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GUIDELINES FOR ORGANISATIONS WORKING ON AI

1343. SHRI DEREK O' BRIEN:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is developing a set of voluntary guidelines for organizations working on Artificial Intelligence (AI); and

(b) if so, the number of stakeholders Government has consulted so far and the number of stakeholders Government is planning to consult further?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b): The Government of India emphasizes the concept of 'AI for All,' aligning with the Prime Minister's vision to foster and promote the use of cutting-edge technologies across the country. This initiative aims to ensure that AI benefits all sectors of society, driving innovation and growth.

The Government is committed to harnessing the power of Artificial Intelligence (AI) for the good of our people in sectors like healthcare, agriculture, education, Governance, DPI and others. At the same time, the Government is cognizant of the risks posed by AI. Hallucination, bias, misinformation and deepfakes are some of the challenges posed by AI.

The Government is cognizant of the need to create guardrails to ensure that Artificial Intelligence (AI) is safe and trusted. Accordingly, Government's aim to create a supportive environment that encourages organizations to follow good practices voluntarily. This approach focuses on making AI systems fair, transparent, and safe for everyone, while fostering innovation to harness the full potential of AI. NASSCOM along with stakeholders from industry is working on voluntary guidelines to promote safe, secure and trustworthy development and deployment of AI.
