Digital India State Consultation Workshop Organized in UP

Why in News?

The National e-Governance Division (NeGD) of the Ministry of Electronics and Information <u>Technology (MeitY)</u>, in partnership with Uttar Pradesh Development Systems Corporation Ltd. (UPDESCO), organized a <u>Digital India State Consultation Workshop</u> in Lucknow.

Key Points

Aim of the Workshop:

- Raising awareness about **Digital India initiatives**.
- Identifying opportunities for state IT projects to leverage Digital India platforms.
- Showcasing successful projects for potential replication.
- Facilitating knowledge sharing, exchange of ideas, and industry partnerships.
- Focus Areas:
 - The event highlighted the **importance of data and <u>digital infrastructure</u>** and urged the state to enhance connectivity for last-mile digital penetration.
 - The workshop's uniqueness in bringing together state officials and e-District Managers to collaboratively work towards good governance was emphasised.
 - Discussions centered on national initiatives under the Digital India
 - Programme including:
 - Digilocker: <u>Digilocker</u> allows access to digital versions of various documents including driver's licenses, vehicle registration certificates and academic mark sheets.
 - Entity Locker: EntityLocker is a flagship initiative designed to empower organizations by providing a secure, cloud-based platform for storing, sharing, and verifying digital documents and certificates.
 - API Setu: <u>API Setu</u> addresses the fear/risk of <u>Covid-19</u> infections and will help the people, businesses and the economy to return to normalcy.
 - **OpenForge:** It is Government of India's platform for open collaborative development of e-governance applications. Its objective is to **promote sharing** and reuse of e-governance application source code.
 - myScheme: It is a National Platform that aims to offer one-stop search and discovery of the Government schemes.
 - UMANG: The <u>UMANG</u> mobile app is an all-in-one single, unified, secure, multi-channel, multi-lingual, multi-service mobile app. It provides access to high-impact services of various organizations of the Union and States.
 - **UX4G:** It aims to **make digital services user-friendly** by providing personalized, visually appealing, efficient, and accessible interfaces.
 - Key topics like **Cyber Security** and Capacity Building were also addressed.
 - State-led discussions featured CM Helpline (1076), <u>Inspector General of Registration</u> and <u>Stamps (IGRS)</u>, <u>UIDAI Ecosystem</u>, and <u>Aadhaar Authentication Services</u>.
- Open Discussions:
 - A collaborative session was held between MeitY and Uttar Pradesh government officials.
 - During the session key challenges and implementation issues in <u>e-Governance</u> projects were discussed.
 - Feedback and suggestions were sought for resolving obstacles and improving project

execution.

National e-Governance Division (NeGD)

- About:
 - The NeGD was established in 2009 by the Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MeitY) as an Independent Business Division under the Digital India Corporation.
- Role and Responsibilities:
 - NeGD supports MeitY in **managing and implementing** <u>e-Governance</u> projects across the country.
 - It **provides technical and advisory assistance** to Central and State Ministries, Departments, and other government organizations.
- Key Operational Areas:
 - **Programme Management:** Ensures smooth execution of e-Governance projects.
 - **Project Development:** Develops initiatives to enhance digital governance.
 - **Technology Management:** Oversees technological aspects of e-Governance projects.
 - Capacity Building: Strengthens skills and capabilities within government organizations.
 - **Awareness and Communication:** Promotes e-Governance initiatives under the Digital India Programme.

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