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**ESTABLISHMENT OF AI DATA CENTRE BY NATIONAL INFORMATICS
CENTRE**

713. SHRI KARTIKEYA SHARMA:

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

- (a) the salient features of Government's proposed Artificial Intelligence Data Centre being established by the National Informatics Centre and the details of AI-enabled Parliamentary and legal databases proposed thereunder;
- (b) whether Government proposes to develop similar sovereign domain-specific AI knowledge repositories for sectors such as healthcare, agriculture and education; and
- (c) the details of roadmap prepared for leveraging such repositories to develop indigenous AI applications for governance and public service delivery?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): India's AI policy is anchored in Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision for the democratization of technology. Under the IndiaAI Mission, the Government is constructing a sovereign AI stack encompassing compute capacity, foundational models, and indigenous applications.

To satisfy the requirements of Artificial Intelligence workloads, Graphics Processing Units (GPUs) have been onboarded from 15 empanelled service providers and data centres under the AI compute capacity framework.

Furthermore, a GPU-based compute facility featuring 248 GPUs is being established at the National Data Centre in New Delhi. This infrastructure is designed to provide critical AI inferencing support to various Government departments.

AI Initiatives in Government Sector

Several AI-driven services are currently operational across diverse sectors. Key initiatives in agriculture, education, and healthcare include:

- Development of a Bot for the Lok Sabha Secretariat by NIC to assist with parliamentary procedures, rules, and constitutional directions
- Creation of a Bot for the Department of Legal Affairs by NIC to facilitate access to central laws, rules, and notifications via the India Court Portal
- The Bharat Vistar initiative in the agriculture sector, acting as a multilingual platform to provide farmers with localized crop advisories, market prices, and weather updates

- The Nextgen e-hospital system, which enables AI-assisted radiologist interventions for the early detection of Tuberculosis through chest X-ray uploads
- Multilingual chatbots facilitated by NIC for the National Scholarship Portal (NSP) to enhance student accessibility

AI model development roadmap:

The Government of India is supporting Indian startups and institutions to develop large language models. 20 indigenous sovereign model proposals have been identified for support, comprising 12 Large Language Models (LLMs) and 8 Small language Models (SLMs).

Significant milestones include Sarvam AI's 30B and 105B parameter models, Gnani.ai's speech-to-speech model, BharatGen's multilingual foundation models, and Avataar AI's video-generation model.

Additionally, AIKosh serves as the national datasets platform, offering access to over 13,445 datasets across 22 sectors from 578+ organizations. It also hosts 329 AI models and 202 documented use cases to drive research and innovation in AI solutions.
