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Harnessing AI in India: Transforming Disorder into Digital Mastery

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ABSTRACT

As AI becomes integral to India's digital future, the need for comprehensive AI legislation is urgent. India's current legal framework is inadequate to address the ethical, cybersecurity, and data protection challenges posed by AI. Government oversight can increase public trust in AI, fostering confidence and encouraging broader societal engagement. By ensuring job creation, skill development, and equitable opportunities, AI can drive economic prosperity, especially in sectors like manufacturing, healthcare, and agriculture. To realize AI's full potential while minimizing risks, India must develop AI-specific regulations that promote innovation, protect

I. Introduction

The government's position on artificial intelligence (AI) legislation in India has been rather ambiguous. The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) first said in April of last year that there were no plans to adopt special legislation controlling the development of AI in the nation. However, a statement from the administration in early June suggested a change in strategy. It was said that they do want to regulate AI, particularly in order to protect online users from potential harm. The planned Digital India Act (DIA) is most likely to be utilised to implement this legislation.

It is important to keep in mind that MeitY's changed position might be impacted by events occurring in the European Union (EU). In May, legislative committees in the EU made progress by approving a draught negotiation mandate that is a compromise language. The goal of this mandate is to create the first set of internationally standardised guidelines for AI systems. These regulations must be based on the degree of risk that AI systems represent to people's rights, livelihoods, and safety. Additionally, on June 14, members of the European Parliament moved to strengthen their negotiation stance in relation to the "Artificial Intelligence Act" (also known as the Proposed AI Act). The ultimate form of this law is now being discussed with EU member states with the goal of attaining agreement by the end of 2023.

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Leveraging Artificial Intelligence and Big Data in the Telecommunication Sector is the name of a consultation document that was just released by the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI). The study suggests creating a national statutory body to supervise AI regulation in India. To guarantee that AI is used in a safe and responsible manner, the proposed body would operate on a "risk-based framework". A global regulatory organisation that would be in charge of guaranteeing the responsible use of AI globally is another idea put out by TRAI. Sam Altman, the creator of OpenAI, has advocated for the establishment of an international regulatory organisation to regulate AI in a manner similar to that which regulates nuclear power. His views are consistent with those of the OpenAI movement.

This article emphasises how crucial AI regulation is becoming in order to guarantee that the technology is applied in a way that benefits society as a whole. The government must implement a regulatory framework to assist the development of ethical AI in the nation, according to the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI). This framework ought to be applicable to all industries and give legal duties based on a risk-assessment approach the top priority for regulating high-risk AI use cases that directly affect people.⁴

Earlier this month, Microsoft, a corporate behemoth with a stake in OpenAI, published a thorough plan for AI governance in India.⁵ The "Governing AI: A Blueprint for India" paper puts out a set of rules that specify safety and security standards for the usage of AI in India. The plan describes a staged rollout of AI technologies in India.⁶ In order to create and test AI systems in a safe and secure setting, the study first advocates the establishment of a licenced AI data centre.⁷ New AI systems can be used in a wider range of contexts, such as enterprises and public locations, once they pass safety and security assessments.⁸ The strategy also

³ Sriram Sharma. 2017. Here's why India is likely to lose the AI race. (Aug 2017). Accessed November 8, 2017, factordaily.com/artificial-intelligence-india/.

⁴ Peter Stone, Rodney Brooks, Erik Brynjolfsson, Ryan Calo, Oren Etzioni, Greg Hager, Julia Hirschberg, Shivaram Kalyanakrishnan, Ece Kamar, Sarit Kraus, Kevin Leyton-Brown, David Parkes, William Press, AnnaLee Saxenian, Julie Shah, Milind Tambe, and Astro Teller. 2016. Artificial Intelligence and Life in 2030. One Hundred Year Study on Artificial Intelligence: Report of the 2015-2016 Study Panel. Technical Report. Stanford University

⁵ Jonathan Woetzel, Anu Madgavkar, and Shishir Gupta. 2016. A new emphasis on gainful employment in India. Report, McKinsey Global Institute (2016). Accessed October 27, 2017, https://www.mckinsey.com/featured-insights/employmentand-growth/a-new-emphasis-on-gainful-employment-in-india.

⁶ Pendey, Bimalendu. 'Artificial Intelligence And Cyber Security'. *Journal Transnational Universal Studies*, vol. 1, no. 2, Mar. 2023, pp. 93–99. *DOI.org (Crossref)*, https://doi.org/10.58631/jtus.v1i2.15.

⁷ Thuraisingham, Bhavani. 'The Role of Artificial Intelligence and Cyber Security for Social Networks and Internet of Transportation'. 2020 7th International Conference on Internet of Things: Systems, Management and Security (IOTSMS), IEEE, 2020, pp. 1–1. DOI.org (Crossref), https://doi.org/10.1109/IOTSMS52051.2020.9340205.

⁸ Adomi, Esharenana E., and Stella E. Igun. 'Combating Cyber Crime in Nigeria'. *The Electronic Library*, edited by Glen Walker, vol. 26, no. 5, Oct. 2008, pp. 716–25. *DOI.org* (*Crossref*), https://doi.org/10.1108/02640470810910738.

recommends establishing a regulatory body to monitor AI adoption and development in India. This authority would be in charge of making sure AI systems adhere to the relevant safety and security standards and would be in charge of keeping an eye on AI systems once they have been put into use to ensure ongoing safety and security. Overall, Microsoft's proposal for AI governance in India is a thorough and precise way to make sure that AI is created and used in a responsible and secure way.⁹

The Artificial Intelligence Act, which the European Union just passed, can serve as a model for India as it draughts a comparable specialised policy to control artificial intelligence. In April 2021, the European Commission put forth the initial EU regulatory framework for AI. The framework describes an application-specific risk-based classification scheme for AI systems. Different levels of rules will be applied depending on the level of danger. These rules will be the first of their kind when they are approved. The serve as a model of the passed of the serve as a model of t

Artificial intelligence (AI) is quickly redefining how we interact with technology and becoming a fundamental component of our daily life. AI has the potential to significantly alter a number of industries, including healthcare, education, agriculture, and governance in India as well as the rest of the world. Although AI has a lot of potential, it also has significant societal, legal, and ethical implications. Artificial intelligence (AI), by enhancing the quality of life for citizens and increasing productivity, has the potential to completely transform India's economy, healthcare system, educational system, and governance. However, the unchecked spread of AI technologies poses a serious risk to accountability, ethics, privacy, and security. Even while AI has a great deal of goodwill potential, it is vital to make sure that its creation and application respect moral standards, uphold individual rights, and give citizens' welfare top priority. Comprehensive rules that address the problems presented by AI can help achieve this. AI all parties, including individuals, companies, and the government,

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⁹ Kambhampati, Subbarao and Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence, editors. *Proceedings of the Twenty-Fifth International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence: New York, NY, USA, 9-15 July 2016. Volume 1.* AAAI Press/International Joint Conferences on Artificial Intelligence, 2016.

¹⁰ Wankhede, A. 'Data Protection in India and the EU': European Data Protection Law Review, vol. 2, no. 1, 2016, pp. 70–79. DOI.org (Crossref), https://doi.org/10.21552/EDPL/2016/1/8.

¹¹ Chadha, Anisha. 'Digital Data Protection & Privacy'. SSRN Electronic Journal, 2021. DOI.org (Crossref), https://doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.3899815.

¹² Anderson, Jedidiah, et al. 'Nothing to Hide, Nothing to Fear? Tools and Suggestions for Digital Data Protection'. *The Qualitative Report*, May 2018. *DOI.org (Crossref)*, https://doi.org/10.46743/2160-3715/2018.3328.

¹³ Anderson J, Skare E and Dorroll C, 'Nothing to Hide, Nothing to Fear? Tools and Suggestions for Digital Data Protection' [2018] The Qualitative Report https://nsuworks.nova.edu/tqr/vol23/iss5/14/ accessed 19 October 2023.

¹⁴ AK, 'The Digital Personal Data Protection Bill 2022 in Contrast with the EU General Data Protection Regulation: A Comparative Analysis' (2023) 5 International Journal For Multidisciplinary Research 2534 <https://www.ijfmr.com/research-paper.php?id=2534> accessed 19 October 2023.

should have their interests protected by these regulations. India can benefit from the capabilities of AI while ensuring that its development and deployment are in line with ethical standards by enacting sensible and appropriate rules.¹⁵ As a result, the nation may be able to position itself as a global leader in the development of AI. Moreover, India can fully use AI, spur sustainable economic growth, and advance social progress by fostering a peaceful coexistence between humanity and AI.¹⁶ This essay examines the strong arguments in favour of artificial intelligence regulation in India and suggests possible regulatory frameworks.

II. REASONS WHY AI NEEDS TO BE REGULATED

Artificial Intelligence voice frauds

Scammers are using artificial intelligence more and more to make complex and convincing phone scams. These schemes use AI technology to copy voices, even those of friends and relatives, which has increased losses from fraud. The Federal Trade Commission estimates that Americans lost close to \$9 billion to fraud last year, a notable rise of more than 150% in only two years.

Victims have experienced emotional discomfort as a result of frauds using AI-generated voices. According to a McAfee survey, 69% of Indians find it difficult to tell the difference between a voice created by artificial intelligence and a human one. ¹⁷ Furthermore, nearly half of Indian individuals, or 47%, have directly encountered an AI voice fraud or know someone who has. The 25% average for the world is almost exactly doubled by this figure. This study, named "The Artificial Imposter," emphasises how common voice cloning is as a useful tool for hackers. ¹⁸

Speaking is an essential part of building trust since each person has a distinctive voice that is similar to a biometric fingerprint. According to the McAfee survey, 86% of Indian individuals share their speech data online or through recorded notes at least once a week, primarily through social media and voice messaging. Cybercriminals are now more likely to utilise voice cloning because to this trend of data sharing. The study also finds that 66% of Indian respondents would answer a voicemail or voice message claiming to be from a friend or

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Sengar SS, 'From Pixels to Policies: Analysing the Provisions and Navigating the Complexities and Development of the Digital Personal Data Protection Bill, 2023' [2023] SSRN Electronic Journal & https://www.ssrn.com/abstract=4536795> accessed 19 October 2023

Ramya Parthasarathy and Vijayendra Rao. 2017. Deliberative Democracy in India. World Bank Policy Research Working Paper (2017). Accessed October 27, 2017, documents.worldbank.org/curated/en/428681488809552560/pdf/WPS7995.pdf

¹⁸ Preslav Nakov and Hwee Tou Ng. 2012. Improving Statistical Machine Translation for a Resource-Poor Language Using Related Resource-Rich Languages. Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research 44 (2012), 179–222.

family member asking for financial support. If the communication purports to be from a parent (46%), partner or spouse (34%), or kid (12%), this tendency is very strong. The most common scam messages to receive a response claimed the sender had been a victim of robbery (70%), had been in a vehicle accident (69%), misplaced their phone or wallet (65%), or needed assistance when travelling overseas (62%).

People have recently been more selective about the stuff they read online due to worries about deep fakes and the spread of misinformation. According to the McAfee poll, 27% of Indian people now have less faith in social media, and 43% are concerned about the spread of false and misleading information.

The case for AI regulation heavily relies on the ethical aspect of AI applications. Unchecked AI systems may reinforce biases found in their training data, which might result in unfair employment, lending, or criminal justice decisions. Without adequate oversight, AI algorithms employed in hiring, for instance, may unfairly discriminate against certain demographic groups, adding to social inequity. Transparent ethical standards must be established in order to guarantee that AI deployment and development in India adhere to the values of transparency, justice, and respect for human rights.

Privacy Protection:

Data gathering and analysis have significantly increased as a result of the development of AI-powered technology. However, the lack of proper regulation puts personal data at danger since it might be used without the subjects' knowledge or consent. In order to guarantee that people have more control over their data, the Personal Data Protection Bill is a crucial step. A measure to protect privacy rights and permission requirements while employing AI systems is now being considered in India. Personal privacy is at risk from AI-powered surveillance systems like facial recognition and monitoring devices. These technologies continually track and identify people in a variety of venues, such as workplaces and public spaces. Concerns regarding people's ability to move about without being constantly watched are raised by this ongoing surveillance. Additionally, depending on their previous data, AI systems can forecast a person's behavior, preferences, and even future activities. However, there are issues regarding their accuracy and potential abuse, which might violate privacy, despite the fact that such predictions can be utilized for convenience and personalization.

Data Security:

AI systems frequently rely on enormous volumes of private data. These systems may be susceptible to malicious attacks if there aren't strong cyber security safeguards and data protection

procedures in place. To protect sensitive data from online risks, India will need to regulate AI and adopt and enforce strong data security standards. People's data is frequently used by AI systems for training and operation. the gathering and use of this data may jeopardize individual privacy without authorization. People might not completely comprehend how their information is utilized, shared, or the possible repercussions of doing so. AI system data may be shared, pooled, and merged with data from other databases to provide detailed profiles. since a result of the aggregation of data, people may be exposed to privacy hazards since a more indepth picture of their life than they are comfortable with may result.¹⁹

Accountability and Liability:

As AI systems grow more autonomous and sophisticated, concerns about responsibility and liability surface. Who is accountable if a crucial mistake is made by an AI system? Guidelines for creating accountability may be established in a controlled environment, ensuring that service providers, users, and developers all share responsible for AI's results. This increased legal certainty would offer a framework for settling conflicts and reducing risks. Because certain AI algorithms are dark boxes, it may be difficult to hold companies and developers responsible for privacy abuses. It can be difficult to determine who is in charge of these judgments and how AI systems arrive at them.

Financial Effects:

India is attempting to become a center for AI research and development on a worldwide scale. By providing a stable and moral AI environment, regulation might be considered as a method to increase trust and draw in investments. While upholding the fundamentals of ethical AI development, a clear regulatory framework may support innovation. Regulation of AI may potentially result in the creation of sector standards. These guidelines are essential for guaranteeing fairness, transparency, and interoperability amongst AI systems. For corporations and researchers, standardization can level the playing field, lowering the possibility of monopolistic behavior and fostering competition. Concerns regarding job displacement are raised by the technology's rapid growth in AI and automation. In order to ensure an equitable transition for workers whose employment may be disrupted by automation, regulations can be utilized to incentivize corporations to engage in retraining and up skilling programmes. With this strategy, India would be able to maximize the positive societal and economic effects of AI while minimizing any negative ones.

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¹⁹ Justo-Hanani R, 'The Politics of Artificial Intelligence Regulation and Governance Reform in the European Union' (2022) 55 Policy Sciences 137 <https://link.springer.com/10.1007/s11077-022-09452-8> accessed 19 October 2023

III. EXISTING REGULATIONS ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN INDIA

The 2018 Information Technology [Intermediaries Guidelines (Amendment) Rules) draught has through a rigorous review process, inviting feedback from many stakeholders and soliciting representations. Artificial intelligence (AI) and the functions of the intermediaries that integrate AI inside their ecosystems for various reasons are among the many comments that are taken into account in these talks. The government think tank NITI Aayog, which is tasked with developing long-term, strategic policies and programmes for the government and providing technical advice to the federal and state governments, has recently released a paper that promotes active engagement in AI across all industries.

The Union Ministry of Commerce and Industry established the Artificial Intelligence Task Force in August 2017. The primary goal of this task group was to integrate AI into political, legal, and economic thought processes with the overarching goal of making India a leading economy with a robust AI sector. Ten significant Indian industries where AI may have a significant impact were named in the task force's study, which was published in March 2018. Among the industries included on this list were manufacturing, financial technology (FinTech), agriculture, healthcare, assistive technology for the disabled, public utility services, retail, customer contacts, and education. The report's goal was to investigate how the government might use AI to address important societal concerns. One of the recommendations in the study was the establishment of a unique institution called the National Artificial Intelligence Mission. This goal was to provide a single organizational centre for AI-related projects in India.

The research did a good job of outlining the factors that would promote the widespread use of AI and identifying the government agencies and ministries that could support this expansion, but it fell short in addressing the ethical, social, and technological problems that come with AI technologies. When privacy and data protection were highlighted, the report didn't often go into great length on the unique data challenges that come with AI. For instance, the Task Force addressed the ethical and societal implications while acknowledging the challenges related to data sharing and third-party data access. It did not, however, adequately consider how historically biassed and prejudiced data-driven decision-making can still be. The likelihood that impoverished

²⁰ Chamberlain J, 'The Risk-Based Approach of the European Union's Proposed Artificial Intelligence Regulation: Some Comments from a Tort Law Perspective' (2023) 14 European Journal of Risk Regulation 1 <https://www.cambridge.org/core/product/identifier/S1867299X22000381/type/journal_article> accessed 19 October 2023

²¹ Krivokapic D, Zivkovic I and Nikolic A, 'Artificial Intelligence Regulation in the Areas of Data Protection, Information Security, and Anti-Discrimination in Western Balkan Economies', 2022 45th Jubilee International Convention on Information, Communication and Electronic Technology (MIPRO) (IEEE 2022) <https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/9803678/> accessed 19 October 2023

and marginalised people might suffer disproportionately from well-intentioned algorithmic algorithms was also not adequately investigated in the paper.

With the official launch of the Global Partnership on Artificial Intelligence (GPAI), India has proudly joined a coalition of powerful economies, including those of the United States, the United Kingdom, the European Union, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Mexico, New Zealand, South Korea, and Singapore. The GPAI is a global, multi-stakeholder project anchored on human rights, inclusivity, diversity, creativity, and economic growth that serves as a road map for the responsible advancement and application of AI.

In order to deploy AI initiatives across crucial sectors including education, agriculture, and healthcare, NITI Aayog has partnered with a number of top AI technology companies. Additionally, the Department of Telecommunication established an AI standardisation group to create various interface standards and provide the groundwork for India's AI industry. Transparency and encouraging growth are two characteristics of the overall regulatory strategy for AI. Whether it be in information technology, defence, fintech, or agriculture, the Indian government has actively embraced AI by investigating cutting-edge applications of AI-driven technologies.

NITI Aayog and Google partnered in early May 2018 to increase economic productivity in India. In order to help entrepreneurs who want to implement AI-based solutions into their business models, our alliance sought to offer training and support. In order to prepare critical sectors of the Indian economy for a digitalized future, NITI Aayog also inked a statement of intent with ABB India in late May 2018. This was done to take use of the possibilities of AI, big data, and connectivity.

The primary goal of a national AI strategy was defined by NITI Aayog in a discussion paper that was published in June 2018: using AI for economic growth, social development, and inclusive progress while also acting as a centre for rising and developing countries. The role of NITI Aayog included the deployment of AI solutions in addition to making policy recommendations. The National Strategy distinguished itself from past AI policy initiatives in two key areas, which is noteworthy. First, it acknowledged that, up until this point, the adoption of AI had mostly been driven by business interests and emphasised the significance of achieving a balance between financial benefit and the larger good. Second, it recognised that the benefit of AI applications across multiple industries is incremental rather than transformative.

Despite these admirable perspective changes, India's national AI strategy's analyses and suggestions had space for development. The paper identified five key areas where AI might have

a beneficial societal impact, calling on the government to take the lead in these areas. Education, agriculture, healthcare, smart cities and infrastructure, and smart mobility and transportation were among these sectors. The paper promoted the use of AI for surveillance applications, nevertheless, in the topic of smart cities. These applications included advanced surveillance systems that tracked people's movements and behaviours, AI systems that predicted crowd behaviour for crowd management, and social media intelligence platforms that supported public safety. Unfortunately, the report did not sufficiently address the drawbacks of surveillance on fundamental rights in the context of smart cities, such as accuracy and impartiality. Given India's current surveillance regime, which is insufficiently protected against the possible erosion of fundamental liberties by law enforcement officials, this is extremely problematic.

AI-based monitoring should be used sparingly and should be the exception rather than the rule. The paper advised finding and eliminating bias in data while acknowledging fairness as a concern in AI systems. It also stated that bias is inherent in data. However, the paper predominantly used a ceteris paribus approach, presuming that fairer outcomes might be obtained by identifying and minimising bias in datasets. The truth is that a biassed, uneven, discriminatory, and unfair world produces biassed statistics. Its restricted concentration on AI as a mathematical model as opposed to a socio-technical system is where this approach's weakness lies. Understanding and adjusting to the social milieu in which these systems work is essential if bias is to be reduced in these systems in an effective manner. Preventing discriminatory results should be the ultimate objective. As Eubanks rightly noted, unless automated decision-making tools are developed to eliminate systemic disparities, the use of such systems would only continue.

Regulatory organisations that focus on certain industries, like the Securities and Exchange Board of India, are also improving their capacity to track and examine social media content for signs of potential market manipulation. The use of AI technology is going to be essential for spotting market manipulation actions. A regulatory sandbox framework with well-defined boundaries and a set timetable has been introduced by the Reserve Bank of India in a similar vein. This framework gives the financial sector regulator the ability to provide the essential direction on regulatory issues, fostering effectiveness, risk management, and the development of fresh prospects for consumers. The regulatory sandbox is meant to make it easier to experiment with cutting-edge technologies like block chain, AI, and application programming interface services.

In addition, the National Association of Software and Service Companies worked with the Karnataka state government to launch a Centre of Excellence for Data Science and AI. This centre was the first of its kind, operating on a special public-private partnership model that was established with an investment of about INR 400 million. Its goal is to accelerate the growth of data science and AI on a national scale by supporting an environment that quickens progress in these areas.

The Gen AI Report

Copyrighted content for training AI models may or may not be used legally and honestly. Furthermore, even if AI is driven by human commands, the present intellectual property regulations might not be sufficient to handle works produced by AI. However, the Gen AI Report contends that laws controlling generative AI should, at the very least, give protection from damage to people first priority, in line with MeitY's overall strategy.²² These possible negative effects include invasions of privacy, violations of data protection laws, discrimination in service access, and exposure to inaccurate or misleading information. Infringements of intellectual property rights (IPR) may also constitute secondary kinds of harm.

IV. NEED FOR A ROBUST AI REGULATION IN INDIA

Artificial intelligence (AI) is developing as a revolutionary force across many industries, from healthcare to agriculture, from education to government, as India's digital environment experiences fast upheaval.²³ Despite the promise for innovation and increased efficiency, AI also poses significant ethical, societal, and legal questions. India's efforts to harness the potential of this great technology while safeguarding the rights, privacy, and security of its inhabitants have demonstrated the need for AI law in the country. AI systems are able to use past data often to make forecasts and make decisions on their own. These forecasts may unintentionally perpetuate the biases in the data.²⁴

Unchecked AI algorithms used in recruiting procedures, for example, may bias against specific groups or communities that are underrepresented, entrenching social injustices. The introduction of legislation in the field of AI would make it simpler to establish moral norms to promote fairness, transparency, and non-discrimination in AI applications.²⁵ AI significantly depends on data,

²² Deshpande S, 'Data Privacy in India Technical and Legal Perspective' [2023] SSRN Electronic Journal https://www.ssrn.com/abstract=4420148 accessed 19 October 2023.

²³ Jha, Himanshu. *Capturing Institutional Change: The Case of the Right to Information Act in India*. Edited by Rahul Mukherjee et al., 1st ed., Oxford University Press, 2021. *DOI.org* (*Crossref*), https://doi.org/10.1093/oso/9780190124786.001.0001.

²⁴ Dass, Shubham Kumar. 'Artificial Intelligence and Cyber Laws in India: Discovering Ways to Implement Regulation'. *SSRN Electronic Journal*, 2023. *DOI.org (Crossref)*, https://doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.4498970.

²⁵ Bondre A, Pathare S and Naslund JA, 'Protecting Mental Health Data Privacy in India: The Case of Data Linkage With Aadhaar' (2021) 9 Global Health: Science and Practice 467

particularly private and sensitive data. Data breaches and abuse might endanger people's privacy since India's data protection laws are weak. To guarantee that individuals have control over their data and that data breaches are kept to a minimum, a complete regulatory framework for AI should handle data privacy.

Freedom of speech and expression is recognised by Indian constitutional law as a fundamental right. The Indian Supreme Court has declared that this freedom encompasses the right to information access and has frequently defended it as a fundamental component of a strong democracy.²⁶ The emergence of AI technology has a significant influence on freedom of expression because to the growing reliance on these systems for online content control and their increasing incorporation into daily life, from smart assistants to predictive text on mobile devices.

AI is being promoted by both governments and internet companies as a solution to complex issues like online misinformation, violent extremism, and hate speech. However, there are issues with this trend, mostly because machine learning algorithms have trouble grasping tone and context. Automated content removal powered by artificial intelligence (AI) raises the risk of overzealous censoring, which might result in the suppression of morally acceptable expression. This risk is heightened by the fact that private companies typically carry out such removal unilaterally and sporadically under government mandates.

AI-driven surveillance not only compromises privacy but also restricts the right to free expression. As AI-driven surveillance blurs the distinction between the private and public worlds, people are motivated to self-censor because they are unaware of the implications and effects of their speech.

More often, sentiment analysis technologies are employed to assess the content and style of online speech, and they are typically set up to do automatic content removal. As was previously mentioned, the Indian government has expressed interest in employing AI for sentiment analysis, identifying fake news, and enhancing India's reputation on various online platforms. The Limitations of content policing driven by AI on private platforms are compounded when comparable attempts are done by governmental organisations.

The current Indian legal rules must be taken into account when looking for AI solutions, especially by governmental entities. With the help of this paradigm, it is possible to understand methodically how bias, discrimination, monitoring, and profiling could manifest themselves in a machine learning system. The factors mentioned above are relevant to many different circumstances and sectors

http://www.ghspjournal.org/lookup/doi/10.9745/GHSP-D 20-00346 accessed 19 October 2023

²⁶ Wilson B, 'Data Privacy in India: The Information Technology Act' [2010] SSRN Electronic Journal https://www.ssrn.com/abstract=3323479 accessed 19 October 2023.

The data protection laws in India do not address the legal issues surrounding surveillance that already afflict India, and it says nothing at all about the accountability and openness of intelligence services. The legal framework foresees unrestricted State processing of both sensitive personal data and personal data, and at the same time, the State is deploying AI applications that carry out surveillance and profiling, effectively giving them free rein in this regard. As a result, the privacy implications of AI applications are systemically poised to be adverse in some senses.

V. CONCLUSION

Government oversight may increase public trust in AI systems. By demonstrating the proactive steps the government is taking to address the dangers and challenges posed by AI, India can instill a sense of security and confidence among its citizens. This trust is essential to ensuring that the public embraces AI technologies and actively participates in their development and use. By incorporating AI into its legal system, the Indian government may usher in a new era of inclusive economic prosperity. A few of the sectors that can be transformed by AI-driven automation, making them more efficient and accessible to all, include manufacturing, healthcare, education, and agriculture. The government must ensure that job creation and skill development are prioritised in AI initiatives in order to avert any unfavourable economic imbalances. In order to bridge the divide between urban and rural regions and ensure that economic opportunities are available across the whole country, India may employ AI to harness the power of technology. Since AI is developing at an unprecedented rate, India is presented with both possibilities and challenges. If we want to gain the benefits of AI while limiting its risks, comprehensive regulation of the technology is urgently required. The present legal system is unable to handle the difficulties posed by AI, especially those related to cybersecurity, ethics, data protection, and responsibility. India has to research prior international precedents and develop AI-specific laws that support innovation, uphold individual rights, and ensure responsible AI use. By adopting AI regulations, India may set the way for a future in which AI not only helps scientific progress but also upholds ethical values and inclusion. India cannot afford to ignore this moral and ethical imperative in a world where AI is having a growing impact. It is not simply essential, but. Artificial intelligence (AI) is quickly becoming a reality in our day-to-day lives and is no longer simply a sci-fi idea.

As India enters the digital era, the significance of artificial intelligence is obvious. However, this technological transformation raises significant ethical and governmental concerns. The fact that India's current legal framework is insufficient to address the unique issues that AI brings highlights the urgent need for comprehensive AI legislation in the country. A wide range of industries, including healthcare, education, transportation, and agriculture, are impacted by the pervasiveness

of AI technology. AI has enormous potential to foster innovation, economic growth, and social progress in India. However, this promise comes with a variety of challenges and concerns that want regulatory consideration. The present legal system is unable to keep up with the increasing complexity of AI-powered systems.
