Digital India Talk Show organised at Pondicherry University

The National e-Governance Division (NeGD), Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology conducted a Digital India University Workshop- the 'Digital India Talk Show' at the Pondicherry University, Puducherry on July 30, 2025.

The event oragnised in the School Management Auditorium of the university began with the welcome address to over 200 students and faculty members by Prof. P.G. Arul, Director (i/c), UGC- Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre. Shri Ajay Kumar, Additional Director, NeGD gave an introduction to the workshop. Thereafter, Shri P. Natarajan, Dean, School Management addressed the participants followed by the inaugural address from the Vice-Chancellor of Pondicherry University, Prof. P Prakash Babu. The VC highlighted the pivotal role of Digital India in realizing its vision of making India a digitally empowered society and knowledge economy.

The workshop included sessions on key initiatives under the Government's flagship Digital India programme viz. DigiLocker, UMANG, OpenForge, Cybersecurity, Digital Personal Data Protection Act 2023, ABC (APAAR)-NAD, and projects such as the MANAS portal & helpline and the Visvesvaraya PhD Scheme. The event aimed at fostering digital awareness among the youth and educating students and young professionals about the Digital India Programme, enhancing their understanding of India's digital transformation journey. Students and faculty members actively participated in the workshop by asking questions about various initiatives to the experts from NeGD.

A Digital India Quiz was also organised to engage students and the winners were awarded Digital India gift hampers. Prof. S K V Jayakumar, Head (i/c), Computer Centre delivered the vote of thanks to all the dignitaries and officials present for their interactive participation.

Digital India Awareness University Workshops are an effort to ensure effective citizen engagement and communication with the youth and students who form the core of

India's future, which is filled with promising possibilities especially in the technological domain. The objective is to empower youth to actively engage and benefit from Digital India's transformative initiatives.