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**Conference on**  
**“Harnessing AI and Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) for Viksit Bharat”**

**Date:** Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2025

**Venue:** Hotel Shangri-La Eros, New Delhi

**Agenda (as on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2025)**

8:45 AM - 9:45 AM	<b>Registration and Networking Tea</b>
9:55 AM – 11:10 AM	<b>Inaugural Session</b>
9:55 AM – 10:00 AM	<b>Opening Remarks and Lamp Lighting Ceremony</b>
10:00 AM – 10:09 AM	<b>Welcome Address:</b> <b>Shri Bhuvnesh Kumar</b> , CEO, Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) & CEO, National Institute for Smart Government (NISG)
10:10 AM - 10:19 AM	<b>Keynote Address:</b> <b>Shri Mahaveer Singhvi</b> , Joint Secretary, NEST [New, Emerging & Strategic Technologies] Division, Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India
10:19 AM – 10:25 AM	<b>Industry Remarks:</b> <b>Mr. Ranjeet Goswami</b> , Global Head, Corporate Affairs, TCS
10:25 AM - 10:32 AM	<b>Remarks:</b> <b>Mr. Rahul Rishi</b> , GPS Leader, EY on the Knowledge Report
10:32 AM - 10:34 AM	Release of NISG-EY Report
10:34 AM – 10:49 AM	<b>Special Address:</b> <i>“India's Digital Decade - positioning India as a global leader in digital governance”</i>  <b>Guest of Honor:</b> <b>Shri M Nagaraju</b> , Secretary, Department of Financial Services (DFS), Ministry of Finance, Government of India
10:49 AM - 11:04 AM	<b>Inaugural Address:</b> <i>“Vision for a digitally empowered India and role of DPI and AI in achieving “Viksit Bharat 2047”</i>  <b>Chief Guest:</b> <b>Shri S. Krishnan</b> , Secretary, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India
11:04 AM - 11:06 AM	<b>Memento and Group Photo</b>
11:06 AM - 11:08 AM	<b>Vote of Thanks:</b>  <b>Shri Srinath Chakravarthy</b> , Senior Vice President, National Institute for Smart Government (NISG)

<b>11:10 AM – 12:20 PM</b>	<b>Session I – AI and Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI)</b>
11:10 AM – 11:25 AM	<b>Keynote Address:</b>  <b>Mr. Shankar Maruwada</b> , Co-founder & CEO, EkStep Foundation
11:25 AM – 12:05 PM	<b>Panel Discussion: Empowering Governance through Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Overview of DPI ecosystem</li> <li>– Challenges in scaling up India's DPI</li> <li>– Building Trust, Transparency and Inclusion</li> <li>– DPI implementation - Interoperability, and potential use cases for adoption by State Governments, Public Sector and Countries</li> </ul>
	<b>Moderator: Mr. Sivakumar Moorthy</b> , DPI Leader, EY  <b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mr. Shankar Maruwada</b>, Co-founder &amp; CEO, EkStep Foundation</li> <li>• <b>Mr. Sanjay Jain</b>, Director, Digital Public Infrastructure, Gates Foundation</li> <li>• <b>Mr. K. Balachandran</b>, Whole-time Director, CEO &amp; Co-founder, IRIS Business Services Limited</li> <li>• <b>Mr. Rohit Lohia</b>, CBO, Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC)</li> <li>• <b>Mr. Chandra Malladi</b>, Segment Head - Growth Markets, TCS</li> </ul>
12:05 PM - 12:15 PM	Q&A
12:00 PM - 12:15 PM	Running Tea / Coffee
<b>12:15 PM – 1:30 PM</b>	<b>Session II - AI and Emerging technologies for Modern Governance</b>
12:15 PM - 12:30 PM	<b>Government Keynote Address:</b>  <b>Shri Abhishek Singh</b> , Additional Secretary, MeitY, Director General, NIC & CEO, IndiaAI Mission, Government of India
12:30 PM - 12:36 PM	<b>Industry Keynote Address:</b>  <b>Mr. Gautam Aggarwal</b> , Division President, South Asia & Country Corporate Officer, Mastercard India <b>(Invited)</b>
<b>12:36 PM – 1:20 PM</b>	<b>Panel Discussion: “Adopting AI and Emerging Technologies for transforming Governance”</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Potential and opportunities for adoption of AI in Public Services and digital inclusion using DPI</li> <li>– Current landscape and government initiatives supporting AI adoption</li> <li>– Future use cases on DPI with AI on the forefront</li> <li>– Building AI Skills for the Public Sector &amp; Government Services</li> <li>– Exploring futuristic DPI and AI use-cases</li> </ul>
	<b>Moderator: Mr. Anurag Dua</b> , Partner, EY

	<b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Shri Abhishek Singh</b>, Additional Secretary, MeitY, Director General, NIC &amp; CEO, IndiaAI Mission, Government of India</li> <li>• <b>Ms. Debjani Ghosh</b>, Distinguished Fellow, NITI Aayog and Chief Architect, NITI Frontier Tech Hub</li> <li>• <b>Mr. Gautam Aggarwal</b>, Division President, South Asia &amp; Country Corporate Officer, Mastercard India <b>(Invited)</b></li> <li>• <b>Mr. Vishal Dixit</b>, India Country Head, Wipro Ltd.</li> </ul>
1:20 PM - 1:30 PM	Q&A
<b>1:30 PM - 2:15 PM</b>	<b>Networking Lunch</b>
<b>2:20 PM - 2:50 PM</b>	<b>Session III – Fireside Chat with NISG leadership</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Role of NISG in digital transformation of Government sector</li> <li>– NISG as a partner to Government to promote innovation, e-governance and delivery of citizen services</li> <li>– NISG in the design and implementation of mission mode projects (MMP) in India viz. MCA-21, Passport Seva Project, Aadhaar, commercial taxes, immigration, health, and agriculture</li> <li>– Aspirations to go global and assist Foreign Governments for international projects in Digital Transformation, e-governance and National Identity projects viz. Sri Lanka, Myanmar</li> </ul>
	<b>Moderator: Shri Srinath Chakravarthy</b> , Senior Vice President, National Institute for Smart Government (NISG)  <b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Shri Bhuvnesh Kumar</b>, CEO, Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) &amp; CEO, National Institute for Smart Government (NISG)</li> <li>• <b>Shri Alok Shankar Pandey</b>, Group General Manager – IT &amp; Chief Information Security Officer, Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India Limited (DFCCIL)</li> </ul>
2:50 PM - 2:55 PM	Q&A
<b>3:00 PM - 4:05 PM</b>	<b>Session IV – Session with States on DPI &amp; AI</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– State’s vision and achievements in Digital Transformation</li> <li>– Showcase State initiatives, policies, and opportunities using AI in digital governance - Agri-tech, health-tech, skilling etc.</li> <li>– Invite partnerships for scaling up Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) using AI</li> </ul>
3:00 PM – 3:15 PM	<b>Presentation by Government of Tripura on State Initiatives</b>
3:15 PM – 3:55 PM	<b>Moderator: Mr. Pankaj Khurana</b> , Partner, EY

	<b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Shri Saurabh K. Tiwari</b>, Additional Secretary, Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) Mission, Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Vageesh Tiwari</b>, Director – Digital Governance Division, MeitY, Government of India</li> <li>• <b>Shri Yasin M. Choudhary</b>, Secretary IT, Govt. of Puducherry</li> <li>• <b>Shri Jeya Ragul Geshan B</b>, Director, IT &amp; Head, Startup Tripura, Govt. of Tripura</li> </ul>
3:55 PM – 4:05 PM	Q&A
4:00 PM – 4:10 PM	Running Tea / Coffee
4:05 PM - 5:05 PM	<b>Session V – Transforming Governance with DPI &amp; AI – Successful Case Studies in Public Service Delivery</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– How AI can help in improving distribution of Government Services and Inclusion</li> <li>– What is required to be done to improve Digital Infrastructure and Scalability</li> <li>– Use Cases – How DPI &amp; AI is enhancing Cybersecurity, improving Agri output and other sectoral use cases</li> <li>– Involving Academia/Public Sector in creating future use cases</li> </ul>
	<b>Moderator: Mr. Prakash Jayaram, Partner EY</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr. Pramod Kumar Meherda</b>, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture &amp; Farmers Welfare, Government of India</li> <li>• <b>Mr. Amitabh Nag</b>, CEO, Digital India BHASHINI Division</li> <li>• <b>Mr. Sujith Nair</b>, Co-Creator, BECKN Protocol, CEO, Beckn Labs, Co-Founder, NFH, CEO and Co-founder, FIDE</li> </ul>
5:05 PM - 5:10 PM	Q&A
5:10 PM - 5:20 PM	<b>Closing Remarks, Way forward &amp; Vote of Thanks</b>
5:20 PM	<b>Conference Ends</b>