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**OUTCOMES OF INDIA AI IMPACT SUMMIT 2026 AND
PROGRESS OF INDIAAI MISSION**

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

- (a) the major outcomes of the India-AI Impact Summit 2026, including international collaborations, investment commitments and the timeline for implementation;
- (b) whether Government has assessed India's global AI position after the Summit, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the progress of key IndiaAI Mission components has been assessed against targets fixed, if so, the achievements and shortfalls;
- (d) whether India's AI compute capacity meets domestic demand and the extent of dependence on imported Graphics Processing Units (GPUs) and Tensor Processing Units (TPUs); and
- (e) the number of AI startups, research projects, professionals and jobs supported under the IndiaAI Mission, against targets fixed?

ANSWER

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(a) to (e): India's AI policy is based on Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of democratizing technology. It is aimed at creating economic opportunities and employment for youth, while addressing risks associated with AI.

India's AI strategy builds on India's vibrant IT sector with annual revenue of 300 billion dollars and 60 Lakh strong workforce. India AI Mission has seven pillars including development of AI models, applications, datasets, talent development and affordable compute.

India-AI Impact Summit 2026:

India hosted the India-AI Impact Summit from 16th to 21st February 2026 in New Delhi, with participation from delegations of over 100 countries and 20 international organisations.

The Summit established India as a global hub for artificial intelligence innovation, governance, partnership and inclusive growth.

Key outcomes included:

- Endorsement of the India AI Impact Summit Declaration by 92 countries and international organisations.

- The New Delhi Frontier AI Impact Commitments, signed by 13 leading global and Indian frontier model developers.
- The Global AI Impact Commons, showcasing 80+ AI impact case studies across 30+ countries.
- The Equitable AI Transition Playbook, released with the International Labour Organisation (ILO).
- The Voluntary Guiding Principles for Resilient, Innovative & Efficient AI (endorsed by 20+ countries) and for Reskilling in the Age of AI (endorsed by 24 countries).
- The Charter for the Democratic Diffusion of AI (20+ countries) and a Guidance Note on AI Governance (22 countries).
- The Trusted AI Commons (23 partner countries) and the Alliance for Advancing Inclusion through AI (21 countries and UNICEF).
- The Network of AI for Science Institutions (20 partner countries) and the Resilient AI Challenge, launched with France and UNESCO.
- India's accession to the Pax Silica coalition on semiconductor and AI supply-chain resilience.

India's Global AI Standing:

- India is ranked 3rd globally in AI competitiveness and ecosystem vibrancy, as per the Stanford Global AI Vibrancy Report 2025.
- India is the second-largest contributor to GitHub AI projects.
- India records a relative AI skill penetration score of 1.9 (Stanford AI Index 2025), ahead of the United States (1.7) and Canada (1.0).

IndiaAI Mission

The IndiaAI Mission was approved on 7th March 2024 with an outlay of ₹10,371.92 crore over five years, across seven pillars. Progress against each is as under:

- Compute: 15 Compute Service Providers empanelled; 238 end-users approved for subsidised compute support (115 Government entities, 80 startups/MSMEs, 43 researchers/academia/Fellows/students), with 93.18 lakh GPU hours sanctioned.
- Foundation Models: Of 506 applications received against the Call for Proposals of 30 January 2025, 20 indigenous model proposals (12 Large Multimodal Models, 8 Small Language Models) have been identified for support; 12 further proposals remain under approval. Sarvam AI, Gnani.AI, BharatGen and Avataar AI have already launched models.
- Application Development: 11 national hackathons/innovation challenges have supported 62 AI prototypes and 20 deployed solutions, with a further 57 prototypes under development.
- FutureSkills: 686 fellowships awarded, against a scheme design target of 500 PhD, 5,000 postgraduate and 8,000 undergraduate fellowships; 27 Data & AI Labs operational, with 188 further labs under establishment and 543 more identified.
- Startup Financing: 58 AI-CoEs approved; 22 approved and initiated across 13 States/UTs to date.
- Safe & Trusted AI: 13 responsible-AI projects selected.

AI Centres of Excellence:

Government has also approved a scheme for the establishment of 58 Artificial Intelligence Centres of Excellence (AI-CoEs) across States and Union Territories, in collaboration with the respective State/UT Governments and industry partners.

Compute Capacity

Compute for AI training and inference is powered by GPUs, TPUs and other server-grade chips. In this regard:

- Under the IndiaAI Compute pillar, more than 38,000 GPUs have been onboarded through 15 empanelled Compute Service Providers, offered at a subsidised average rate of approximately ₹65 per GPU-hour.
- The Government has taken up establishment of a High-Performance AI Compute System of approximately 1.1 EFLOPS at the NIC Data Centre, Shastri Park, Delhi, to strengthen sovereign compute capacity.
- India has joined the Pax Silica coalition to strengthen international cooperation on semiconductor and AI hardware supply chains.

India's compute ecosystem draws on globally sourced GPUs/TPUs procured by empanelled service providers, consistent with prevailing international supply chains for high-end AI hardware.
