

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA
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AI ACTION SUMMIT

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether it is a fact that Prime Minister of India has recently visited France for AI Action Summit;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the details of the key principles outlined in “Statement on Inclusive and Sustainable Artificial Intelligence” for people and the Planet; and**
- (d) the manner in which India and France plan to address the digital divide and ensure accessibility in artificial intelligence development, as discussed during the summit?**

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

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(a) Yes.

(b) to (c) The AI Action Summit, held in Paris on February 10-11, 2025, witnessed participation from 30 Heads of State/Government, 57 Ministers, 12 Heads of International Organizations, and 41 CEOs and business leaders from the field. A statement titled "Inclusive and Sustainable Artificial Intelligence for People and the Planet" was adopted, the key principles of which include: Public Interest and Accessibility to reduce digital divides and ensuring that AI systems are ethical, inclusive, and trustworthy; Diversity and Human-Centric Approach; and Innovation and Sustainability. The discussions also focused on ethical and inclusive global AI governance to ensure safe, reliable, and environmentally responsible AI development. The Public Interest AI Platform and Incubator was launched during the Summit to bridge gaps between public and private efforts, reduce fragmentation, and promote accessibility. It focuses on supporting digital public goods, capacity building, data sharing, transparency, and collaborative model development.

(d) India and France have outlined a collaborative approach to addressing the digital divide and ensuring accessibility in AI development including open source AI frameworks to enhance trust and transparency in AI systems while advocating for a human-

centric approach. India and France separately adopted the Bilateral Declaration on Artificial Intelligence which underscores the shared commitment of both nations to develop safe, secure, and trustworthy AI systems that align with democratic values and the common good. The declaration highlights efforts to bridge the digital divide by promoting capacity-building, fostering international cooperation, and preventing AI-driven inequalities or misinformation.
