

Paris Al Summit 2025

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Why in News?

The **Prime Minister (PM)** of India visited France to co-chair the **Paris Artificial Intelligence (AI) Action Summit 2025**.

Also, the 2nd India-France Al Policy Roundtable was held on the sidelines of the summit.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) Action Summit:

- The Al Action Summit is a global forum that brings together world leaders, policymakers, technology experts, and industry representatives to discuss Al governance, ethics, and its role in society.
- The Al Action Summit in Paris is the 3rd summit, following the Bletchley Park Summit (UK 2023) and the Seoul Summit (South Korea 2024).
 - Bletchley Park Declaration (28 countries): Advocated safe, human-centric, and responsible AI.
 - Seoul Summit (27 nations): Reaffirmed international cooperation and proposed a network of Al Safety Institutes.

Key Themes of Paris Al Action Summit 2025:

- Public Interest AI: Developing open AI infrastructure for social, economic, and environmental benefits.
- Future of Work: Ensuring Al's responsible use through sustained social dialogue.
- Innovation & Culture: Creating sustainable AI ecosystems, especially for creative industries.
- Trust in AI: Establishing scientific consensus on AI safety and security.
- **Global AI Governance:** Shaping an inclusive and effective international AI governance framework.

What are the Key Outcomes of the Paris Artificial Intelligence (AI) Summit 2025?

- Joint Declaration on Inclusive and Sustainable AI: Joint Statement on 'Inclusive and Sustainable Artificial Intelligence for People and the Planet' was signed by 58 countries including India, China, EU, except US and the UK (expressing concerns related to excessive regulations on AI).
- Public Interest AI Platform and Incubator: Public Interest AI Platform and Incubator was launched to bridge public-private AI efforts, and promote a trustworthy AI ecosystem through capacity building in data, transparency, and financing.
- Human-Centric AI and Global Priorities: The summit emphasized the need for ethical, safe, and inclusive AI, ensuring human rights protection while addressing AI-driven inequalities.
 - Global Priorities related to Al includes Al accessibility, transparency, job creation, sustainability, and international governance.
 - It emphasized bridging the digital divide, ensuring Al safety, promoting green Al, and fostering global cooperation.
- Alignment with Existing Multilateral Al Initiatives: The summit emphasized alignment with global Al initiatives, including UN General Assembly Resolutions, the Global Digital Compact, UNESCO Al Ethics Recommendations, the African Union Al strategy, and frameworks by OECD, G7, and G20.
- India' Stance: India advocated open-source and sustainable AI, emphasizing clean energy and workforce upskilling.
 - As the **2024 lead chair** of the **Global Partnership on AI (GPAI),** it aims to establish GPAI as the central platform for responsible AI development.

What are the Key Outcomes of 2nd India-France Al Policy Roundtable?

- About:
 - The 2nd India-France Al Policy Roundtable was held alongside the Al Action Summit 2025 in Paris.
 - It was organized by India's Principal Scientific Adviser's Office, IISc Bengaluru, IndiaAl Mission, and Sciences Po Paris.
- Key Takeaways:
 - Al Governance & Ethics: Emphasis on responsible Al, equitable benefit-sharing, techno-legal frameworks, and Al safety.
 - Discussions covered **Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) for AI**, **AI foundation models**, **global AI governance**, and AI's role in **tackling global challenges**.
 - Cross-Border Al Collaboration: Focus on data sovereignty, interoperable Al infrastructure, and sovereign Al models, addressing the lack of arbitration mechanisms for cross-border data flows.
 - Al for Global Challenges: Integration of Al in multilingual models, federated computing, and solutions for global issues.
 - Sustainable AI: Promotion of energy-efficient AI models and responsible computing practices to mitigate AI's high energy footprint.

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PM Recalls Marseille Connection with Savarkar's and India's Freedom Struggle:

- In 1910, while being transported to India, Veer Savarkar attempted an escape in Marseille but was recaptured.
- His extradition led to a Franco-British legal dispute, resolved by the Permanent Court of

Arbitration (1911) in Britain's favor.

• He was sentenced to 2 life terms and imprisoned in the Cellular Jail, Andamans.

What are the Challenges Related to the Development of AI?

- High Energy Consumption: Al's growing energy demand could increase data centers' power consumption from 1-2% to 3-4% by 2030, potentially reaching 21% of global energy consumption.
 - The expected **rise in carbon dioxide emissions** due to increased energy demand is **projected to result in a "social cost" of USD 125-140 billion.**
 - IEA states that a ChatGPT query uses 10 times more energy than a Google search.
 - Al data centres may consume as much electricity as India's total current consumption (1,580 terawatt-hours) (<u>Economic Survey 2024-25</u>).
- Issue of People-Centric AI vs AI-Centric Development: Balancing people-centric AI (ethical, inclusive, and human-focused) with AI-centric development (automation-driven) is a key challenge as over-reliance on AI risks job loss, data privacy issues, and digital divide.
- Insecure and Low-Cost Al Models: Insecure and low-cost Al models like DeepSeek pose risks of data breaches, misinformation, deepfakes, and cybersecurity threats.
 - Weak regulatory oversight and ethical safeguards heighten bias and security concerns, necessitating robust Al governance.

What are the Challenges related to Generative AI before India?

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Way Forward

- Sustainable Al Infrastructure: Promote energy-efficient Al models, renewable-powered data centers, and optimized algorithms to reduce Al's carbon footprint.
 - Encourage green computing and Al-driven smart grids for sustainability.
- Ethical and Inclusive AI Policies: Promote equity, transparency, and accountability in AI.
 - Strengthen data privacy, bias mitigation, and algorithmic fairness to balance peoplecentric and Al-centric.
- Strengthening AI Regulations and Security: Enforce strict oversight on AI models, especially insecure ones like DeepSeek, to counter cyber threats, misinformation, and deepfakes.
- Capacity Building and Workforce Readiness: Strengthen AI education, skilling programs, and research institutions to build a skilled workforce and mitigate job displacement.
- Al for Public Good: Utilize Al in healthcare, agriculture, governance, and disaster management to drive economic and social progress while minimizing risks.

Drishti Mains Question:

Discuss the key challenges in AI implementation in India and suggest policy measures to address them.

UPSC Civil Services Examination, Previous Year Questions (PYQs)

Prelims:

Q. Consider the following statements: (2016)

- 1. The International Solar Alliance was launched at the United Nations Climate Change Conference in
- 2. The Alliance includes all the member countries of the United Nations.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Ans: (a)

Mains:

Q. How will the I2U2 (India, Israel, UAE and USA) grouping transform India's position in global politics? (2022)

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