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AI DATA LABS

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

- (a) the number of IndiaAI Data and AI Labs approved, established and operational in the country, State/UT-wise especially in Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) the number of persons enrolled, trained and certified through such Labs since inception, year and State/UT-wise especially in Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) the details of courses, training programmes and capacity-building initiatives offered through such Labs and the institutions engaged in their implementation;
- (d) the details of funds sanctioned, released and utilised for establishment and operation of such Labs, year and State/UT-wise especially in Andhra Pradesh;
- (e) whether the Government has assessed training, placement, employment and entrepreneurship outcomes of persons trained through such Labs and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the details of steps taken or proposed by the Government to establish additional IndiaAI Data and AI Labs and strengthen their utilisation in Andhra Pradesh?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (f): **IndiaAI Mission:**

India's AI policy is based on Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of democratizing technology. It is aimed at creating economic opportunities and employment for youth, while addressing risks associated with it.

India's AI strategy builds on India's vibrant IT sector with annual revenue of 300 billion dollars and 60 Lakh strong workforce. India AI Mission supports India's AI ambitions under seven pillars including development of AI models, applications, datasets, talent development and affordable compute.

AI models:

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 LLMs and 8 SLMs. Notable successes so far include:

- Sarvam AI's Sarvam 30 billion parameter and 105 billion parameter models
- Gnani.AI's speech-to-speech model
- BharatGen's multilingual foundation models
- Avataar AI's video generation model

Domain-specific SLMs, include specialized models and AI frameworks addressing healthcare, language technologies and agentic AI systems are at various stages of development and deployment.

Affordable compute:

- Compute service providers empanelled: 15
- Number of projects supported: 237
- GPU hours sanctioned: 93.18 lakh GPU hours

Application Development:

- 12 National-level Hackathons/Innovation Challenges launched.
- Supported the development of 62 AI prototypes and 20 AI solutions deployment

Talent development:

- 686 fellowships have been awarded across undergraduate, postgraduate and doctoral programmes in 178 institutions.
- YUVA AI for All programme has been completed by over 26.5 lakh individuals.

IndiaAI Data and AI Labs

Under the IndiaAI FutureSkills pillar, IndiaAI Data and AI Labs are being established to create AI-ready talent by providing hands-on training in Artificial Intelligence, Data Science and related emerging technologies, particularly in Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities. The primary objective of these Data and AI Labs is capacity building and skill development. Accordingly, the labs are focusing on training and certification activities. More details about these labs can be accessed from <https://indiaai.gov.in/hub/indiaai-futureskills>

IndiaAI Data & AI Labs:

- The 27 IndiaAI Data and AI Labs established at NIELIT Centres are operational, and the State-wise details are placed at Annexure-I. Additionally, work on establishing another 188 Data and AI Labs at ITIs/Polytechnics is currently underway.
- The Labs presently offer the following NCVET-recognised foundational certification courses:
 - i. Fundamentals of Data Annotation using Python (120 hours); and
 - ii. Fundamentals of Data Curation using Python (120 hours).

As of date, under these courses:

- i. Total students registered: 5,544 (2,611 in Data Annotation and 2,933 in Data Curation)
- ii. Students currently undergoing training: 2,365
- iii. Students trained: 3,161
- iv. Students certified: 1,249

(State-wise details are placed at Annexure-II)

- An amount of Rs. 8.29 Cr. has been released for the establishment and operationalisation of 27 IndiaAI Data and AI Labs at NIELIT Centres.
- Additionally, Rs. 9.58 Cr. has been released for the establishment of 188 IndiaAI Data and AI Labs in ITIs and Polytechnics, which are presently undertaking procurement and infrastructure development activities and are yet to become operational.
- In Andhra Pradesh, 21 ITIs and 7 Polytechnics have been selected under this initiative. An amount of Rs. 1.07 Cr. has been released for the selected ITIs, which are currently in the process of procurement and infrastructure setup. The details of the selected ITIs are placed at Annexure-III

State-wise details of operational IndiaAI Data & AI labs:

S.No.	State	Number of operational labs
1.	Arunachal Pradesh	1
2.	Assam	3
3.	Bihar	3
4.	Haryana	1
5.	Himachal Pradesh	1
6.	Jammu & Kashmir	2
7.	Jharkhand	1
8.	Kerala	1
9.	Ladakh	1
10.	Maharashtra	1
11.	Manipur	1
12.	Meghalaya	1
13.	Mizoram	1
14.	Nagaland	1
15.	Odisha	1
16.	Punjab	1
17.	Rajasthan	1
18.	Sikkim	1
19.	Tripura	1
20.	Uttar Pradesh	2
21.	Uttarakhand	1
	TOTAL	27

Annexure II**State-wise status of registrations, training and certification in IndiaAI labs:****Course I: Fundamentals of Data Annotation using Python**

State/UT	Registered	Undergoing Training	Trained	Certified	Dropout
Arunachal Pradesh	114	29	85	7	0
Assam	212	28	184	90	0
Bihar	286	100	186	32	0
Haryana	47	38	9	4	0
Himachal Pradesh	118	27	88	22	3
Jammu & Kashmir	171	20	151	48	0
Jharkhand	112	92	20	20	0
Kerala	129	0	129	43	0
Ladakh	89	30	59	20	0
Maharashtra	94	34	60	20	0
Manipur	52	40	12	8	0
Meghalaya	67	40	27	8	0
Mizoram	116	49	67	27	0
Nagaland	36	29	7	5	0
Odisha	185	125	60	0	0
Punjab	157	77	75	41	5
Rajasthan	40	0	40	14	0
Sikkim	152	62	90	21	0
Tripura	209	116	93	88	0
Uttar Pradesh	132	115	17	15	0
Uttarakhand	93	0	93	16	0
Total	2611	1051	1552	549	8

Course II: Fundamentals of Data Curation using Python

Location	Registered	Undergoing Training	Trained	Certified	Dropout
Arunachal Pradesh	20	0	20	3	0
Assam	364	236	128	61	0
Bihar	289	105	184	60	0
Haryana	48	35	13	11	0
Himachal Pradesh	143	40	99	32	4
Jammu & Kashmir	183	32	151	73	0
Jharkhand	95	75	20	15	0
Kerala	130	0	130	41	0
Ladakh	120	59	61	21	0
Maharashtra	89	29	60	18	0
Manipur	198	132	66	34	0
Meghalaya	79	28	51	32	0
Mizoram	103	50	53	45	0
Nagaland	82	38	43	36	1
Odisha	189	50	139	29	0
Punjab	109	45	60	52	4
Rajasthan	20	1	19	16	0
Sikkim	137	39	98	28	0
Tripura	210	103	107	60	0
Uttar Pradesh	232	217	14	14	1
Uttarakhand	93	0	93	19	0
Total	2,933	1,314	1,609	700	10

Annexure III

Details of IndiaAI Data & AI labs in Andhra Pradesh:

S.No.	State	Name of the Govt. ITI
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Govt. ITI, Dhone
2.	Andhra Pradesh	Govt. ITI (Girls), Nellore
3.	Andhra Pradesh	Govt. ITI (New), Gajuwaka, Vishakhapatnam
4.	Andhra Pradesh	Government ITI Vijayawada
5.	Andhra Pradesh	Govt. ITI, Tirupati
6.	Andhra Pradesh	Government ITI, Kakinada
7.	Andhra Pradesh	Govt. ITI, IE, Eluru
8.	Andhra Pradesh	Govt ITI Rajamahendravaram
9.	Andhra Pradesh	Govt. R. ITI (Girls) Kadapa
10.	Andhra Pradesh	GOVT. ITI (GIRLS), VISAKHAPATNAM
11.	Andhra Pradesh	GOVT. DLTC/ITI, GUNTUR
12.	Andhra Pradesh	GOVT. ITI (GIRLS), KURNOOL
13.	Andhra Pradesh	GOVT. ITI (BOYS), NELLORE
14.	Andhra Pradesh	GOVT. ITI (BOYS), ONGOLE
15.	Andhra Pradesh	GOVT. DLTC/ITI, KADAPA
16.	Andhra Pradesh	GOVT. ITI, CHITTOOR
17.	Andhra Pradesh	GOVT. ITI (BOYS), ANANTAPUR
18.	Andhra Pradesh	GOVT. ITI (GIRLS), VIZIANAGARAM
19.	Andhra Pradesh	GOVT. ITI, TENALI
20.	Andhra Pradesh	GOVT. DLTC/ITI, SRIKAKULAM
21.	Andhra Pradesh	GOVT. ITI (GIRLS), BHIMAVARAM
