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India AI Impact Summit 2026 Concludes at Bharat Mandapam with Strong Global Endorsement of India's Responsible AI Vision

Infrastructure Pledges Cross $250 Billion; $20 Billion in Deep-Tech Commitments Reflect Global Confidence in India's AI Ecosystem

The world has confidence in India's role in the new AI age : Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw

Over 20 Heads of Government and Representatives from 118 Countries Participate in Landmark AI Convening

More Than 5 Lakh Participants and 550 Pre-Summit Events Make India AI Impact Summit One of the Largest Global AI Gatherings

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The India AI Impact Summit 2026 concluded today at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, with Minister for Electronics and Information Technology, Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw, addressing the media and summarising the scale, outcomes and key announcements emerging from the five-day global convening. The press conference also featured Shri Jitin Prasada, Minister of State of Electronics & Information Technology, Shri S. Krishnan, Secretary, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology, Shri Randhir Jaiswal, Official Spokesperson of the Ministry of External Affairs of India and Shri Dhirendra Ojha, Principal Spokesperson, Government of India & Principal Director General of Press Information Bureau.

The Summit witnessed unprecedented international participation, reaffirming India's growing leadership in shaping the global Artificial Intelligence discourse. The inauguration was attended by over 20 Heads of Government and 59 Ministerial-level representatives, alongside government representatives from 118 countries. The Summit also convened 100+ global AI leaders, CEOs and CXOs, and over 500 leading AI experts from across the world.

Reflecting immense global interest in India's AI trajectory, the Summit was attended by more than 5 lakh people. The momentum for the event had been building globally, with **550** Pre-Summit events held across 30 countries, and over 500 side events organised during the main Summit days making it one of the most expansive multi-stakeholder AI engagements to date.

In his address, highlighting the strong global participation, widespread endorsement of India's responsible AI vision, and the growing confidence in the country's technological capabilities, Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw, said *"The numbers are important, but what is truly important is that the world has confidence in India's role in the new AI age. The quality of participation, the depth of dialogue, and the global endorsement of our approach to responsible and sovereign AI show that India is not just participating in this transformation, we are helping shape it."*

The Minister described the AI Summit as a landmark moment for India's global leadership in artificial intelligence. He highlighted the participation of major global AI players, strong ministerial engagement, and unprecedented youth involvement, including over 2.5 lakh students contributing to discussions on responsible and ethical AI, resulting in a Guinness World Record.

He noted that infrastructure-related investment pledges have crossed $250 billion, alongside approximately $20 billion in deep-tech venture commitments, reflecting growing global confidence in India's AI infrastructure ecosystem. He also emphasized strong international endorsement of India's sovereign AI model strategy and praised the quality of indigenous models developed with frugal innovation.

Framing these developments within the broader vision of Prime Minister Shri **Narendra Modi** for "Viksit Bharat" by 2047, he positioned the Summit as a decisive step toward building long-term technological and semiconductor capacity in India.

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