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Foreword

It is a moment of pride to present the Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026, a milestone that reflects our commitment to shaping a future-ready, technology-driven, and inclusive Rajasthan. Artificial Intelligence now stands at the heart of innovation, governance excellence, and economic transformation. Rajasthan, with its strong digital public infrastructure, expanding talent base, and progressive governance mindset, is now poised to harness the power of AI. It will improve citizen services, enable transparent administration, strengthen industry growth, and open new opportunities for our youth.

Our vision of Viksit Rajasthan 2047 recognizes technology as a key driver of social and economic progress. Through this policy, we are not only laying the foundation for responsible and ethical use of AI, but also empowering startups, MSMEs, research institutions, and industries to participate in an expanding nation's digital economy.

I am confident that this policy will become a catalyst for innovation, nurture future talent, and position Rajasthan as a leading AI hub in India. It is my firm belief that together—Government, Industry, Academia, Startups and Citizens—we will build a secure, inclusive and prosperous AI-enabled future for every resident of Rajasthan.

BHAJAN LAL SHARMA
Chief Minister, Rajasthan

Foreword

India has entered a new phase of technological advancement, with digital innovation driving governance reform and economic growth. Under the visionary leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji and the dynamic governance of Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Bhajanlal Sharma Ji, Rajasthan is moving with purpose to be at the forefront of this transformation.

The Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 outlines a strategic framework aimed at harnessing the power of Artificial Intelligence to drive inclusive growth, efficient governance, and technology-led development. The policy builds on Rajasthan's strong digital backbone, its Tier-4 Data Centre, statewide e-Mitra network, RCAT-led skilling ecosystem, and a fast-growing startup culture, creating a solid foundation for next-generation innovation.

Through AI-enabled governance, public services will become more proactive, predictive, and citizen-centric. By enabling innovation through incentives, innovation challenges, cloud and compute support, R&D facilitation, skill development, and startup acceleration, the policy seeks to nurture a robust AI ecosystem capable of generating high-value employment and fostering entrepreneurship at scale.

Responsible AI is central to this vision. The policy embeds strong principles of privacy, fairness, transparency, security, and the ethical use of data. A dedicated Centre of Excellence for AI, working in alignment with national missions and global partners, will anchor research, capacity building, and the deployment of scalable AI solutions across key sectors such as agriculture, education, healthcare, tourism, and the environment.

The Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 sets a clear direction for how emerging technologies can be harnessed to serve citizens, strengthen institutions, and unlock new economic opportunities. By enabling innovation while upholding the principles of Responsible AI, the policy seeks to create scalable solutions, future-ready talent, and collaborative ecosystems that contribute to India's long-term technological leadership in an increasingly AI-driven world.

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1. PREAMBLE

The rapid advancement of Artificial Intelligence presents an unprecedented opportunity for governments to transform public service delivery, enhance administrative efficiency, and accelerate socio-economic development. In this context, the Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 has been formulated to provide strategic direction for the responsible adoption of AI, aligned with the long-term vision of Viksit Rajasthan 2047. The policy establishes a unified framework for departments, industry partners, and ecosystem stakeholders to harness AI in a structured, ethical, and sustainable manner.

With the Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026, the State aspires to position itself as a competitive and innovation-driven hub for emerging technologies by attracting domestic and global partnerships. By offering a stable environment, enabling infrastructure, and targeted incentives for AI-led enterprises, the policy aims to catalyze growth in research, innovation, and high-value employment. This investment-friendly ecosystem is designed to nurture startups, strengthen industry–academia collaboration, and build a robust value chain for AI-driven development.

The State is equally committed to ensuring that the use of AI in government remains safe, transparent, and accountable. The policy lays down principles for responsible AI, data governance, privacy protection, and algorithmic fairness to build public trust while safeguarding citizens' rights. It also emphasizes capacity building in AI for various stakeholders through structured skilling programmes and partnerships aligned with national frameworks such as the IndiaAI Mission, enabling a future-ready public administration capable of leveraging AI across critical sectors.

Through this policy, the State reaffirms its vision to drive digital transformation at scale, enhance citizen service delivery, and foster an inclusive, innovation-led economy. By combining technological advancement with ethical safeguards and a conducive investment climate, the policy lays the foundation for positioning Rajasthan as a leader in AI readiness, adoption, and innovation.

2. RAJASTHAN'S DIGITAL ECOSYSTEM AND AI READINESS

Rajasthan has established a strong digital governance ecosystem through systematic investments in digital infrastructure, citizen service delivery, and public platforms. These foundational capabilities position the State to integrate Artificial Intelligence (AI) into core governance systems and accelerate data-driven public service delivery. The Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 builds on these institutional strengths to enable responsible, secure, and scalable adoption of AI across sectors.

2.1 Rajasthan's Existing Ecosystem

- **Robust Digital Infrastructure**

  Over the years, the State has invested significantly in secure, scalable, and citizen-centric digital infrastructure. Rajasthan operates one of India's largest government-owned data centres—a state-of-the-art Tier-4 facility comprising 600 racks in Jaipur to host mission-critical applications. High-speed connectivity has been made enabled through BharatNet fibre to the home (FTTH) initiative with more than 28,500 connections across 5,700+ Gram Panchayats.

  The State's flagship eMitra network—with over 80,000 kiosks delivering 600+ services—has deepened digital penetration, strengthened public trust, and enabled equitable access to government services. The service delivery network is further strengthened for the citizens through eMitra+, a physical self-service kiosk for availing govt services at their vicinity.

  These assets create a strong foundation for the adoption of advanced AI solutions at scale.

- **State Digital Public Platforms**

  The State has developed and operationalized several foundational digital platforms including Jan Aadhaar, eMitra, Rajdharaa, IFMS, and other platforms—provides secure identity, digital payments, geospatial intelligence, and integrated financial management. Building on these assets, the policy embraces the principles of Responsible AI, including safety, accountability, transparency, explainability, privacy protection, fairness with bias mitigation, and human oversight. These characteristics ensure that AI deployment remains ethical, inclusive, trustworthy, and aligned with public interest.

- **Academic and Skilling Ecosystem**

  Rajasthan's AI readiness is reinforced by strong academic and skilling institutions. The

State is home to 80+ universities, along with premier national institutions such as IIT Jodhpur, IIM Udaipur, IIIT Kota, National Law University Jodhpur, AIIMS Jodhpur, FDDI Jodhpur, MNIT Jaipur, SMS medical college, and BITS Pilani. The Rajasthan Centre for Advanced Technology (RCAT) serves as a crucial hub for advanced skilling and entrepreneurship, bringing leading technology partners together on a single platform to deliver practical, industry-aligned training. This ecosystem positions Rajasthan to supply skilled talent for AI adoption across government, industry, and startups.

2.2 Rajasthan's AI Readiness

- **Rajasthan's AI Strategy**

  Artificial Intelligence (AI), defined by NITI Aayog as the ability of machines to think, perceive, learn, and make decisions[1], is emerging as a foundational technology reshaping economies and governance worldwide.

  Building upon one of the largest digital infrastructures, robust public platforms, and collaborative talent ecosystem outlined in above Section A, Rajasthan is well-positioned to scale AI adoption across departments and sectors. These foundational strengths demonstrate the State's readiness for responsible, inclusive, and transformative AI integration.

  Rajasthan aims to leverage AI as a catalyst for inclusive growth, sustainable development, and innovation, in alignment with the long-term aspirations of Viksit Rajasthan 2047[2]. The State enters this phase with strong digital infrastructure, mature governance systems, and a commitment to building an AI-ready economy.

- **Advancing towards the Vision of Viksit Rajasthan 2047**

  The policy reaffirms Rajasthan's commitment to modernizing public service delivery, enhancing transparency, catalyzing innovation, creating new employment opportunities, and ensuring equitable access to the benefits of AI. The State envisions AI as a transformative force that will accelerate progress across both urban and rural communities and contribute to the long-term goals of Viksit Rajasthan 2047.

  To ensure alignment with the State's long-term development roadmap, the policy references the indicative outcomes in which Artificial Intelligence has been identified as a strategic enabler. Some of the key outcomes, presented in Annexure B, provide a consolidated view of the expected progression within the broader vision of Viksit Rajasthan 2047.

[1] National Strategy for Artificial Intelligence #AIforall by Niti Aayog 2018
https://www.niti.gov.in/sites/default/files/2023-03/National-Strategy-for-Artificial-Intelligence.pdf
[2] Vision Document of Viksit Rajasthan @ 2047
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SUMMARY

Rajasthan aims to leverage Artificial Intelligence to drive inclusive growth and advance the vision of Viksit Rajasthan 2047. With a strong digital foundation, including a Tier-4 Government Data Centre, extensive BharatNet connectivity, and the widespread e-Mitra network, the State is well-positioned for large-scale AI adoption. Its robust talent ecosystem—comprising 80+ universities, premier national institutions, and RCAT—supports advanced skilling and innovation. Rajasthan's digital public infrastructure enables secure, ethical, and responsible AI deployment. The AI/ML Policy 2026 is strengthening institutional capacity and promoting a future-ready digital ecosystem.

3. AI PRINCIPLES

3.1 In alignment with the values of Viksit Rajasthan 2047 Vision including sustainability, inclusion, transparency, and accountability, the State is committed to upholding core ethical principles in the Government's AI procurement, development, deployment, supply, and/or use of AI technologies.

3.2 AI principles encompass the following[3]:

I. **System Trustworthiness:** Every AI system that is procured, built, or used by the State shall strive to achieve appropriate levels of all trustworthy characteristics, in alignment with the guidelines of the Government of India and the Government of Rajasthan. The achievement of these characteristics will depend on the specified use case and may require trade-offs, which will be justified and documented, in the public interest.

a) Validity and Reliability: All AI systems shall strive to consistently provide accurate outputs or operate within a defined range of acceptability when subject to expected conditions of use.

b) Safety: No AI system shall endanger human life, health, property, or the environment.

c) Security and Resiliency: All AI systems shall withstand unexpected adverse events or operational/environmental changes while maintaining confidentiality, integrity, and availability in the event of adversarial or unauthorized actions.

d) Accountability and Transparency: Meaningful and timely information about every AI system shall be provided to all relevant stakeholders, tailored to their knowledge and accessibility needs. An accountability structure shall govern decisions related to an AI system.

e) Explainability and Interpretability: All AI systems shall be designed and documented to explain how and why a decision was made by the system, to the extent that is technically feasible.

f) Privacy-Enhanced: All AI systems shall safeguard human autonomy, identity, and dignity with respect to privacy to the maximum extent feasible.

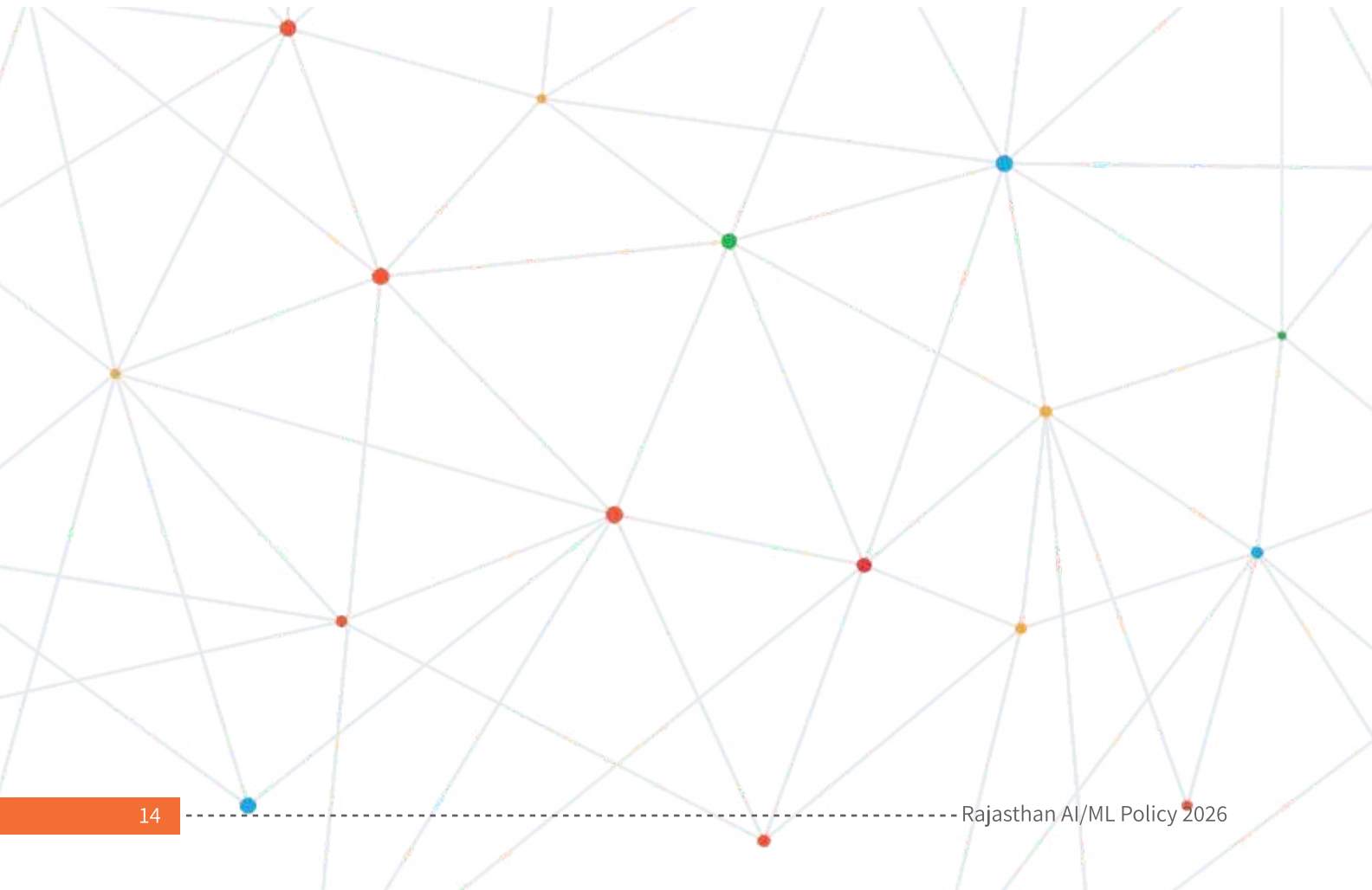
g) Fairness with Harmful Bias Managed: All AI systems shall meet a defined metric of fairness appropriate to their context and shall manage all forms of harmful bias, including system bias, computational and statistical biases, and human-cognitive bias.

[3]Prevalent AI industry standards

II. **Human Oversight and Accountability:** Ensuring that all processes, datasets and systems related to AI are subject to proper oversight mechanisms to enable responsible development and use of AI. The State also embraces all sources of external accountability, including independent audits and certifications, monitoring by government organizations, and meaningful transparency with relevant public stakeholders.

III. **Beneficence, Equity, and Ethics:** Aligning the State's AI strategy with the broader public interest to preserve and promote societal well-being. This includes commitments to ethical frameworks related to sustainability, equity, and human rights.

IV. **Continual Learning:** As the technological and regulatory environment of AI rapidly develops, the State is committed to a culture of open mindedness, flexibility, and dialogue. The State shall engage with partners, peers, stakeholders, and the public to invest in shared knowledge and a common vision for responsible AI.



SUMMARY

The State's AI Principles align with the Viksit Rajasthan 2047 Vision, emphasizing sustainability, inclusion, transparency, and accountability across the full AI lifecycle in Government procurement, development, deployment, supply, and use.

Every AI system used by the State must strive for trustworthiness in line with national and State guidelines, with any trade-offs justified and documented. Trustworthy characteristics include validity and reliability, safety, security and resiliency, accountability and transparency, explainability and interpretability, privacy protection, and fairness with proactive management.

The principles mandate strong human oversight, independent audits, and public transparency, while promoting beneficence, equity, ethics, and continual learning to support responsible AI adoption.

4. VISION

To promote responsible, inclusive, and innovation-driven development by leveraging AI for enhancing governance outcomes, strengthen public service delivery, foster economic growth, and ensure equitable and inclusive access for all citizens. The vision aligns with the State's broader objective of promoting ethical AI adoption, building institutional capacity, and enabling sectoral transformation through frontier technologies.

5. OBJECTIVES

The key objectives of the policy are:

5.1 AI Adoption in Governance

Enable AI-led public service delivery and sectoral transformation by integrating AI into governance processes across domains such as agriculture, healthcare, education, and tourism to enhance efficiency, accessibility, and citizen-centric outcomes.

5.2 Empowering Talent

Develop a future-ready workforce by investing in AI skilling, curriculum integration, research promotion, and fostering collaboration between academia, industry, and startups to drive innovation and capability building.

5.3 Incentivizing AI initiatives in Industries

Strengthen the AI adoption in industry ecosystem by promoting innovation, research-driven enterprises, and supportive market conditions to accelerate AI-based economic growth and enterprise development.

5.4 Responsible Framework

Ensure safe and ethical AI deployment through robust governance mechanisms, fairness and transparency principles, data protection, risk mitigation, and equitable access to AI benefits for all sections of society.

6. SCOPE OF THE POLICY

6.1 Operative Period

The operative period of the Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 shall be five years from the date of issuance of the order, or until a new policy is issued by the State Government, whichever is earlier.

6.2 Eligibility of Activities

Only AI-related activities, projects, deployments, solutions, innovations, and investments undertaken or initiated after the date of notification of the policy shall be eligible for the incentives, support, and other provisions defined under this policy.

6.3 Geographical Applicability

Only AI related operational activities undertaken within Rajasthan shall be considered eligible under this policy. This includes AI development activities, model training, R&D units, data centres, compute infrastructure, service-delivery operations, and AI-enabled employment generated within the State.

6.4 Eligible Entities

The provisions of the policy shall be applicable to:

- Manufacturing Industries
- Services Industries
- MSMEs and Startups
- R&D Units
- Data Centre and Compute Infrastructure Providers
- Academic and Training Institutions
- Government Departments, Agencies, Authorities, and PSUs
- Any other entity notified by the State Government

The eligibility shall be as per the provisions defined in the State's policies, such as RIPS 2024, the Rajasthan MSME Policy 2024, the Rajasthan Startup Policy 2022, the Data Centre Policy 2025, and other notified frameworks. All such eligibility conditions shall also be subject to amendments, revisions, or clarifications issued by the Government of Rajasthan from time to time. Entities fulfilling the applicable criteria under their base (parent) policies shall be considered eligible under the Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 for top-up or incentives (fiscal or non-fiscal).

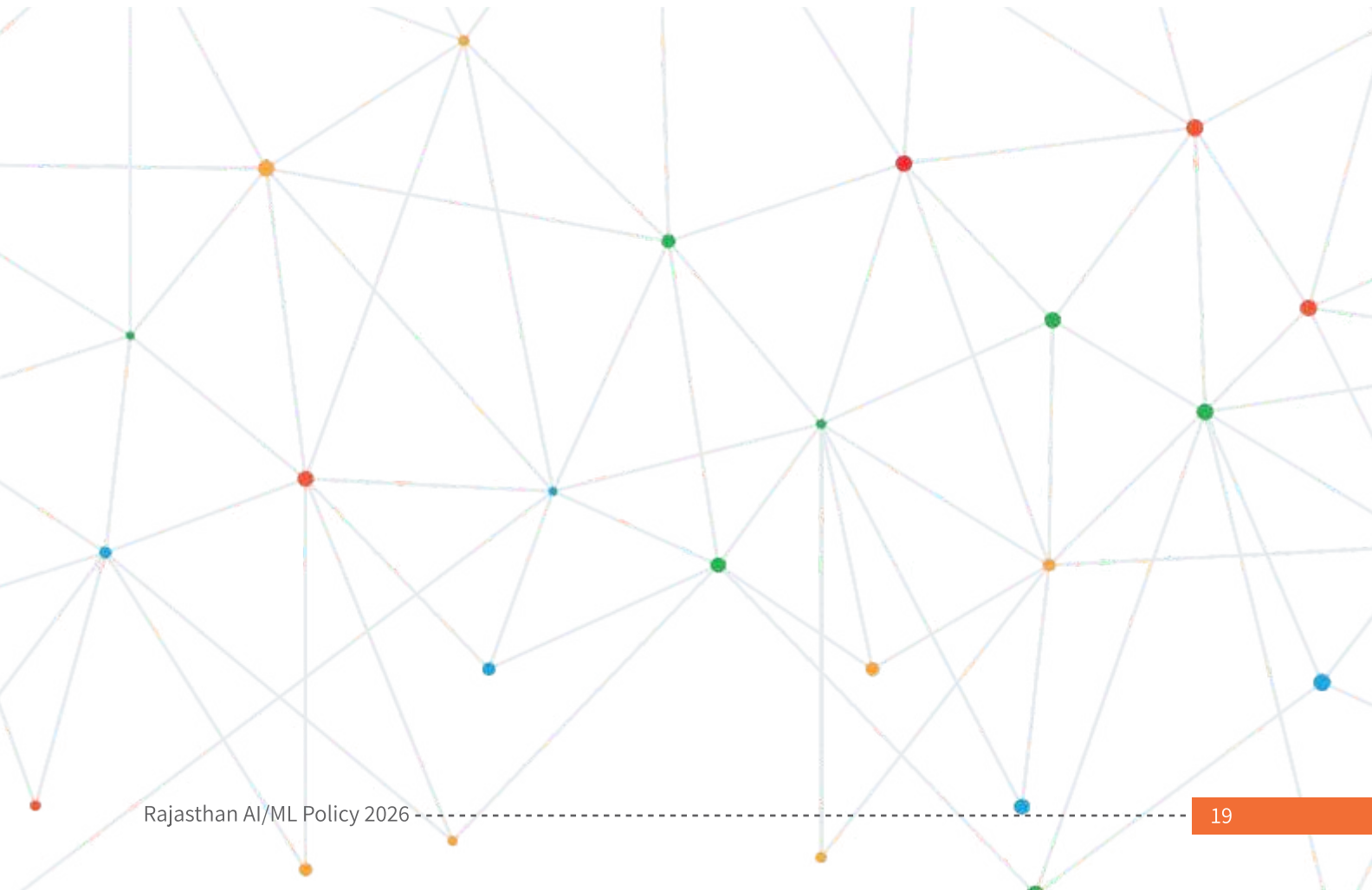
6.5 Timeline for Commencement of Operations

Unless specified otherwise, an eligible entity must commence AI development, commercial operations, R&D activity, AI service delivery, or production during the operative period of the policy, or within two years from the date of approval/ registration/sanction of incentives under the Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026, whichever is later.

6.6 Ineligible Activities

The policy shall not be applicable to:

- Activities explicitly prohibited under prevailing laws; and
- Entities and sectors notified as ineligible by the State Government (aligned with exclusion criteria under RIPS 2024 and emerging AI risk classifications).
- Activities that fail to comply with mandated ethical AI safeguards or responsible AI norms.



SUMMARY

The policy envisions responsible, inclusive, and innovation-led use of AI to strengthen governance, enhance public service delivery, accelerate economic growth, and ensure equitable access for all citizens.

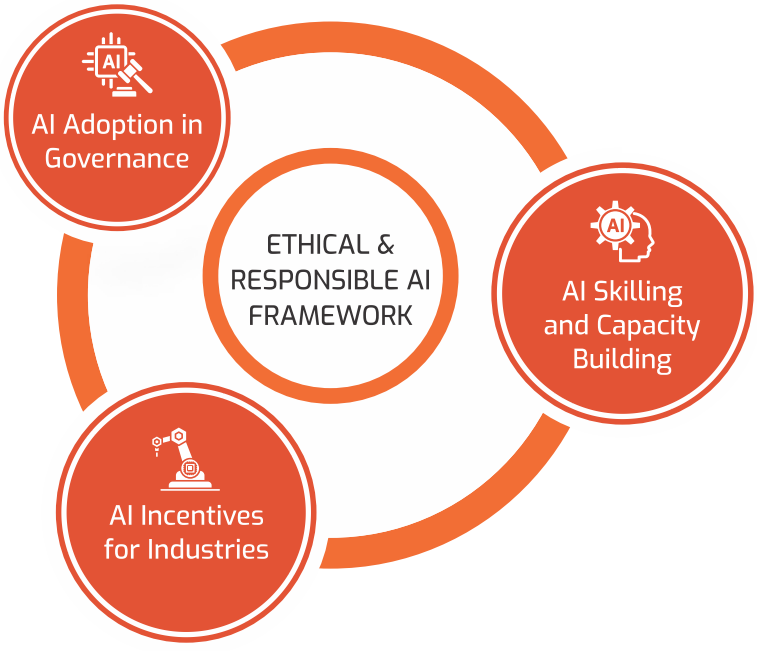
It aims to promote ethical AI adoption, build institutional capacity, and drive sectoral transformation in line with the State's long-term development vision.

Key objectives include embedding transparent, accountable, privacy-centric, and fair AI across Government; improving efficiency and accessibility of citizen services; catalyzing innovation through research and academia–industry collaboration; and building a future-ready workforce through targeted skilling.

The policy applies to all State departments, PSUs, autonomous bodies, academic institutions, industries, and Startups/MSMEs in Rajasthan, and remains in force for five years or until superseded.

7. KEY PILLARS OF THE POLICY

To accelerate AI-led transformation, the State has outlined three strategic pillars that will serve as foundation for a vibrant AI ecosystem in Rajasthan. These pillars focus on driving AI adoption in governance, empowering talent and incentivizing AI industries.



7.1 AI Adoption in Governance

The State recognizes the transformative potential of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in governance to make public services more efficient, personalized, proactive and citizen-centric. This pillar focuses on enabling responsible deployment of AI across departments by ensuring ethical use, strong digital infrastructure, and risk-aware implementation mechanisms.

AI adoption in government shall follow a phased approach, beginning with pilot use-cases, followed by evaluation based on measurable outcomes, and subsequent scale-up across departments ensuring impact, trust, and accountability.

I. Strategic Approach to AI Adoption

To ensure responsible and outcome-driven implementation, the State shall undertake the following measures:

- **Departmental Enablement**

  Each department will identify AI use cases suited to its service mandates. An AI Nodal Officer shall be nominated in every department to drive adoption,

coordinate implementation, and oversee dataset readiness.

- **Responsible AI Design and Use**

  All government AI systems will adhere to principles of fairness, transparency, accountability, privacy, and explainability. Safeguards including bias detection, human oversight, and citizen recourse mechanisms shall be mandated.

- **Auditability and Monitoring**

  AI models deployed in governance will be auditable and explainable. Periodic performance reviews, bias assessments, and risk detection audits will ensure reliability and public confidence.

- **Long-Term Integration and Scale**

  Implemented AI solutions shall be scalable, interoperable, and cost-efficient, enabling seamless integration with State digital platforms.

- **Risk and Security Management**

  A Risk Mitigation Framework will be adopted to identify and address ethical risks, security threats, algorithmic bias, and privacy concerns, ensuring safe and accountable AI usage.

- **AI Procurement Compliance**

  Procurement shall follow CERT-In's Artificial Intelligence Bill of Material[4] (AIBOM) guidelines covering hardware, datasets, software frameworks, and model components, ensuring transparency in system development.

- **AI-by-Default in New Systems**

  All upcoming digital platforms and applications deployed by the State shall be encouraged to be AI-ready by design, allowing future integration without significant redesign cost.

Context-sensitive and risk informed: The policy acknowledges that the deployment of AI, including frontier technologies such as GenAI, must be context-sensitive and risk-informed. In high-risk functional domains involving decision making, financial transactions, or public-facing services, only highly reliable, well tested, and auditable models shall be considered. In contrast, non-critical or creative use cases may allow more flexible and exploratory approach to use AI models, provided the solution adheres to baseline safeguards and ethical standards.

Grievance and Oversight Mechanism: The State will leverage the existing grievance redressal platform- Rajasthan Sampark and reporting dashboards for monitoring AI

[4]Artificial Intelligence Bill of Materials (AIBOM)
https://cert-in.org.in/PDF/TechnicalGuidelines-on-SBOM,QBOM&CBOM,AIBOM_and_HBOM_ver2.0.pdf

deployments in governance. This will include escalation procedures in case of harmful, unintended or discriminatory outcomes arising from AI deployments.

II. IT Infrastructure for AI-enabled Governance

To enable successful adoption and implementation of AI solutions, the State will invest in and facilitate access to advanced AI infrastructure across physical and digital platforms. This enabler supports AI adoption by providing fundamental tools, systems, and capabilities required for innovation, scalability, and governance.

The State shall endeavor to facilitate access to necessary compute infrastructure, datasets, and secure platforms to support the development, testing, and deployment of AI solutions. Key Initiatives include:

- **High-Performance Computing (HPC) and AI Cloud Infrastructure:** The State shall endeavor to establish a statewide AI compute backbone, on-premises infrastructure within the Rajasthan State Data Centre (RSDC) to provide high-performance GPUs, and AI-optimized resources for:
  - AI enabled e-governance applications.
  - AI research and modelling.
  - Smart City solutions.

  These services will support AI model training and experimentation for startups/MSMEs, researchers, and departments.
- **AI cloud services within the RSDC:**
  - Offer AI-as-a-Service to startups/MSMEs, academic institutions, and departments for Proof of Concepts (PoCs), pilots, and training datasets.
  - Ensure availability of secure cloud environments for government AI use cases.
- **Cybersecurity compliant Infrastructure:**

  All AI infrastructure deployed under the policy will include built-in cybersecurity safeguards and adhere to data protection norms in alignment with prevailing national and industry standards. The Security Operations Centre (SOC) and the State Computer Security Incident Response Team (CSIRT), or any equivalent body, will strengthen the cybersecurity compliance.

  This ensures data integrity, access control and protection against misuse of AI systems.
- **Storage Infrastructure:**

  Implement high-capacity and scalable storage systems to efficiently store, manage, and process both structured and unstructured data, ensuring high

availability, performance and seamless integration with AI workloads.

- **AI sandbox and Testing Environments:**

  Controlled environments will be set up to enable departments and startups/MSMEs to test AI solutions in a safe and monitored environment before full-scale deployment. These sandboxes will encourage innovation while maintaining safeguards.

- **State Managed Datasets:**

  The State will curate anonymized, high-quality datasets across sectors (health, agriculture, education, etc.) in sectoral data lakes/marts with robust access protocols and privacy standards to support model development. RajDEx (Rajasthan Data Exchange) will be the exclusive platform for socially monetized, free or subsidized access to these datasets by government and private entities under defined legal and ethical conditions, promoting innovation while ensuring privacy and security.

- **Leveraging State Platforms for Public Adoption:**

  The State will explore the integration of AI within existing and upcoming digital platforms, such as citizen service systems, grievance redressal platform, and real-time monitoring dashboards. This approach will accelerate implementation, reduce costs, and enhance citizen reach. By embedding AI into these platforms, services will become more proactive, personalized, and efficient, encouraging wider public adoption and trust in AI-driven governance.

The State will explore partnerships with national HPC initiatives or global cloud-based AI research programmes to enable access to AI supercomputing grids for large-scale model training, academic research, and advanced innovation challenges.

7.2 AI Skilling and Capacity Building

To make Rajasthan ready for an AI-driven future, the Government shall endeavor to support efforts to build AI-related skills, promote research, and strengthen collaboration with institutions, startups, and industry.

This pillar focuses on helping students, professionals, and Government officials build AI related knowledge and skills through various learning programmes, while also supporting innovation and research to solve local problems.

Key Focus Areas:

I. **Integration of AI in Schools:** The State will introduce AI courses in more than 3,000

Government schools offering Science stream, where more than 1 lakh students are enrolled every year.

- AI will be a critical component in the large-scale teacher training, with programs designed to equip at least 10% of the teachers from the Government schools offering Science stream, to effectively deliver the new curriculum in classrooms.
- AI hands-on courses will be delivered through more than 15,000 established ICT labs across Government schools.

Complementing this, AI will get embedded into existing Government digital learning platforms to provide personalized learning experiences, enhancing engagement, learning, and equitable access to high-quality instruction.

II. **Integration of AI in ITIs/ Polytechnics:** Scaling employment enabling-AI Skills for at least 25,000 trainees enrolled in the Government ITIs/Polytechnics. The State has more than 1,800 ITIs.

III. **Specialised AI Courses:** The policy will leverage AI courses, as well as opportunities for summer trainings/internships[5] and Faculty Development Programs (FDPs) offered by Government of India, in Rajasthan.

IV. **AI foundational courses for Tier 2/3 cities:** MeitY's IndiaAIFutureSkills[6] initiative will be leveraged in Rajasthan to build the State's AI talent pipeline by expanding the Data and AI Labs in Rajasthan's Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities. These labs will deliver foundational courses—such as data annotation and data curation—to democratize access to AI education, upskill large numbers of students across the State, and boost Rajasthan's AI talent pool.

V. **AI skills for employability:** The State will partner with MeitY under FutureSkills Prime[7] initiative to enroll at least 50,000 youth from the State. The cutting-edge technological courses, pathways and industry-backed Nasscom certification programs are aligned with National Occupational Standards (NOS) and National Skills Qualification Framework (NSQF), enabling learners to acquire in-demand skills that are highly valued by employers.

VI. **Training and Certification through RCAT:** Promoting comprehensive training programs for AI Ambassadors, startups, train-the-trainer initiatives at divisional and district levels, faculty development, and student capacity building, aligned with the State's Skill Policy 2025 and Rajasthan Startup Policy 2022.

VII. **Empowering youths in AI innovation and capacity building through 'Srijan' and 'YuvAI' initiative[8]:** IndiaAI Mission and IIT Jodhpur has collaborated for YuVAI

[5]https://www.skillindiadigital.gov.in/internship | [6]https://indiaai.gov.in/hub/indiaai-futureskills
[7]https://indiaai.gov.in/author/FutureSkills%20Prime | [8]**PIB Press Release:** https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=2068251&reg=3&lang=2

initiative, which will scale AI talent by training over 100,000 youth and developers in foundational LLM skills over three years. The Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 will leverage the programme to skill at least 10,000 youths in the State. It is an effort to enhance Rajasthan's technical workforce and repository of AI open-source solutions in the sectors like healthcare, agriculture, governance and infrastructure.

VIII. **Access to AI Talent Connect Portal:** The AI Talent Connect Portal, featuring AI job listings, project opportunities, and a dedicated talent pool, through an online job portal under the State's Skill Policy 2025 and IndiaAI Talent Connect portal. This platform will enable eligible entities to access skilled professionals while providing Startups, students, and industry players with a hub to connect, collaborate, and explore growth opportunities.

IX. **Bootcamp and Workshop Support:** Organizing AI bootcamps, hackathons, and faculty development workshops in Tier 2/3 cities, women's colleges, ITI colleges, vocational colleges, and similar institutions to promote widespread AI skill development.

X. **AI Innovation Challenge Grant:** The State will organize periodic AI Innovation Challenges to promote the development of impactful and responsible AI solutions addressing key priorities of the State. The Challenge will invite AI startups, researchers, and institutions registered in Rajasthan to propose innovative solutions aligned with sectors such as agriculture, healthcare, education, tourism, environment, manufacturing and governance. Grants will be awarded on a milestone basis, distributed among top projects. Winners will receive mentorship and opportunities for pilot deployment within Government or allied entities. Intellectual property rights will remain with the participants, while the Government retains the option to use the innovations for public benefit.

XI. **Capacity building for Government officials:** The State will adopt IndiaAI's Competency Framework to map the AI lifecycle to Government roles and build behavioral, functional, and domain-specific AI skills for ethical and responsible use, aiming to skill/upskill at least 20,000 Government officials.

XII. **Support for Research and Innovation:** Universities, startups, and research institutions will be encouraged to pursue AI research and innovation focused on Rajasthan's needs—such as agriculture, health, education, tourism, etc. Support may be extended through the CoE-AI and other institutional mechanisms, subject to policy guidelines.

XIII. Outreach Programs:

- **AI Ambassadors Program:** AI youth ambassadors shall be identified in each district to promote awareness, engagement, and participation in AI-related initiatives at the grassroots level.
- **AI Summit/Conferences/Events:** Government will sponsor/host AI summit/ conferences/events inviting global experts, investors, and policymakers to foster collaboration, recognize best practices, attract investment, and showcase cutting-edge AI innovations developed within the State.
- **Citizen Engagement with AI Awareness Campaigns:** Statewide campaigns in local languages using multimedia, community platforms, and social and digital media. The outreach will be designed around - what AI is (assistive/predictive/ generative) with everyday examples, its benefits in public services, key risks and safe use practices (privacy, consent, bias, misinformation, deepfakes, scam avoidance), citizens' rights and responsibilities, how government uses AI and its limits, impact on jobs and skills.

AI Innovation Through Hub and Spoke Model:

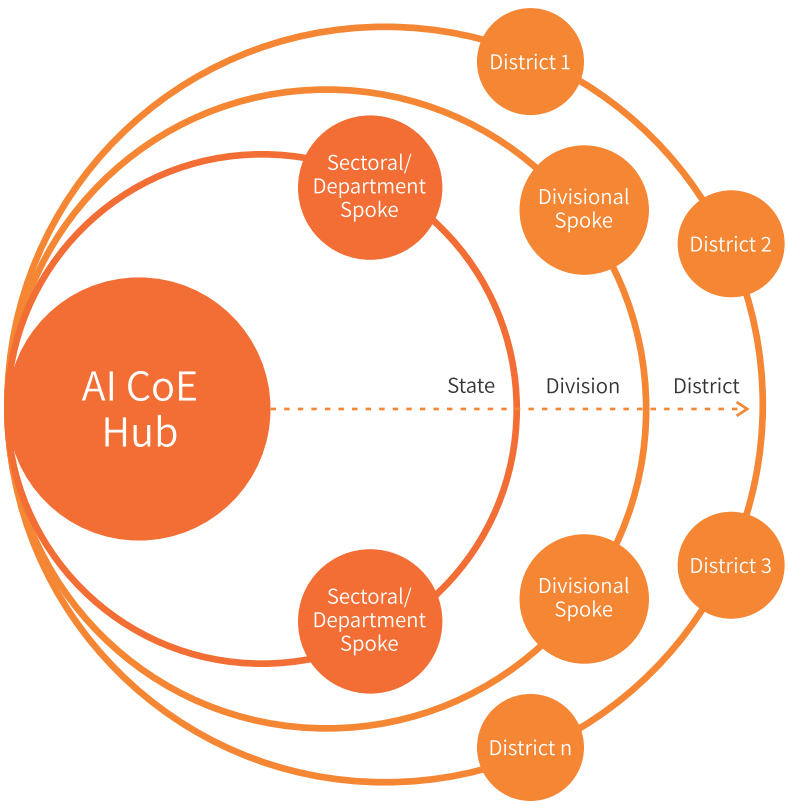


Figure: Depicting State's AI ecosystem in hub-and-spoke model

The policy shall adopt a hub-and-spoke model, leveraging iStart accelerators and innovation Launchpads across the State, as illustrated in the above figure. The hub-and-spoke model functions as an integrated framework, wherein the hub enables coordination, facilitates knowledge exchange, and strengthens capacity, while spokes across sectors/ departments, districts, and divisions operate as decentralized nodes to advance AI initiatives within their respective domains. This framework shall promote the use of shared knowledge repositories, foster cross-learning, and ensure a harmonized yet adaptable approach to the adoption of AI across the ecosystem.

7.3 AI Incentives for Industries

The State Government is committed to accelerating the growth of the AI ecosystem by providing support to eligible entities and research-driven enterprises through a combination of grants and incentives. This approach aims to foster a vibrant, inclusive, and future-ready AI ecosystem.

The support mechanism is designed to address the diverse capital needs across the AI development lifecycle, from early-stage ideation and product development to scaling and deployment. Particular focus will be placed on encouraging innovations that align with the State's development priorities, including AI applications in governance, agriculture, health, education, environment, and social inclusion.

A unified portal will be developed to serve as a single access point for incentives, subsidies, and grant applications related to AI-industries in the State. It will support automation, real-time status visibility, and streamlined document processing.

Incentives and support programs will be managed under robust governance and oversight mechanisms to ensure transparency, accountability, and alignment with the broader objectives of the policy. The State will periodically issue detailed operational guidelines, eligibility criteria, and disbursal procedures to facilitate effective implementation.

7.3.1 Manufacturing/Service Sunrise Industries

I. Asset Creation

As defined in RIPS 2024 clause 9.1.3(46), AI is categorized under Industry 4.0, and it will be incentivized as per the RIPS 2024 Clause 3.3 (Sunrise).

II. Capacity Building and Skilling

Enterprises shall be eligible, over and above RIPS 2024 Clause 4.3.1 (Add-On Skilling & Training Incentives) benefits, for a one-time reimbursement equal to 20% of the total eligible cost of employee AI training, maximum up to INR 800

per worker per month for up to six months.

OR

Enterprises shall be eligible, over and above RIPS 2024 Clause 4.3.1 (Add-On Skilling & Training Incentives) benefits, for reimbursement equal to 10% of the total eligible cost of employee AI training, maximum up to INR 10,000 per employee per annum, for a maximum of 20 employees per enterprise, as a one-time incentive.

III. IP Creation Incentives

In addition to the benefits under RIPS 2024 Clause 4.3.2 (Add-On IP Creation Incentives), the Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 provides an additional reimbursement of 10% of eligible costs for patent, copyright, trademark, and geographical indication registrations in the AI domain. The reimbursement is capped at INR 10 lakh.

IV. Green Incentives

Over and above RIPS 2024 Clause 4.1.3 (Add-On Green Initiatives) benefits, this policy provides an additional reimbursement of 2.5% of the eligible cost for energy-efficient, AI solutions and tools implemented under defined environmental projects (as defined in RIPS 2024), capped at INR 30 lakh.

V. Data Centre Incentives

Beyond the interest subvention available under the Rajasthan Data Centre Policy 2025 Clause 5.1.2.b (Sunrise Incentives), this policy provides an additional 1% interest subvention on eligible term loans taken from financial institutions or state financial institutions, or banks recognized by the Reserve Bank of India. This additional benefit shall be calculated only on the interest subvention amount sanctioned under the Rajasthan Data Centre Policy 2025.

Eligible data centres that meet the prescribed AI-compute infrastructure criteria may avail this additional subvention for a maximum of five years, subject to an annual ceiling of 0.5% of EFCI defined under the Data Centre Policy 2025, on term loans taken for plant, machinery, and data centre infrastructure.

CATEGORY	REQUIREMENT	MEASUREMENT CRITERIA
AI Hardware	AI-optimized compute	≥ 30% of installed servers contain GPUs/TPUs/NPUs or equivalent

Illustration 1: Capacity Building and Skilling – RIPS 2024 (Clause 4.3.1)

Option 1: Monthly Training Incentive Calculation

COMPONENT	FORMULA	PER EMPLOYEE	TOTAL (30 EMPLOYEES)
Monthly Training Cost	Given	INR 8,000	INR 8,000 × 30 = INR 2,40,000
RIPS 2024 Reimbursement (50%)	INR 8,000 × 50%	INR 4,000/month	INR 4,000 × 30 = INR 1,20,000/month
RIPS 2024 training for 6 Months	INR 4,000 × 6	INR 24,000	INR 24,000 × 30 = INR 7,20,000
AI Top-Up (20%)	INR 4,000 × 20%	INR 800/month	INR 800 × 30 = INR 24,000/month
AI Top-Up for 6 Months	INR 800 × 6	INR 4,800	INR 4,800 × 30 = INR 1,44,000
Total Incentive	RIPS + AI Top-Up	INR 24,000 + INR 4,800 = INR 28,800	INR 7,20,000 + INR 1,44,000 = INR 8,64,000

Option 2: Annual Training Incentive Calculation

COMPONENT	FORMULA	PER EMPLOYEE	TOTAL (20 EMPLOYEES)
Annual Training Cost	Given	INR 1,80,000	INR 1,80,000 × 20 = INR 36,00,000
RIPS 2024 Reimbursement (50%)	INR 1,80,000 × 50%	INR 90,000	INR 90,000 × 20 = INR 18,00,000
AI Top-Up (10%) Maximum cap INR 10,000 per employee	INR 90,000 × 10%	INR 9,000 (within limits)	INR 9,000 × 20 = INR 1,80,000 (within limits)
Total Incentive	RIPS + AI Top-Up	INR 90,000 + INR 9,000	INR 18,00,000 + INR 1,80,000= INR 19,80,000

Illustration 2: AI Data Centre under Sunrise Incentives– Data Centre Policy 2025 Clause 5.1.2 (Sunrise Incentives)

Scenario Overview

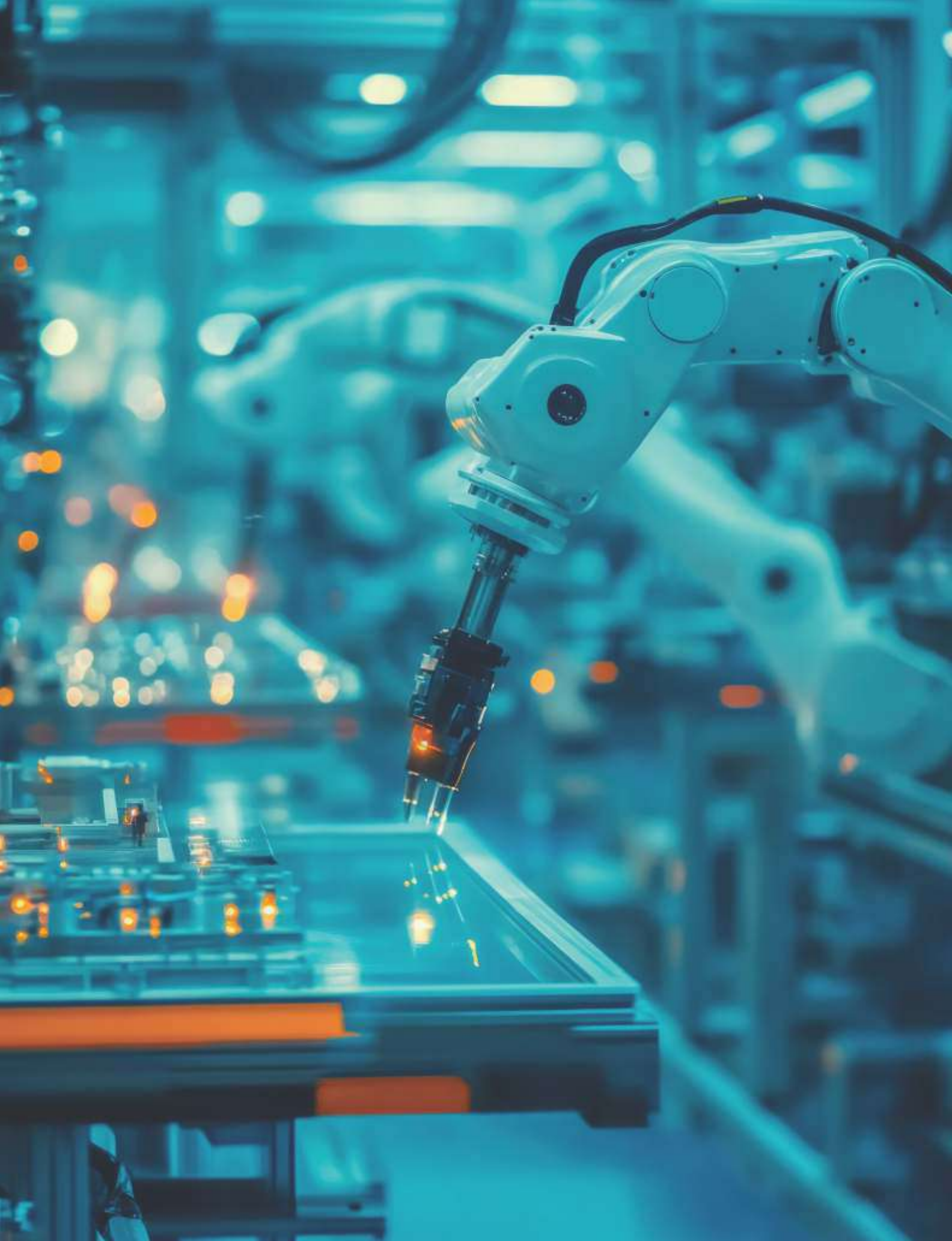
PARAMETER	DETAILS
Eligible Fixed Capital Investment (EFCI)	INR 120 crore
Term Loan Amount	INR 100 crore
Interest Rate	10% per annum
Interest Subvention Period	5 years
Applicable Policies	Rajasthan Data Centre Policy 2025 + Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 Top-Up

Step 1: Total Interest Calculation

COMPONENT	CALCULATION	AMOUNT
Annual Interest	INR 100 crore × 10%	INR 10 crore
Total Interest for 5 Years	INR 10 crore × 5	INR 50 crore

Step 2: Base Data Centre Policy Interest Subvention

COMPONENT	CALCULATION / RULE	AMOUNT
Base Subvention	5% of INR 100 crore × 5 years = INR 25 crore	INR 25 crore
Data Centre Policy Cap	Max 2.5% of EFCI (2.5% × 120 crore)	INR 3 crore
Data Centre Policy Benefit	Limited by cap	INR 3 crore
AI Top-Up Base subvention	1% of eligible interest INR 25 crore = INR 25 lakh	INR 25 lakh (within the max. limits)
AL/ML Policy Cap Applicability	Max 0.5% of EFCI = 0.5% × 120 crore	INR 60 lakh
Total Incentive	Data Centre Policy Interest Subvention + Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 Interest Subvention	INR 3 crore + INR 25 lakh = INR 3.25 crore



7.3.2 MSME

I. Assistance for New Enterprise Creation and Expansion

For new MSMEs or for expansion/diversification/modernization of existing MSMEs working in the field of AI, an additional interest subsidy shall be provided over and above the interest subsidy availed under the Rajasthan MSME Policy 2024 clause 6.2. This incentive shall be provided only as a top-up to the subsidy already sanctioned under the MSME Policy. The additional subvention shall be applicable as per the slab given below:

LOAN AMOUNT FOR PLANT AND MACHINERY/EQUIPMENT OR APPARATUS	ADDITIONAL INTEREST SUBVENTION OVER AND ABOVE MSME POLICY 2024
Upto INR 10 crore	0.5%
INR 10 crore - 50 crore	0.25%

Note: The Duration of the above-mentioned interest subsidy will be same as the duration of the interest subsidy defined under Rajasthan MSME Policy 2024.

II. Assistance to enhance access to capital

In addition to the provisions under Rajasthan MSME Policy 2024, Clause 6.3 (support for equity listing on NSE Emerge/BSE SME), this policy further extends support by reimbursing up to INR 5 lakh of the same eligible IPO and listing expenses. The benefit is claimable by AI-focused MSMEs upon successful listing or fundraising on the SME exchange.

III. Technology Acquisition Assistance for MSMEs

Beyond the benefits available under Rajasthan MSME Policy 2024, Clause 6.4, this Policy provides additional support by reimbursing up to 10% of the eligible acquisition cost, capped at INR 50,000 per unit, for Micro and Small Enterprises acquiring AI technologies or software from premier institutes (as defined in Rajasthan MSME Policy 2024).

IV. Assistance for Quality Enhancement

Assistance for quality certifications such as IEEE Ethical AI, the ISO/IEC 42000 series, and DPDP compliance—from a Government body or an agency authorized by the Government of India or the Government of Rajasthan, this policy provides an additional reimbursement over and above Rajasthan

MSME Policy 2024, Clause 6.6 equal to 10% of eligible costs, capped at INR 30,000, eligible costs include testing and documentation.

V. IP Creation Incentives

In continuation of the benefits under RIPS 2024 Clause 4.3.2 S.No. 3 (Add-On IP Creation Incentives), this Policy further extends support by providing a 5% incentive top-up on eligible IP acquisition expenses for patents, geographical indications, and trademarks in the AI domain, capped at INR 25,000.

VI. Green Incentives

Over and above RIPS 2024 Clause 4.1.3 S. No. 2 (Add-On Green Initiatives) benefits, this Policy provides an additional reimbursement of 2.5% of the eligible cost for energy-efficient AI solutions and tools implemented under defined environmental projects (as defined in RIPS 2024), capped at INR 2.5 lakh.

VII. MSMEs Skilling and Training Incentives

Additional reimbursement benefits over and above RIPS 2024 Clause 4.3.1 S. No. 2 (Add-On Skilling & Training Initiatives), to MSMEs on the total eligible cost of employee AI training for 6 months, as a one-time incentive up to:

MSME CATEGORY	ADDITIONAL 10% REIMBURSEMENT OVER RIPS 2024 (PER MONTH) AND MAXIMUM UP TO:
Micro	INR 2,000
Small	INR 3,000
Medium	INR 4,000

VIII. Assistance to MSMEs for Market Development

Additional Assistance is provided under the Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 for MSMEs participating in national and international fairs/exhibitions/buyer–seller meets etc. for display and sale of their AI products/services. This support is offered over and above Rajasthan MSME Policy 2024, clause 6.10.1 (Assistance for participation in Fairs/Exhibitions). The support provided is outlined as follows:

TYPE OF EVENT	RAJASTHAN AI/ML POLICY 2026 ADD-ON
Participation in National/International Fairs/Exhibitions in the country (other than Rajasthan)	Additional 10% on the eligible cost for stall rent, maximum up to INR 10,000, for max 2 events per financial year
Participation in Fairs/Exhibitions organized abroad	Additional 10% on the eligible cost for stall rent, maximum up to INR 15,000, for max 1 event per financial year

Note:

1. Additional benefits are subject to the eligibility, documentation, and disbursal provisions mentioned in the RIPS 2024 and Rajasthan MSME Policy 2024, and total assistance shall not exceed the actual cost incurred.
2. After availing benefit under any of the above categories in a financial year, the beneficiary will not be eligible to avail benefits in the same category for the next two financial years.

Illustration: Clause 3. Technology Acquisition Assistance for MSMEs - Rajasthan MSME Policy 2024, Clause 6.4

COMPONENT	CALCULATION / EXPLANATION	AMOUNT
Technology Cost	Purchase of AI-enabled Predictive Maintenance Software	INR 12,00,000
Rajasthan MSME Policy 2024, Eligibility	50% of acquisition cost Formula: INR 12,00,000 × 50% = INR 6,00,000 Cap under policy = INR 5,00,000	Eligible: INR 5,00,000
Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 Top-Up Eligibility	10% of eligible cost Formula: INR 5,00,000 ×10% = INR 50,000 (within limit) Cap under Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 = INR 50,000	Eligible: INR 50,000
Total Incentive	MSME Benefit + Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 Top-Up	INR 5,00,000 + INR 50,000 = INR 5,50,000

7.3.3 Startups

I. **Asset Creation Incentives:** The policy provides an additional one-time grant of 5% up to maximum of INR 1,50,000 for Sunrise Sectors, over and above the eligible seed support defined under RIPS 2024, clause 3.5.2.1 (Startups), for external capital raised.

II. **Capacity Building and Skilling:** Enterprises shall be eligible, over and above RIPS 2024 Clause 4.3.1 (Add-On Skilling & Training Incentives) benefits, for a one-time reimbursement equal to 20% of the total eligible cost of employee AI training, maximum up to INR 800 per worker per month for up to six months.

OR

Enterprises shall be eligible, over and above RIPS 2024 Clause 4.3.1 (Add-On Skilling & Training Incentives) benefits, for reimbursement equal to 10% of the total eligible cost of employee AI training, maximum up to INR 10,000 per employee per annum, for a maximum of 20 employees per enterprise, as a one-time incentive.

III. **IP Creation Incentives:** Over and above RIPS 2024 Clause 4.3.2 (Add-On IP Creation Incentives) benefits, the policy provides an additional 5% reimbursement on eligible AI-related IP acquisition costs, capped at INR 25,000. This top-up is subject to the same eligibility, documentation, and disbursal provisions, and the total assistance shall not exceed the actual cost incurred.

IV. **Networking Support:** In addition to the base reimbursement for National and International conference participation as per Rajasthan Startup Policy 2022 Clause 7.3 (Additional financial Incentives), AI Startups shall be eligible for top-up incentive equal to 10% of the eligible conference expenditure, subject to the capping of INR 50,000 per Startup.

V. **Seed-stage and Growth-stage AI Startups:** AI is categorized under Industry 4.0 in Annexure IV of Rajasthan Startup Policy 2022, and Clause 7.2.4 incentivizes such startups under Thrust Sectors.

VI. **AI cloud credits policy (linked with IndiaAI Mission):** The policy supports AI Startups in accessing high-performance GPU compute infrastructure provisioned under the IndiaAI Mission (www.compute.indiaai.gov.in). The State will extend financial assistance in the form of reimbursement for the net amount actually paid by startups to empaneled GPU providers after availing

the national subsidy on the IndiaAI platform. This ensures that only the post-subsidy GPU usage cost (net of IndiaAI credits) will be eligible for State reimbursement.

- Reimbursement of actual paid invoices raised by GPU providers on the IndiaAI Mission portal.
- Only the net expense incurred on the used GPU capacity by the startup (after IndiaAI subsidy) will be reimbursed.
- The State shall match the financial assistance provided by Government of India, subject to maximum cap of INR 5 lakh.

VII. **Public Procurement for Startups:** Procurement benefits for Startups will be aligned with the provisions of the State Startup Policy and Rajasthan Transparency Public Procurement Act, 2012.

Note:

1. Additional benefits are subject to the same eligibility, documentation, and disbursal provisions as mentioned in the RIPS 2024 and Rajasthan Startup Policy 2022, and total assistance shall not exceed the actual cost incurred.
2. After availing benefit under any of the above categories in a financial year, the beneficiary will not be eligible to avail benefits in the same category for the next two financial years.

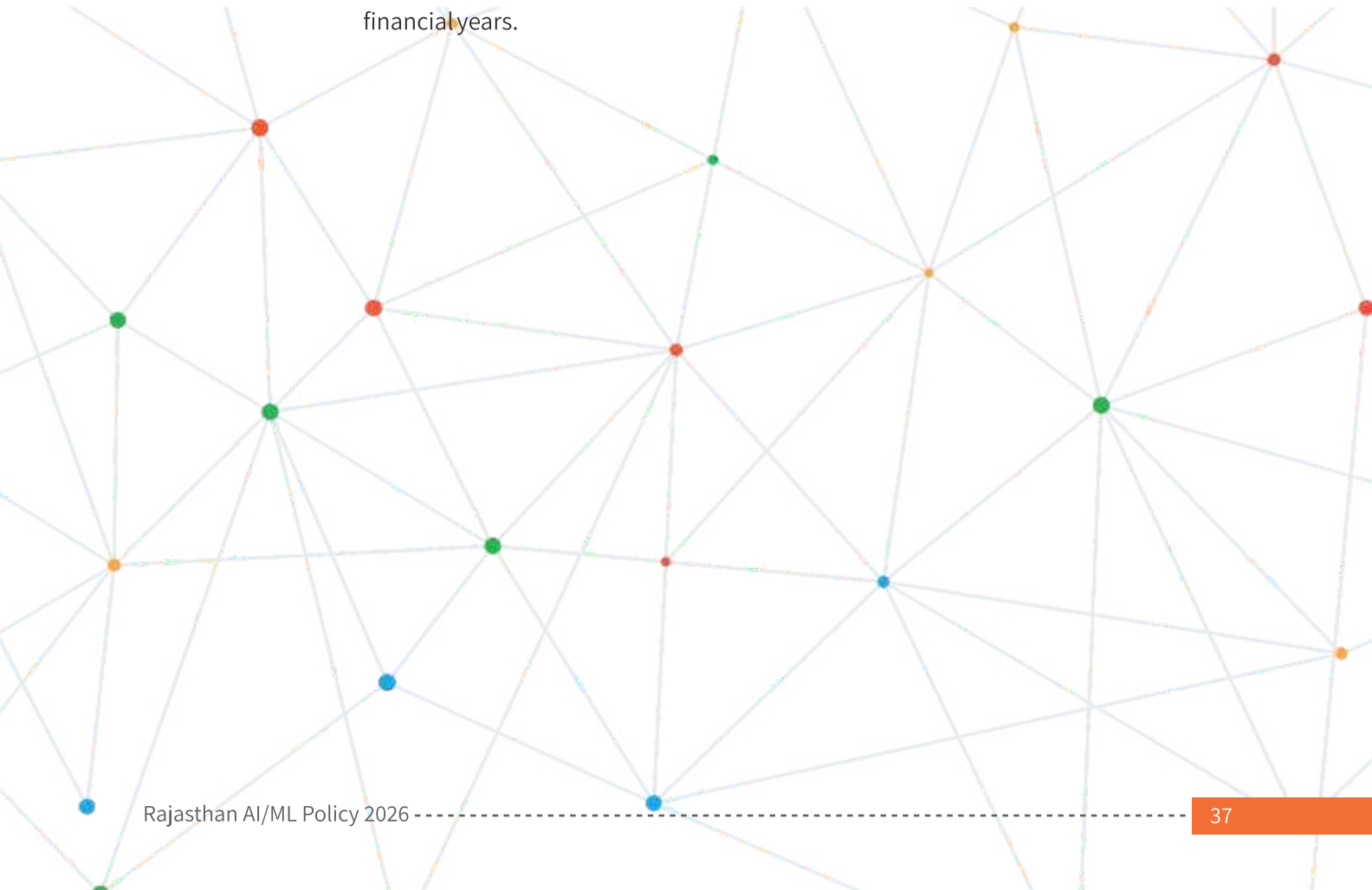


Illustration: Clause 4. Networking Support– Rajasthan Startup Policy 2022 Clause 7.2
Example – National AI Conference

COMPONENT	CALCULATION / EXPLANATION	AMOUNT
Conference Details	8 employees attending a National AI Conference. Expenditure per employee = INR 80,000 (INR 50,000 per employee is allowed)	Total = INR 50,000 x 8 = INR 4,00,000
Startup Policy Base Incentive	Expenditure for 8 employees = INR 4,00,000 (within limit) Cap = INR 5,00,000	INR 4,00,000
Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 Top-Up	10% of eligible expenditure = 10% of INR 4,00,000 = INR 40,000 Cap = INR 50,000	INR 40,000
Total Incentive	Startup Policy Benefit + AI Top-Up.	INR 4,00,000 + INR 40,000 = INR 4,40,000

7.3.4 R&D

I. Capacity Building and Skilling

In addition to the benefits under RIPS 2024 Clause 4.3.1 S.No. 4 (Add-On Skilling & Training Initiatives), this Policy provides an additional reimbursement of 10% of eligible AI R&D training costs (including course fees, workshops, and certifications). The reimbursement is capped at INR 1,000 per person per month and can be availed for a maximum of 12 months.

II. IP Creation Incentives

Over and above RIPS 2024 Clause 4.3.2 S. No. 5 (Add-On IP Creation Incentives) benefits, the Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 provides an additional 5% reimbursement on eligible AI-related IP acquisition costs, capped at INR 25 lakh. This top-up is subject to the same eligibility, documentation, and disbursal provisions as mentioned in RIPS 2024.

Note:

1. Additional benefits are subject to the same eligibility, documentation, and disbursal provisions as mentioned in the RIPS 2024, and total assistance shall not exceed the actual cost incurred.
2. After availing benefit under any of the above categories in a financial year, the beneficiary will not be eligible to avail benefits in the same category for the next two financial years.

Illustration: Clause 2. IP Creation incentives– RIPS 2024 Clause 4.3.2 S. No. 5
RIPS 2024 IPR Incentive Calculation

COMPONENT	CALCULATION	AMOUNT
Eligible IPR Expenditure	Given	INR 12 crore
RIPS 2024 Reimbursement (50%)	50% of 12 crore = 6 crore	INR 6 crore
RIPS 2024 Cap	Maximum allowed = INR 5 crore	INR 5 crore
Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 Top-Up (5%) Maximum cap INR 25 lakh	5% of 5 crore = 25 lakh	INR 25 lakh (within limits)
Total Incentive	RIPS 2024 Benefit + AI Top-Up	INR 5 crore + INR 25 lakh = INR 5.25 crore

7.4 Terms & Conditions

I. All benefits eligible under the prevailing RIPS 2024, Rajasthan Startup Policy 2022, MSME Policy 2024, Data Centre Policy 2025, Skill Development Policy 2025 as well as any other State Government policies/schemes in force during the policy period, shall be applicable to the Industries/MSMEs/Startups/R&D institutes as outlined in the respective policies/ schemes.

II. The total combined incentives available under different policies such as RIPS, MSME, Startup, Data Centre, AI/ML policy etc., shall not exceed 100% of the State's fiscal outflow ceiling.

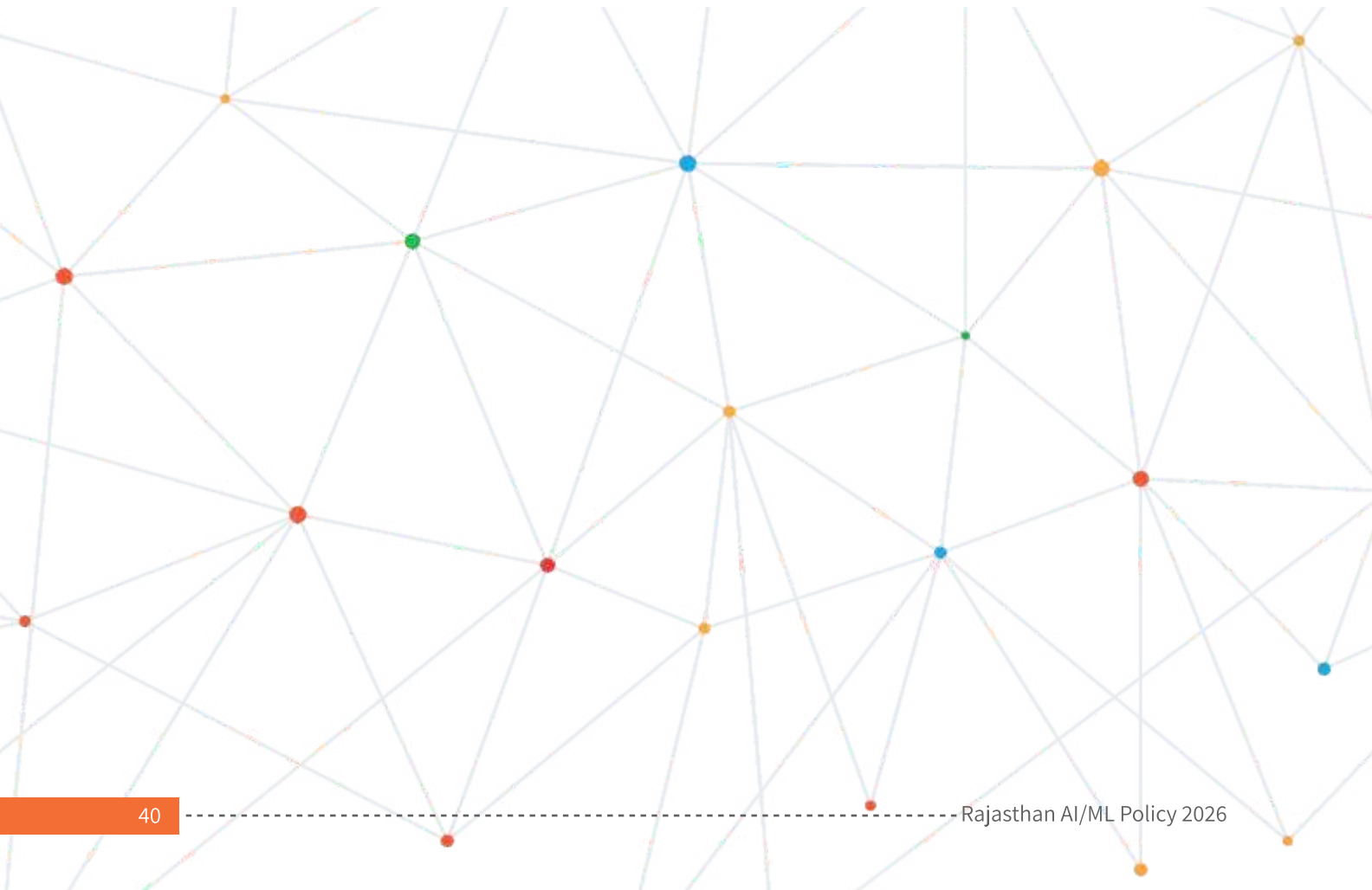
III. Provisions of this policy that reference or derive from the prevailing RIPS, Startup Policy, MSME Policy, Data Centre Policy, Skill Development Policy, or any other relevant policies shall be revised accordingly if the corresponding provisions in those policies are amended or updated.

IV. The eligible entity availing the benefit of subsidy may, from the date of issuance of notification by the State Government, maintain the record of sale, purchase, and inventory of goods on the electronic media in digital form (online in computer) or in the manner as may be specified by an order by the State Government and shall provide online access of such records to the assessing authority as prescribed in the Rajasthan Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (Act No. 9 of 2017) and Rajasthan Value

Added Tax Act, 2003 and the Central Sales Tax Act, 1956 or any rules made thereunder, to the officer authorized by the Commissioner, Commercial Taxes, Rajasthan, in this behalf.

V. In the event of any inconsistency between this policy and the applicable base policy (RIPS, Startup Policy, MSME Policy, Data Centre Policy, etc.), the provisions of the base policy shall prevail with respect to eligibility, incentives, and operational conditions.

VI. In case of any breach of policy conditions or violations of copyright or intellectual property rights by an eligible entity, the benefits availed shall be withdrawn, and the nodal department will recover the amount along with interest at 18% per annum from the date of disbursement; additionally, the entity may be declared ineligible for future incentives and can be blacklisted by the State Government as per prevailing rules.



SUMMARY

The State will accelerate AI through a unified portal and layered incentives on existing policies, supporting the full development lifecycle with priority for governance, agriculture, health, education, environment, and inclusion. AI, treated as a sunrise Industry 4.0 sector, is eligible for asset creation, skilling, IP, green incentives, and additional interest subvention for qualifying data centres, under robust governance with periodic guidelines.

Targeted measures cover MSMEs, startups, and R&D. MSMEs receive financing and market development support alongside tech acquisition, quality certification, IP, green, and skilling top-ups. Startups gain seedstage, skilling, IP, networking, GPU compute reimbursements via IndiaAI, and procurement facilitation. R&D entities get training and IP support. All benefits are additive, cost limited, and subject to eligibility with a cooling off period.

8. CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (COE-AI)

The Centre of Excellence for AI (CoE-AI) has been conceptualized as a flagship initiative emerging from the Budget announcements for the Brahmagupta Centre of Frontier Technologies, further strengthened through institutional support envisioned under the IndiaAI Mission. Aligned with the aspirations of Viksit Rajasthan 2047, the CoE-AI will serve as the State's apex hub for AI strategy—accelerating innovation, enabling digital empowerment, and driving data-led governance across all sectors. The State shall explore the possibility of establishing this centre in collaboration with an academic institution of repute.

Functioning both as a knowledge partner and an implementation engine, the CoE-AI will steer the three key enablers outlined in the policy. With dedicated resources, deep technical expertise, and a clear mandate, it will support the full AI lifecycle—from ideation and prototyping to piloting, operationalization, and statewide scaling of AI solutions—ensuring that Rajasthan leverages AI as a foundational driver of its 2047 development vision.

It will collaborate with departments, research institutions, startups, and industry partners to foster innovation and capacity building. Key functions of CoE-AI will include:

8.1. Research and Collaboration:

- Facilitate advanced research in core and applied areas of AI, including machine learning, computer vision, natural language processing, and Responsible AI.
- Facilitate partnerships with academic institutions, think tanks, and industry leaders to drive applied research on socially impactful AI use cases relevant to the State.

8.2 Policy and Ethical Frameworks:

- Provide guidance on ethical AI use, data governance, privacy, and regulatory compliance in line with national and international best practices.
- Adopt frameworks for bias mitigation and risk assessment.

8.3 Innovation and Startup Support:

- Incubate AI-based Startups and enable innovation by offering infrastructure, mentorship, and access to curated datasets and sandbox environments.
- Partner with venture capital and CSR bodies to accelerate AI-led startups.

8.4 Capacity Building and Skill Development:

- Organize training programmes, certifications, and workshops for students, professionals, and Government officials to enhance AI literacy and technical expertise.

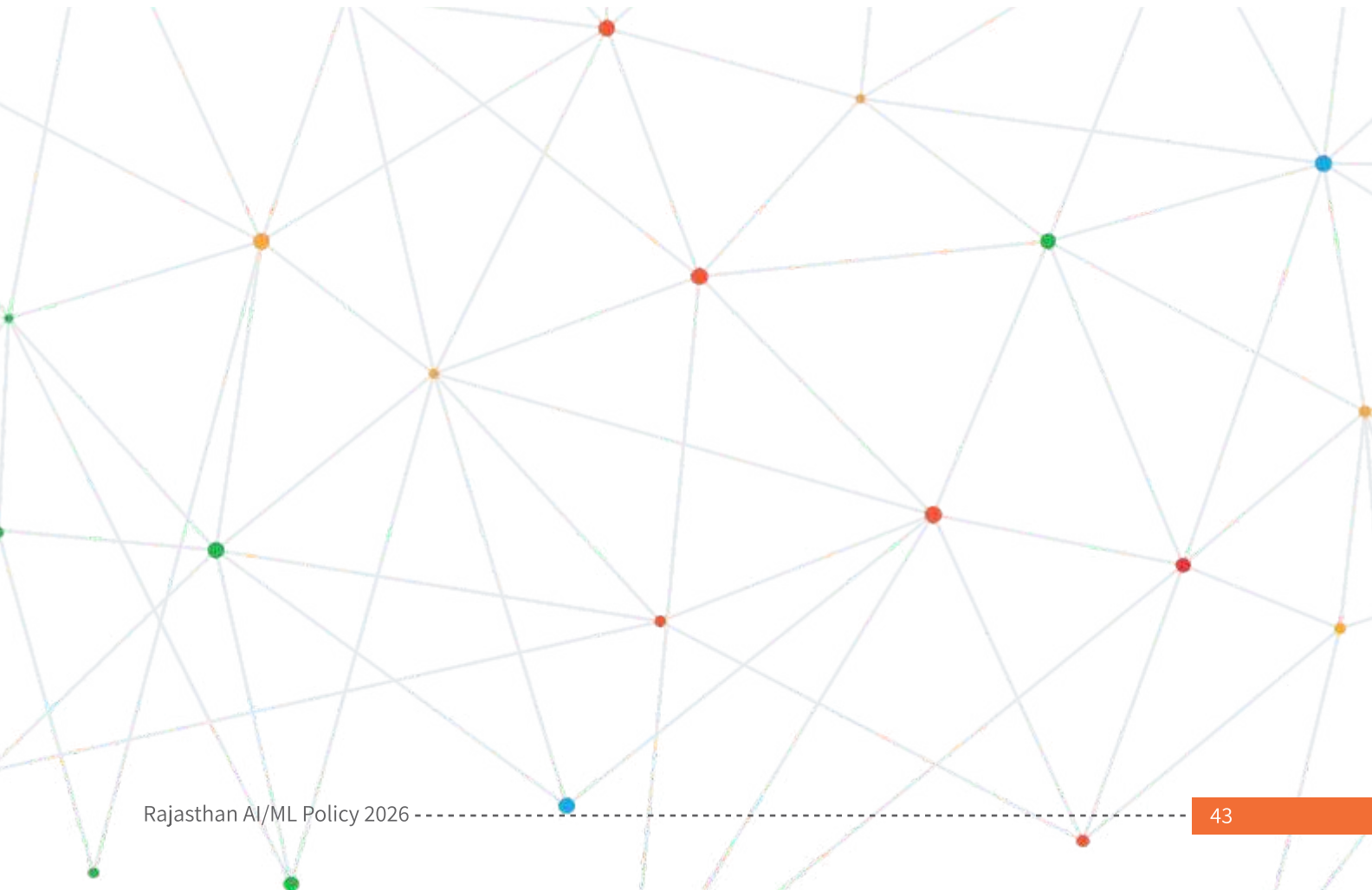
- Collaborate with leading Industry and academic institutions for necessary upskilling.

8.5 Use Case Development and Proof of Concept (PoC): Map and prioritize AI use cases aligned with the Viksit Rajasthan 2047 vision, including predictive service delivery, smart urban management, sustainable agriculture, intelligent water and energy systems, enhanced health analytics, and immersive tourism experiences.

8.6 Monitoring and Evaluation: Establish KPIs, dashboards, and reporting tools to track the progress of AI adoption across departments, ensure transparency, and enable periodic policy impact assessment.

8.7 Knowledge Repository: Serve as a State-level knowledge hub to document AI use cases, API repositories, pre-trained models, success stories, and frameworks that can be scaled across departments and regions.

The CoE-AI will operate under the strategic oversight of the Department of Information Technology & Communication (DoIT&C) and in coordination with the designated Committees. It will play a pivotal role in translating the policy vision into measurable, on-ground impact.



SUMMARY

The Centre of Excellence for AI (CoE-AI), aligned with Viksit Rajasthan 2047 and supported by the IndiaAI Mission, will serve as the State's apex hub for AI strategy.

It will guide key policy enablers and support the entire AI lifecycle, from ideation and prototyping to pilots, operationalization, and statewide scaling; enhancing innovation, digital empowerment, and data-led governance.

Its core functions include advanced and applied AI research, ethical and policy guidance on data governance and bias mitigation, startup incubation with infrastructure and sandbox access, and extensive capacity building.

The CoE-AI will prioritize high-impact use cases, develop KPIs and dashboards for monitoring, and maintain a State-level knowledge repository, operating under DoIT&C for measurable on-ground impact.

9. REGULATORY AND ETHICAL ALIGNMENT

The State is committed to ensuring that the development and deployment of Artificial Intelligence across the State strictly comply with applicable legal frameworks, uphold citizens' rights, and foster public trust in AI systems.

9.1 Alignment with National and Global Norms

All AI projects under the Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 will adhere to the national policies, Act, and frameworks issued by the Government of India such as DPDP Act, IT Act, IndiaAI Framework and other relevant international standards, as may be adopted or notified from time to time.

9.2 Privacy and Data Governance

Data collection, storage, and usage in all AI projects must follow:

- Informed consent protocols.
- Purpose limitation and data minimization principles.
- Anonymization or pseudonymization for public datasets.

9.3 Risk Assessment and AI Audits

- A structured AI Risk Classification Framework will be introduced to evaluate AI projects based on potential impact and sensitivity (e.g., social, legal, or operational risks).
- To build public trust, periodic AI audits as per the framework defined by the Government of India or Government of Rajasthan, will be conducted time to time, to:
  - Detect bias or unintended consequences.
  - Monitor adherence to ethical and legal protocols.
  - Ensure model transparency and explainability.
- Critical AI systems (e.g., in law enforcement or healthcare) will undergo pre-deployment impact assessments.

9.4 Reporting of AI crimes

As part of this AI Policy, we align with the Ministry of Home Affair's I4C framework[9] for cybercrime coordination; report suspected AI-related cybercrimes via the National Cyber Crime Reporting Portal (https://cybercrime.gov.in). Complaints are routed to the relevant State/UT law enforcement agencies, with assistance available via the toll-free helpline 1930.

[9] https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=2119050&reg=3&lang=2

10. POLICY ADMINISTRATION AND IMPLEMENTATION

To ensure successful execution of the Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026, a structured multi-tier governance framework will be established with specific roles and responsibilities assigned at various levels. This structure emphasizes accountability, inter-departmental collaboration, readiness evaluation, and phased adoption.

10.1 Nodal Department

The administrative department governing the policy will be the Department of Information Technology & Communication (DoIT&C), Government of Rajasthan.

10.2 Project Approval Committee

The Project Approval Committee will be responsible for recommending and approving budgetary provisions, financial assistance, and other ancillary activities. It will also oversee the overall monitoring and governance of the policy and its guidelines. The committee will meet on a periodic basis. The constitution is as follows:

PROJECT APPROVAL COMMITTEE	
Commissioner, DoIT&C	Chairperson
Technical Director (AI), DoIT&C	Member
Executive Director/Director (Technical), RISL	Member
Nominee of Finance department not below the rank of Joint Secretary	Member
Officer In Charge (AI), DoIT&C	Member Secretary
Nominee(s) from Academia (Need Basis)	Member
Subject Matter Expert (Need Basis)	Member

10.3 Project Evaluation Committee

The Project Evaluation committee will review all the proposals received under the policy to ensure compliance with the prescribed guidelines and standards.

The constitution of the committee is as follow:

PROJECT EVALUATION COMMITTEE	
Technical Director (AI), DoIT&C	Chairperson
Director (Technical), RISL	Member
Financial Advisor/ Chief Accounts Officer	Member
Officer In Charge (AI), DoIT&C	Member Secretary
Nominee from Academia (Premium leading Institutes)- Need Basis	Member
Subject Matter Expert (Need Basis)	Member
Nominee from the Department of Industries and Commerce (Need Basis)	Member

10.4 Appeal

ACS/Principal Secretary/Secretary (IT&C) shall be empowered to hear and decide appeals against the order of Project Approval Committee. The decision of the ACS/Principal Secretary/Secretary (IT&C) shall be final and binding under this policy.

The application for appeal shall be filed within a period of 30 days from the date of communication of the decision.

10.5 AI Nodal Officer at each department

To ensure effective coordination and monitoring of AI-related initiatives at the department level, an AI Nodal Officer not below the rank of Joint Secretary will be nominated. The AI Nodal Officer will be responsible for identifying use-cases, overseeing the implementation and progress of AI initiatives within the department. The AI Nodal Officer would promote the adoption of AI and availability of datasets, leveraging existing IT ecosystem, ensuring alignment with the broader strategic goals of the policy.

10.6 Responsibility matrix for the implementation of the Policy

Successful implementation of the policy will require a multipronged approach with collaboration among various stakeholders.

10.7 Guidelines and Protocols

All operational guidelines, including those related to privacy, bias mitigation, procurement, risk audits, and ethical standards, shall be formulated in accordance with applicable norms of the Government of Rajasthan and the Government of India. These guidelines will be notified separately by the designated authority and may be revised from time to time based on emerging needs, sectoral priorities, or technological advancements.

ANNEXURE A - GLOSSARY

#	TERMS	DEFINITION
1.	Automation	The use of technology to perform tasks with minimal/no human assistance.
2.	AI-driven Automation	The use of AI to automate tasks, processes, or systems.
3.	AI Model	A computer program that has been trained to recognize patterns and make decisions or predictions based on data.
4.	AI Risk Management	The systematic application of policies and practices to identify, assess and mitigate risks associated with AI system (ISO/ IEC 23894).
5.	Bias (AI)	Systematic errors in AI model that result in unfair or discriminatory outcomes, often due to skewed training data or flawed algorithms.
6.	CERT-In	Indian Computer Emergency Response Team.
7.	Computer Vision	AI technologies that enable machines to interpret and make decisions based on visual inputs such as images and videos.
8.	Data Centre	As per Rajasthan Data Centre Policy 2025 “A Data Centre (DC) is a physical facility that organizations use to host their essential applications and data. Its design is built around a network of computing and storage resources that facilitate the delivery of collection, storage, processing, and distribution of large amounts of shared applications and data”.
9.	Data Visualization	The representation of data in a graphical format to make it easier to understand and interpret.
10.	DPDP Act, 2023	India’s Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023 that governs the collection, processing and storage of personal data, ensuring privacy and consent-based access.
11.	EFCI	“Investment” or “Eligible Fixed Capital Investment (EFCI)” means investment made by an enterprise in fixed assets as detailed in RIPS 2024.

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12.	Eligible Cost/ Expenditure	Eligible cost/expenditure means the portion of project costs/expenses that has been duly incentivized under the applicable base policy like RIPS 2024, Rajasthan MSME Policy 2024, Rajasthan Data Centre Policy 2025, etc. The Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 provides only incremental benefits on this incentivized amount, over and above the base policy.
13.	Environmental Projects	As per RIPS 2024 'Environmental projects' means "Environmental infrastructure facilities (such as ETPs and waste management projects); Zero Liquid Discharge; Air pollution control measures; Water measures".
14.	Explainable AI	AI methods that make system decisions transparent and interpretable by humans.
15.	GenAI (Generative AI)	A subfield of AI that creates new content such as text, images, audio, or video by learning patterns from existing data.
16.	Graphics Processing Unit (GPU)	As per NITI Aayog, "A high performance processor ideal for AI workloads, simulations, and image processing[10]."
17.	HPC	As per NITI Aayog, "A network of powerful computers used for complex calculations and AI model training."
18.	Ineligible Entities	As per RIPS 2024 "Investment for manufacturing tobacco, tobacco products and pan masala; Investment made in cow beef processing units; Investment made in retail / trading activities; City Gas Distribution System; Any activity which is prohibited by Central/ State laws". As per Rajasthan AI/ML Policy 2026 - Entities whose primary business is adult services, environmental crimes, crypto mining, high-risk AI uses such as social scoring, manipulative or biometric monitoring, predictive policing, and processing sensitive personal data without a clear legal basis and safeguards. The State reserves the right to include or exclude any sector/entity from this list from time to time.

[10] https://niti.gov.in/sites/default/files/2025-09/AI-for-Viksit-Bharat-the-opportunity-for-accelerated-economic-growth.pdf

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19.	Industry 4.0	As per RIPS 2024 ""Industry 4.0" means the enterprises engaged in big data and analytics, Artificial Intelligence, nanotechnology, quantum computing, fifth-generation wireless technologies, simulations, horizontal and vertical system integration, cyber security, cloud, additive manufacturing and augmented reality across the business value chain".
20.	LLM (Large Language Model)	As per NITI Aayog, "An AI model that understands and generates human like text based on large datasets[11]".
21.	MSME (Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises)	As per Rajasthan MSME Policy 2025 "MSME" means an establishment as defined vide Gazette notification No.: [F. No. 2/1(5)/2019-P&G/Policy (Pt-IV) dated 1st June 2020 & Office Memorandum (OM) No. 5/2(2)/2021-E/P&G/Policy dated July 2, 2021, issued by Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Government of India.
22.	Machine Learning (ML)	Algorithms that learn from data to improve performance (ISO/ IEC 22989).
23.	Natural Language Processing (NLP)	The ability of machines to understand, interpret and generate human language.
24.	Neural Processing Unit (NPU)	A Neural Processing Unit (NPU) is a dedicated hardware component designed to accelerate Artificial Intelligence (AI) and machine learning tasks.
25.	R&D / Research and Development	As per RIPS 2024 "'R&D/Research and Development' means a systematic process of innovation and experimentation aimed at creating new knowledge, products, or technologies, or improving existing ones to advance industrial, scientific, or commercial objectives".
26.	Risk Audit (AI)	The process of identifying, assessing, and mitigating potential risks in AI systems.

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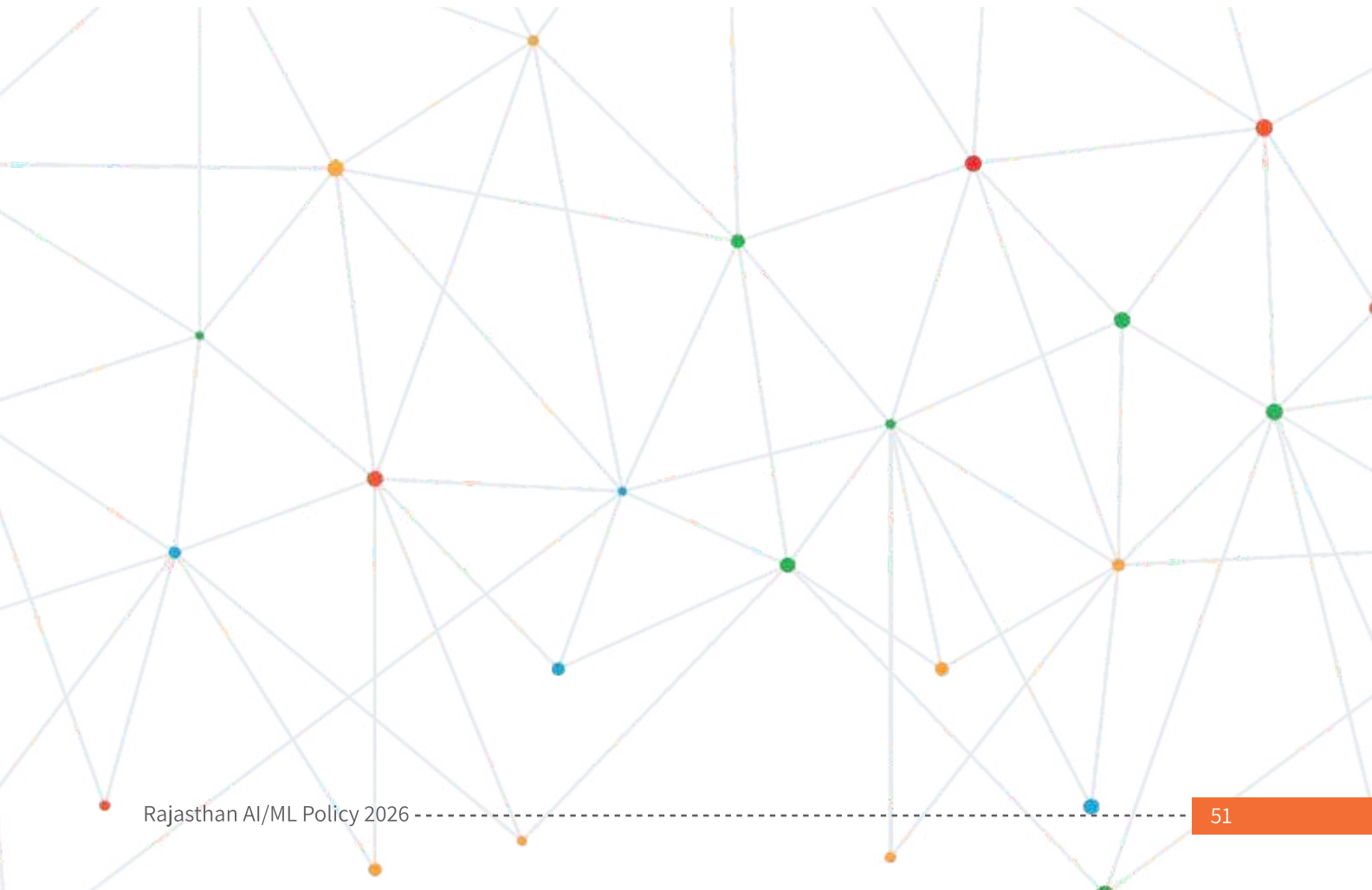
27.	Startup	As defined under the Rajasthan Startup Policy 2022.
28.	Sunrise Sectors	As per RIPS 2024, Sunrise sectors are “Green Hydrogen; Ethanol; Medical Devices & Equipment; Biotechnology; New Battery Technology; Industry 4.0; Data Centres; Rare Earth Elements; Lab-grown Diamonds; Aero & Space; Defence; Drones; Semiconductors; Agri-Tech; Waste Recycling”.
29.	Thrust Sectors	As per Rajasthan Startup Policy 2022, Thrust Sectors are “Agriculture, Education, Fin-Tech, Healthcare, SaaS, Industry 4.0, Green Areas, Sunrise Sectors.
30.	Year	Means financial year (From 1st April to 31st March).



ANNEXURE B - MEASURABLE OUTCOMES

In alignment with the sectoral transformation pathways outlined in the Viksit Rajasthan 2047 Vision document, the following outcomes reflect areas where the Vision explicitly identifies Artificial Intelligence or AI-enabled systems as strategic drivers. These targets will serve as directional, State-level reference points and represent the outcomes expected.

Governance– AI-enabled Public Service Delivery & Adaptive Policy Reforms

INDICATOR/ INTERVENTION	2030	2035
AI in Public Service Delivery	Personalised service delivery, resource optimisation & AI-powered governance dashboards	AI-driven automation in all eligible services, transparent, inclusive delivery
AI-Driven Smart Governance	AI integration in governance, public service automation and employee upskilling	Integrate AI decision support systems into 50% of governance processes, deploying AI tools for administrative training, performance reviews and citizen data driven policy formulation
Adaptive and Responsive Policies	-	AI-led Policy Labs for real time evaluation and mid-course corrections, supported by dynamic Budgeting Tools for seasonal and need-based scheme adjustment
Justice Delivery System	Modernize judicial infrastructure and reduce case resolution time	Integration of smart judicial management systems with AI enabled dashboards and performance analysis

Transport – AI-enabled Mobility and Emergency Response Systems

INDICATOR/ INTERVENTION	2030	2035
AI based Transport Management System	AI-based advance Transport management system (ATMS) will be introduced	ATMS will be implemented on all major State highways, selected other roads & cities of the State
Public Safety and mobility	AI assisted emergency response and advanced ITMS for improved urban mobility	Deploy AI driven public safety, autonomous emergency response and smart eco-friendly urban mobility

Environment & Forest – AI-enabled Forest Monitoring and Sustainability

INDICATOR/ INTERVENTION	2030	2035
Forest Stack & Decision Support	Develop digital forest health monitoring and AI decision -support systems.	Advance digital forest stack with AI and expert collaboration.
Wildlife Conservation	AI-based surveillance and anti-poaching in 70% of protected areas, geo-fencing vulnerable boundaries, develop species recovery plans	AI based surveillance and creating Anti Forest Offence Task Force.

Health – AI-enabled Patient Data Integration

INDICATOR/ INTERVENTION	2030	2035
Integration of patient data with AI	33 Medical Colleges	41 Medical Colleges

Skill & Employment – AI enabled Skills Assessment and Certification

INDICATOR/ INTERVENTION	2030	2035
Inclusion of new/STEM NSQF aligned - 30 40 60 100 courses & expansion of skill training Courses programmes in emerging sectors, like AI, Blockchain, Data Analytics	30 courses	40 courses
AI-driven Skills Assessment and Certification (%)	30 %	40 %

Disaster Management & Relief

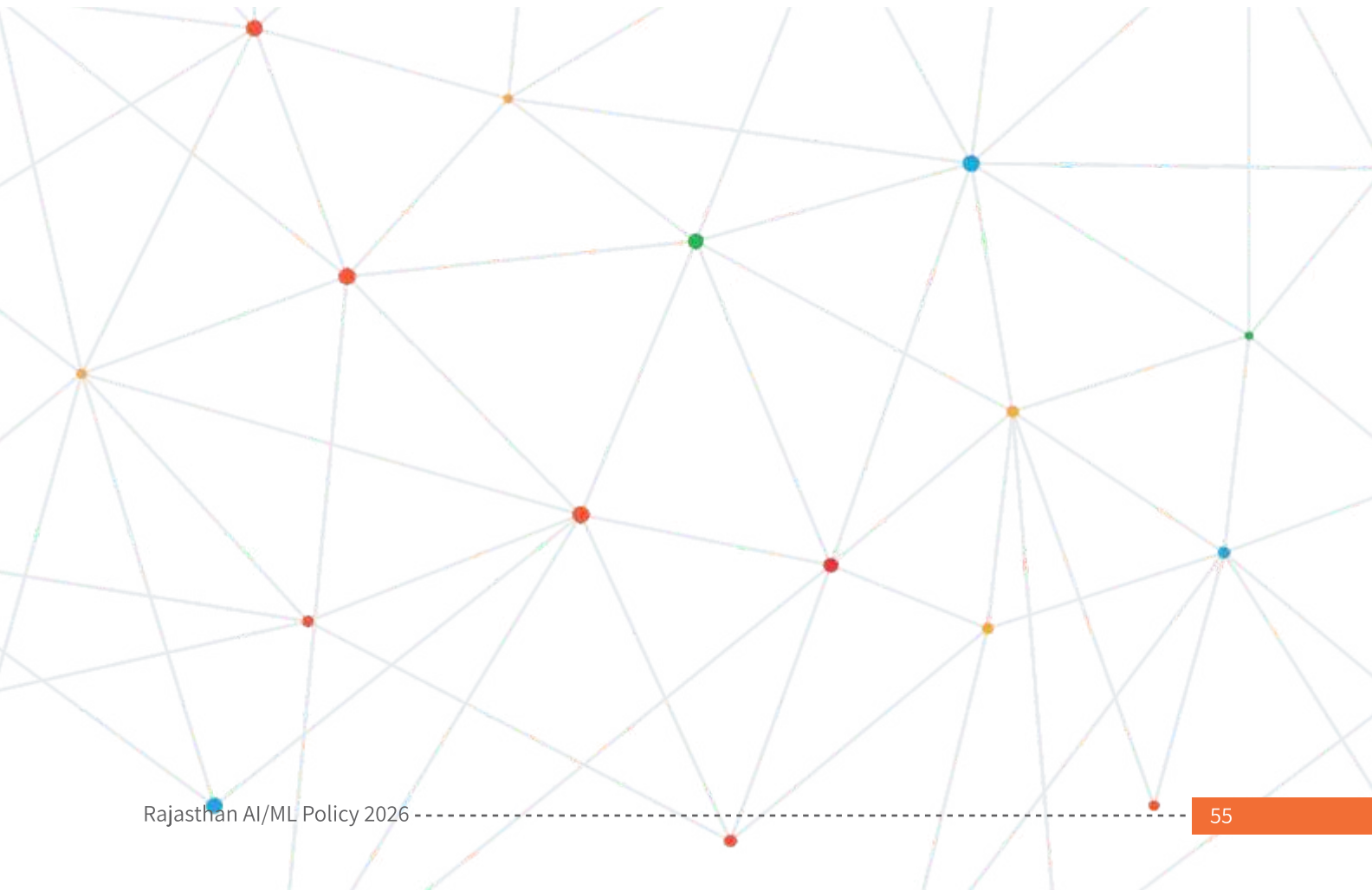
INDICATOR/ INTERVENTION	2030	2035
Technology & Infrastructure	Establish GIS Lab, specialised disaster cells, increase drones to 100+ and develop AI- based warning systems	Fully functional GIS & Remote Sensing Labs in 50% of divisions;250 drones will be deployed; AI alert systems

Tourism

INDICATOR/ INTERVENTION	MID TERM	LONG TERM
Tech-enable Solutions for Religious Tourism	QR/VR-based signage, AI-driven tourist assistance and temple security with CCTV during major festivals.	Enhance security at pilgrimage sites, provide AI-driven visitor experiences and develop temple information systems via mobile apps and audio-visual tools.

Agriculture

INDICATOR/ INTERVENTION	MID TERM	LONG TERM
High-Tech Farming Methods	Promote precision farming, AI-based advisory systems & micro-irrigation to increase agricultural productivity by 20%	Precision farming, mechanisation & AI-driven advisory systems to increase agricultural productivity by 40%.
AI-Based Supply Chain System	-	Implement real-time market intelligence to increase farmer profits by 30% through better price forecasting & logistics.



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