



## **National e-Governance Division Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology**

### **Press Note**

- **NeGD conducts DPDP Act Awareness Session for Third Batch of NCERT Participants**

**New Delhi, August 17, 2026:** The National e-Governance Division (NeGD), Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), conducted an awareness session on the **Digital Personal Data Protection (DPDP) Act, 2023** for the **third batch of participants at NCERT**. The session brought together participants from various departments and institutions in the education sector representing **Rajasthan, Haryana, Punjab, Delhi, Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh and Himachal Pradesh**.

The session aimed at creating awareness and building a foundational understanding of the DPDP Act among education-sector stakeholders, with a specific focus on how the provisions of the Act are relevant to government education departments and their day-to-day operations.

During the session, participants were provided with an overview of the **DPDP Act, 2023**, including its key objectives, principles, important definitions, roles and responsibilities of different stakeholders, and the rights of Data Principals by **Mr. Naman Agrawal, DPDP Lead, NeGD**. He also highlighted the importance of responsible and secure processing of personal data in the education ecosystem.

The session particularly focused on sensitising participants on **practical measures that education departments can undertake to align their processes with the DPDP Act**. Discussions covered areas such as identification and management of personal data, limiting data collection and usage to specified purposes, appropriate access controls and security safeguards, data retention and deletion practices, and strengthening organisational processes for responsible data handling.



Given the extensive use of personal data across the education sector—including information relating to students, teachers, parents, employees and other stakeholders, the session emphasised the importance of incorporating data protection considerations into government schemes, education platforms, digital services and departmental processes.

The participants actively engaged in discussions and sought clarifications on the applicability of the DPDP framework to various scenarios encountered by education departments. The interaction provided an opportunity to bridge the gap between the provisions of the Act and their practical implementation within the education ecosystem.

The awareness session forms a part of NeGD's continued efforts to **sensitise government stakeholders across sectors on the DPDP Act and promote a culture of responsible personal data processing**. Through such sector-specific awareness initiatives, NeGD, MeitY is working towards enabling government departments and institutions to understand their responsibilities and take informed steps towards DPDP readiness.

The participation of education officials from **Rajasthan, Haryana, Punjab, Delhi, Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh and Himachal Pradesh** provided a valuable platform for sharing perspectives and strengthening awareness of data protection requirements across the education sector.

