

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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**EXTENDING INDIA'S DIGITAL PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE
TO PARTNER COUNTRIES**

2309. SHRI KARTIKEYA SHARMA:

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

- (a) the progress made in extending India's Digital Public Infrastructure, including Unified Payments Interface (UPI), DigiLocker and other India Stack solutions, to partner countries;
- (b) the number of countries with which agreements or partnerships have been entered into for deployment of such Digital Public Infrastructure solutions, along with the sectors covered thereunder; and
- (c) the expected strategic, economic and diplomatic benefits accruing to India from international deployment of its Digital Public Infrastructure, including its impact on digital trade, fintech exports and cross-border digital cooperation?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): The Government has made significant progress in extending its Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) to partner countries through a structured framework of international cooperation. The Government has signed 24 Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) to share India's population-scale digital solutions, including India Stack, with partner countries. Technical consultations, workshops and feasibility assessments were undertaken to identify suitable digital solutions based on the requirements and digital readiness of partner countries. Notable progress included the signing of an Implementation Framework Agreement (IFA) and Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) with Kenya for implementation of DigiLocker, commencement of development of a foundational DigiLocker solution in Cuba, and capacity-building under the ITEC programme. Further, bilateral consultations progressed with several partner countries for the adoption of solutions such as e-Sanjeevani, e-Office and e-Hospital. India also established UPI linkages with 10 partner countries to facilitate seamless cross-border digital payments.

The Government has entered into 24 MoUs with partner countries for cooperation in the field of Digital Public Infrastructure. These partnerships provided a framework for capacity building, knowledge and best-practice exchange, technical

workshops, expert consultations, feasibility and e-readiness assessments, and the development, piloting and scaling of India's proven digital solutions. The areas of cooperation covered key India Stack components such as DigiLocker, Digital ID, UPI, e-Sanjeevani, e-Office and e-Hospital, e-prison etc. In addition, UPI was integrated with the payment systems of partner countries to enable Person-to-Merchant (P2M) transactions and Person-to-Person (P2P) remittances, thereby expanding secure cross-border digital payment infrastructure. The country-wise list of signed MoUs on India Stack and details of countries using UPI along with Partner institutions are provided below.

List of partner countries of signed India Stack MoUs

S.No.	Recipient Country	Date of Signing
1	Ministry of Information, Communication Technologies, Utilities and Energy of the Antigua and Barbuda	13 th June,2023
2	Ministry of High-Tech Industry of the Republic of Armenia	12 th June,2023
3	Ministry of Information and Communications Technology of the Papua New Guinea	28 th July,2023
4	Ministry of Information and Communications of the Republic of Sierra Leone	12 th June,2023
5	Ministry of Economic Affairs, Entrepreneurship and Technological Innovation of the Republic of Suriname	12 th June,2023
6	Ministry of Digital Transformation of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago	11 th August,2023
7	Ministry of Information, Communication and Information Technology of the United Republic of Tanzania	09 th October ,2023
8	Ministry of Information, Communications and the Digital Economy of the Republic of Kenya	05 th December ,2023
9	Ministry of Communications of the Republic of Cuba	19 th January ,2024
10	Ministry of Information and Communications Technologies of the Republic of Colombia	16 th February ,2024
11	Ministry of Technology and Communications of the Lao People's Democratic Republic (Lao PDR)	27 th July ,2024
12	The Government of the Federation of Saint Christopher (Saint Kitts) and Nevis	05 th August ,2024
13	The Information Network Security Administration of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia	30 th September 2024
14	The office of the Prime Minister of Jamaica	01 st October ,2024
15	The Ministry of Communications and Digital Economy of the Republic of Gambia	03 rd October ,2024
16	Ministry of Trade, Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications of the Republic of Fiji	12 th November 2024
17	The office of the Prime Minister of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana	19 th November 2024

18	The Ministry of People's Power for Science and Technology of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela	12 th February 2025
19	The Ministry of Digital Economy of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka	5 th April 2025
20	The Ministry of Management and Innovation in Public Services of the Federative Republic of Brazil	8 th July 2025
21	The Ministry of Information, Communications, Science, Technology and Innovation of Kingdom of Lesotho	21 st July 2025
22	The Ministry of Homeland Security and Technology of the Republic of Maldives	24 th July 2025
23	The Ministry of Digital Development, Innovation & Communication of Mongolia	13 th October 2025
24	The Department of Information Communications Technology of the Republic of Seychelles	8 th February 2026

Countries using UPI along with Partner institutions

Sl.	Name of Country	Live for	Partner Institution	Live since
1.	Bhutan	P2M	RMA Bhutan	July 2021
2.	France	P2M	LYRA Network	February 2024
3.	Mauritius	P2M	Bank of Mauritius	February 2024
4.	Nepal	P2M	FonePay Payment Services Ltd.	March 2024
		P2P	Nepal Clearing House Limited (NCHL)	June 2026
5.	Qatar	P2M	Qatar National Bank	September 2025
6.	Singapore	P2M	NETS Singapore Pte. Ltd., HitPay Payments Solutions Pte. Ltd., LiquidPay Group Pte. Ltd	August 2021
		P2P	BCS Paynow	February 2023
7.	Sri Lanka	P2M	Lanka Pay Pvt. Ltd.	February 2024
8.	UAE	P2M	Mashreq Bank PSC (NeoPay) Network International Magnati- Sole Proprietorship LLC	April 2022
9.	Cambodia	P2M	Aceda Bank PLC	June 2026
10.	Greece	P2P	Eurobank S. A	May 2026

The deployment of India's Digital Public Infrastructure yielded significant strategic, economic and diplomatic benefits. It strengthened India's position as a trusted global partner in digital transformation, deepened digital cooperation with partner countries, particularly those in the Global South, and enhanced India's digital diplomacy. The wider adoption of India Stack created opportunities for Indian digital solutions and the fintech ecosystem, facilitated cross-border digital trade, and promoted interoperable digital payment systems through UPI.
