PhD students are supported for talent development.
* 27 India Data and AI labs have been established and 543 more have been identified.

The implementation of 'IndiaAI Mission' is with a total outlay of Rs. 10,371.92 Cr for a period of 5 years. The detailed allocation of budgetary outlay among its seven key pillars is as follows:

Components	Total Outlay (₹ Cr)
IndiaAI Compute Capacity	4563.36
IndiaAI Foundation Models	1971.37
IndiaAI Datasets Platform	199.55
IndiaAI Application Development Initiative	689.05
IndiaAI FutureSkills	882.94
IndiaAI Startup Financing	1942.5
Safe & Trusted AI	20.46
IndiaAI Overheads and Contingency @1%	102.69
Total	10,371.92

The funds allocated and released since the inception of IndiaAI Mission is as under:

Sr No.	Year	Budgetary Estimates (Cr)	Amount received to IndiaAI (Cr)
1	2024-25	173.00 (R.E.)	21.79
2	2025-26	800.00 (R.E.)	379.15*
3	2026-27	1,000.00 (B.E.)	-

* As on 09.02.2026

IndiaAI Compute Capacity Pillar: This pillar under the IndiaAI Mission aims to provide high-end compute power (GPUs) to all, including MSMEs and startups, at an affordable cost.

- National AI compute capacity is operationalized through empaneled AI service providers offering GPU access on cloud at subsidized rates.
- Fourteen (14) AI Service providers have been empaneled to provide affordable access to high-end AI compute infrastructure.
- The data centres from which these services are delivered are located across multiple regions of the country. At present, all such AI service providers are MeitY-empaneled Cloud Service Providers, with data centres situated in cities such as Mumbai, Navi Mumbai, Hyderabad, Bengaluru, Noida and Jamnagar.
- The IndiaAI Compute Portal (https://compute.indiaai.gov.in) has been developed to enable discovery, access and utilisation of the empanelled AI cloud services.
- IndiaAI has notified an End User Policy governing access to GPU resources and subsidy allocation. Eligible end users include startups, MSMEs, researchers, academic institutions, students and Government entities.

- As on date, AI compute resources are being availed by 114 academic researchers, 47 startups and MSMEs, 8 IndiaAI Fellows, 32 students, 36 early-stage startups, 10 early-stage researchers, and 58 Government entities.

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