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Proceedings of the meeting held under the chairpersonship of Secretary (DDTG) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh at his office chamber on 16.09.2023 at 10:30 AM regarding discussion on IT Initiatives with various organizations under the Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MietY), Government of India

At the outset, Dr. Abhishek Jain, Secretary (DDTG) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh welcomed all the participants present in the meeting. The list of the participants is enclosed at Annexure 'A'. The points discussed and decisions taken during the meeting are as follows: -

1. Dr. Abhishek Jain, Secretary (DDTG) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh gave a brief overview of the Department of Digital Technologies and Governance and informed that the department has recently reframed its vision and mission. The **Vision** is:

"To achieve digital transformation of Himachal Pradesh involving advanced digital technologies, reliable data and connectivity for effective governance and inclusive development";

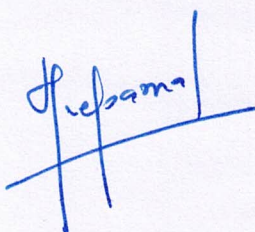
The **Mission** is:

"To adopt digital technologies, fast and universally accessible data connectivity for inclusive development and governance aiming at digital transformation of Himachal Pradesh". The Four Pillars of the Department are:

- a. Digital Technologies
- b. Digital Infrastructure and Data Governance
- c. Digital Transformation for Inclusive Development
- d. Investment and Industry Promotion

2. Keeping in view the above vision and mission, the Chairman informed that the State Government intends to collaborate with different government agencies in the following areas:

- a. Report Management System - Having a good report management system is essential for several offices in the State. This will streamline day-to-day operations and save a lot of time, overall productivity, and effectiveness in the departments.
- b. To operate the systems in the default mode through automated processes - To identify and implement automated solutions that optimize their workflows and work efficiently on default mode.



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- c. Digital Literacy Campaigns to educate the people of the State in basic operations of digital technology devices like mobile phones, computers etc. Such capacity building is required not only for the privileged, young, literate, urban people but also for underprivileged, old, illiterate, rural and residing in remote areas.
- d. The capacity building of the Government employees is also required to carry out transformation and change in the mindset of the government functionaries to achieve optimum efficiency from the use of digital technologies in Governance.
- e. The Data Analysis with analytic tools is required for better decision-making in the Government business.

Each of the agencies, present in the meeting was asked to inform whether they will be able to take up these activities. The responses of the agencies are as under:

1. **CDAC Chandigarh:** Ms. Sonia Dosanjh, the Joint Director apprised that they have a wide-ranging scope of IT operations encompassing all domains on a payment basis. They offer services such as MIS (Management Information System) implementation, website revamping, and the development of report management systems. It was also apprised that the training on Big Data Technologies free of charge which will take in October. However, any other workshop will be on a paid basis. The FutureSkillPrime scheme of MeitY for government officers can be offered at very minimal fees. The Chairman directed that a Digital Transformation workshop may be organized shortly, with the involvement of CDAC.
2. **NIELIT Shimla:** Sh. Rajeev Aggarwal, the Director of NIELT Shimla apprised that they have a target of 15 lakhs for digital literacy, and they offer training at a very nominal charge, making it possible to reach a large portion of the public with affordable digital literacy programs.
3. **CDAC Pune:** Sh. Vinesh Bhuria, the Authorised Regional Coordinator (PACE) of CDAC-Pune informed that they are operating 80 centres in the State. They offer various training programs and can contribute towards digital literacy and capacity building. This program also allows for the identification of master trainers, and it is possible to train one or two people in a village.
4. **ISB:** Mrs. Arushi Jain, Policy Director, Bharti Institute of Public Policy, ISB informed that they have developed a visualization portal for the State which has 90 datasets on

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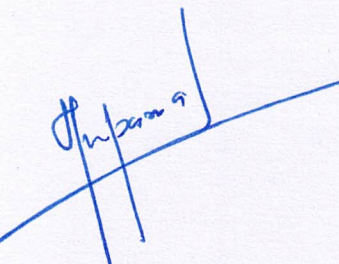
the portal. Recently, Him Data Portal was created with association of Indian School of Business which was launched by Hon'ble Chief Minister, HP. It was also informed that in order to setup data processes within departments, NESDA evaluation has been carried out by them. They have prepared a report that will help the State in providing services to the citizens of the State more efficiently and conveniently by improving various online interfaces. They informed that the training programmers/workshops can be done on digital transformation and emerging technologies which can be 5 days or 3 days or 1 day interaction.

5. **NIC-HP:** The SIO has informed that they have various software applications operating within the state, including eOffice and department-specific software. They also emphasized the need for departments to start adopting existing IT solutions like Manav Sampada and promote their usage. Additionally, they offer Blockchain and AI solutions on a payment basis.
6. It was also decided that NIC may take up automation in the Labour and Employment Department and Home, while the Vigilance Clearance Certificate (VCC) may be given online. It was further decided that the Department may nominate Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) in all departments in the State.

Further, it was also decided that the DDTG shall hold one on one discussions with all the agencies to formulate strategies to work ahead together for further cooperation between the State Government and the respective agencies.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the Chairman.

(Approved By)
Secretary (DDTG) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh



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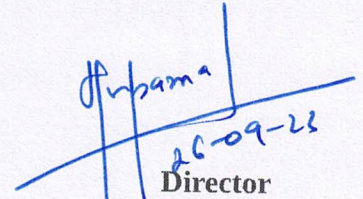
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Annexure-A

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