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**GLOBAL AI COMPUTE GRID**

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

- (a) the projected commissioning date of IndiaAI Compute Infrastructure under the Global AI Compute Grid (GCC) and the phase-wise compute capacity targets set under the Rs. 10,372 crore IndiaAI Mission;
- (b) the time by which SARVAM AI be made publicly accessible and the amount of funds (in Rs.) allocated and disbursed for its development since the inception of the project;
- (c) the number of entities shortlisted for IndiaAI Innovation Centre, Artificial Intelligence (AI) datasets platform and IndiaAI Future Skills programme and whether the list is likely to be released publicly; and
- (d) if so, whether the Government has fixed time-bound milestones and audit mechanisms for tracking delivery, expenditure and public access across IndiaAI Mission components?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
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(a) to (d): India's AI strategy is based on the Hon'ble Prime Minister's vision to democratize the use of technology. It aims to address India centric challenges, create economic and employment opportunities for all Indians.

**Affordable Compute Capacity**

A National AI compute capacity has been operationalized through empanelled AI service providers offering GPU access on cloud at subsidized rates to eligible users. The common compute is available to startups, researchers, academic institutions and government organizations.

- More than 38,000 GPUs have been empanelled through 14 AI service providers to provide shared AI compute infrastructure
- Data centres located across the country including Mumbai, Navi Mumbai, Hyderabad, Bengaluru, Noida and Jamnagar are providing these services
- IndiaAI Compute Portal (<https://compute.indiaai.gov.in>) enables eligible users including researchers to discover and access GPU compute resources

- Access to these GPUs is provided at subsidized rates; Average rate is approximately Rs 65 per GPU per hour, except for select high-end GPUs
- Empanelled providers are delivering storage, networking, AI platforms and other supporting services necessary for AI model development and deployment

The compute capacity is being further expanded by adding 20,000 GPUs under the IndiaAI Mission (currently under process).

### **India's own Foundational Models under the IndiaAI Mission:**

Under this pillar, the Government of India is supporting Indian startups, consortia and institutions to develop large language models, multimodal models and domain-specific small language models.

Twelve organisations and consortia, including startups, industry players and academic institutions have been selected for developing Large and Small Language Models based on Indian datasets.

The models are being developed based on Indian datasets spanning all 22 scheduled Indian languages.

The selected projects cover multilingual foundational models, speech and voice models, multimodal AI, scientific models, healthcare reasoning systems, and agentic AI platforms.

The resulting AI models are expected to contribute to the open-source ecosystem by making them available through AIKosh platform for other startups and researchers. This will fuel innovation across India's startup and research community.

Details of these organisations on **Annexure -1**.

Financial assistance is provided to selected organizations to cover actual compute usage costs, while an additional 25% of the compute expenditure is being earmarked to support ancillary expenses such as datasets and personnel.

Models developed by Sarvam AI, BharatGen, Gnani and Socket were launched during the IndiaAI Impact Summit 2026. These models represent important progress in building India's own AI capabilities tailored to local languages and use-cases.

Sarvam AI's model has demonstrated relatively high accuracy in document understanding and Indic language processing. BharatGen, led by the IIT Bombay consortium, has developed Param2 AI model.

Sarvam and BharatGen models are now available on AIKosh platform for the developer community to develop AI based applications based on that.

### **IndiaAI FutureSkills**

Under the IndiaAI FutureSkills pillar, the Government is developing an extensive AI talent and research pipeline by supporting 500 PhD fellows, 5,000 postgraduates and 8,000 undergraduates.

To date, 500+ fellowships have already been awarded across UG, PG, and PhD levels, covering students from 80+ institutions.

A dedicated portal called <https://fellowship.indiaai.gov.in/> has been created to facilitate the application process.

The Government has put in place a structured governance and monitoring framework under the IndiaAI Mission to ensure time-bound implementation, financial oversight and outcome tracking across its components.

- **Mission Governing Board (MGB):**

The apex body responsible for overall guidance, periodic review and strategic oversight. It reviews the technical and financial progress of the Mission at least annually and provides directions to ensure timely achievement of objectives.

- **Project Review and Steering Committee (PRSG):**

Responsible for defining delivery milestones, performance metrics and implementation frameworks for each component. It also undertakes half-yearly review of financial progress and recommends release of funds based on performance.

- **Project Implementation Monitoring Committee (PIMC):**

Monitors the implementation and progress of individual components on a continuous basis, ensuring adherence to timelines and delivery targets.

These mechanisms collectively ensure regular monitoring, milestone-based execution, financial accountability and course correction, thereby enabling effective delivery and public access to outcomes under the IndiaAI Mission.

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## Annexure - 1

Proposals selected to build India's Foundation Models:

1. **Sarvam AI** - Developing an open source 120 billion parameter AI model to enhance governance and public service access through use cases like "2047: Citizen Connect" and "AI4Pragati".
2. **Soket AI** - Developing India's first open-source 120 billion parameter foundation model optimized for the country's linguistic diversity, targeting sectors such as defence, healthcare, and education.
3. **Gnani AI** - Building a 14 billion parameter Voice AI foundation model delivering multilingual, real-time speech processing with advanced reasoning capabilities.
4. **Gan AI** – Creating a 70 billion parameter multilingual foundation model targeting "Superhuman TTS(text-to-speech)" capabilities to surpass current global leaders.
5. **Avatar AI** – Creating specialized “AI Avatars” up to 70B parameters, optimized for Indian languages and domains such as agriculture, healthcare, and governance.
6. **IIT Bombay Consortium – Bharat Gen** – Developing multilingual and multimodal models ranging from 2B to 1T parameters, with an open-source approach to support applications in agriculture, finance, legal, health, and education.
7. **Fractal Analytics Ltd.** – Building India's first large reasoning model of up to 70B parameters, designed for structured reasoning, STEM disciplines, and medical problem-solving.
8. **Tech Mahindra Maker's Lab** – Designing an efficient 8B parameter model for Indic languages (with a focus on Hindi dialects), alongside an agentic AI platform, Orion, for government applications.
9. **Zenteiq** – Developing BrahmAI, a science-driven multimodal foundation model (8B–80B parameters) to advance engineering intelligence, scientific computing, and industrial innovation.
10. **GenLoop** – Creating small language models (2B parameters) – Yukti (Base), Varta (Instruction), and Kavach (Guard) – to support all 22 scheduled Indian languages with native reasoning and content moderation.
11. **Intellihealth** – Proposing a 20B parameter model for EEG signal analysis to enable early screening of neurological disorders and advance brain–computer interface research.
12. **Shodh AI** – Developing a 7B parameter model for material discovery, integrating AI into experimental workflows to accelerate innovation in material sciences.

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