

## National e-Governance Division

### Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology

### Press Note

- **Digital India Talk Show organised at Cotton University, Guwahati**
- **Interactive Talk Show engages 150+ Students and Faculty members on Digital Public Infrastructure and Emerging Technologies**

**Guwahati, June 2, 2026:** In its ongoing endeavour to strengthen digital awareness and literacy among young citizens, the National e-Governance Division (NeGD), under the Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MeitY), organised a Digital India Talk Show and Interactive Session at Cotton University, Guwahati.

The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from over 150 students and faculty members, providing a vibrant platform to explore India's rapidly expanding digital ecosystem, the significance of Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI), and the transformative role of technology in enabling citizen-centric governance and innovation.

The programme commenced with a Welcome Address by Dr. Hitendra Choudhary, Former Head of the Department, Computer Science & IT, followed by the traditional Lighting of the Lamp Ceremony and felicitation of dignitaries. Delivering the opening remarks, Shri Sunil Jain, Director, NeGD, highlighted the transformative impact of the Digital India programme and underscored the importance of empowering youth through digital inclusion and awareness.

The inaugural address was delivered by the Chief Guest, Prof. Ramesh Chandra Deka, Vice Chancellor, Cotton University, who emphasized the critical role of academic institutions in fostering digital literacy, innovation, and technology-driven growth. The occasion was also graced by distinguished university officials, including Dr. Hiren Deka, Registrar, and Dr. Ruma Talukdar, Director, CBC.

The Digital India Talk Show featured a series of informative sessions conducted by subject matter experts from NeGD:

- Ms. Shipra Saxena delivered presentations on UMANG and myScheme, highlighting how integrated digital platforms are simplifying citizen access to government services.
- Shri Shiven Shankar presented on DigiLocker, showcasing its role in promoting secure, paperless, and efficient digital governance.

- Ms. Divya Anand spoke about API Setu, UX4G, and the growing importance of digital integration in enhancing public service delivery.
- Shri Soumavo Majumdar conducted a session on Cybersecurity and the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023, emphasizing responsible digital behaviour, online safety, and data privacy awareness.

The sessions generated significant interest among participants, leading to lively discussions and insightful interactions. Students actively engaged with the speakers through thoughtful questions and exchanges, contributing to a highly interactive learning experience. Adding an element of excitement and engagement, NeGD organised a Digital India Quiz, enabling students to test and strengthen their knowledge of key Digital India initiatives and platforms.

The programme concluded with a Prize Distribution Ceremony, followed by a group photograph and a Vote of Thanks delivered by Dr. Hiren Deka, Registrar, Cotton University, who expressed gratitude to the organisers, speakers, and participants for making the event both impactful and enriching.

The Digital India Talk Show continues to serve as an important outreach initiative aimed at enhancing digital literacy, promoting awareness of government digital platforms, and inspiring young citizens to actively participate in India's digital transformation journey. The programme was conceptualised, coordinated, and executed by NeGD, ensuring seamless implementation and effective engagement with the academic community.

