

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PLANNING

LOK SABHA  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2866**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.03.2020**

**NATIONAL STRATEGY ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE**

2866. SHRI P. P. CHAUDHARY:

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of implementation of National Strategy on Artificial Intelligence by NITI Aayog;
- (b) the status of Centre of Excellence for Artificial Intelligence; and
- (c) the number of countries with which NITI Aayog has partnered for knowledge sharing of Artificial Intelligence?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING  
AND MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF  
STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a) and (b) NITI Aayog, after extensive consultation with various Ministries and leading academicians, institutions, practitioners and industry players, had released India's National Strategy for Artificial Intelligence (NSAI) for the country in June 2018. The Strategy outlined proposed efforts in research, development, adoption and skilling in AI. The major recommendations of the Strategy include, inter alia, setting up Centres of Research Excellence (CORE)- focused on fundamental research; and International Centres on Transformational AI (ICTAI)- focused on applied research. The AI vertical of the National Mission on Interdisciplinary Cyber-Physical Systems (NM-ICPS) programme of DST will be implemented as per the recommendations of the NSAI. The details of the implementation mechanism for the NSAI are being finalised.

(c) NITI Aayog has collaborated with several countries and entities for knowledge sharing in AI viz. Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS, Government of UK), Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI, Japan), Nanyang Technological University (Singapore) and Treasury, Government of Australia.

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