

PRIVACY POLICY

India AI Impact Platform

AI for All: Global Impact Challenge

This Privacy Policy describes how the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India, through the IndiaAI Mission ("we", "our", "us") collects, uses, discloses, and protects your personal information in relation to the use of the IndiaAI Impact platform (<https://impact.indiaai.gov.in>) and participation in the AI for All: Global Impact Challenge and associated programs of the India AI Impact Summit 2026.

By using this platform or registering for our challenges and services, you agree to this Privacy Policy. If you do not agree, please do not use this platform or our services. All personal data collected from participants will be handled, stored, and processed in strict accordance with the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023 (DPDPA), and other applicable laws and regulations enforced in India.

1. Information We Collect

We may collect the following types of information from users and participants:

a) Personal Information

When you register or use the IndiaAI Impact platform, we may collect:

- Full Name
- Email address
- Phone number / Mobile number
- Organization / Institution / Company name
- Designation / Position
- Area of expertise / Field of interest
- City, State, Country of residence
- Professional affiliations
- Educational qualifications and certifications
- Team member details (for team submissions)
- AI solution/project details and descriptions
- Technical documentation and prototype information
- Photographs and videos (taken during events and summit activities)
- Government-issued identification (for verification purposes, where applicable)
- Payment information (for prize disbursement or reimbursements, if applicable)

b) Non-Personal Information

This may include:

- Session attendance records and event participation data
- Usage patterns and activity logs on the platform
- Feedback and survey responses
- Device information and browser analytics data
- IP addresses and location data (for security and analytics)
- General demographic information for statistical analysis
- Challenge submission metadata and timestamps

This data is used for challenge management, event organization, service improvement, platform analytics, and enhancing user experience.

2. How We Use Your Information

We use your information for:

- Processing registration and authentication for challenges (AI for All, AI by HER, YUVAi)
- Evaluating and judging challenge submissions
- Communication regarding updates, schedules, shortlisting, and important announcements
- Providing services and features within the platform
- Facilitating networking and collaboration opportunities with mentors, investors, and partners
- Organizing India AI Impact Summit 2026 activities and related events
- Sending newsletters, updates, and promotional materials (with your consent)
- Creating reports, analytics, and AI Innovation Compendium publications
- Improving our services, platform functionality, and user experience
- Processing prize disbursement, travel support, and reimbursements
- Legal compliance, security monitoring, and administrative requirements
- Connecting finalists with cloud/compute credits, accelerator programs, and mentorship opportunities

3. Sharing of Your Information

We do not sell or rent your personal data to third parties. However, we may share data with:

- IndiaAI Mission team and MeitY officials involved in challenge evaluation and event management
- Partner organizations including Startup India (DPIIT), NITI Aayog Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP), and Digital India BHASHINI Division
- Event management partners, venue operators (Bharat Mandapam), and logistics service providers

- Expert evaluators, judges, mentors, and jury members for submission assessment
- Media partners for summit coverage and promotional activities (with prior consent)
- Cloud computing partners and technology sponsors providing credits to participants
- Government authorities, regulatory bodies, or law enforcement, if required by law
- International collaborators and Global South partners for cross-border AI initiatives

All third-party partners are required to handle your data securely and in compliance with the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023 and other applicable Indian laws.

4. Photography, Videography, and Media Consent

The India AI Impact Summit 2026 and related events may be documented through photographs and videos for:

- Documentation and archival purposes
- Promotional materials and marketing communications
- Publications, reports, and AI Innovation Compendium
- Media coverage and press releases
- Social media platforms and digital channels
- Future IndiaAI Mission promotional activities

By participating in the Summit or related events, you consent to being photographed or recorded during public sessions, unless you explicitly opt out by notifying us in writing at the contact details provided below.

5. Your Rights and Choices

In accordance with the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023 and applicable data protection laws, you have the right to:

- Request access to your personal data held by us
- Request correction or updating of inaccurate personal data
- Request erasure or deletion of your personal data
- Withdraw consent at any time (where processing is based on consent)
- Object to processing for marketing purposes
- Request data portability in a structured, machine-readable format
- Nominate an individual to exercise your rights in the event of your death or incapacity
- Lodge a complaint with the Data Protection Board of India

To exercise any of these rights, please contact us at:

Email: impact-summit@indiaai.gov.in

Subject Line: Privacy Rights - IndiaAI Impact Platform

6. Data Retention

We retain your personal data:

- For the duration of your participation in challenges and use of our services
- For a period of three (3) years after the conclusion of the India AI Impact Summit 2026 for archival, reporting, and follow-up purposes
- As required by applicable Indian law and regulations
- For legitimate business purposes such as dispute resolution and legal compliance

After the retention period, your data will be securely deleted or anonymized in accordance with applicable data protection standards.

7. Data Security

We implement appropriate physical, technical, and administrative security measures to protect your personal information from unauthorized access, alteration, disclosure, or destruction, in compliance with the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023, Information Technology Act, 2000, and applicable industry standards.

However, no data transmission or storage system can be guaranteed to be 100% secure. Users are responsible for safeguarding any credentials, login information, or access tokens provided to them. Please notify us immediately if you suspect any unauthorized access to your account.

8. Account Deletion

You have the right to request deletion of your account and associated data at any time. To delete your account:

- Use the in-app account deletion feature under Settings (if available)
- Send an email to impact-summit@indiaai.gov.in with subject line "Account Deletion Request"
- Contact the IndiaAI Mission team at fellow3.gpai-india@meity.gov.in

Upon receiving a valid request, we will delete your account and personal data within thirty (30) days, except for data we are required to retain by law or for legitimate archival purposes.

9. Children's Privacy

The AI for All: Global Impact Challenge is open to students, researchers, professionals, and organizations. For the YUVAi: Global Youth Challenge, which is specifically

designed for participants aged 13 to 21 years, we collect personal data in accordance with applicable laws.

For participants under the age of 18, we require verifiable parental or guardian consent before collecting and processing personal data. Parents or guardians may contact us to review, modify, or request deletion of their child's personal information. The Act prohibits processing that is detrimental to the well-being of children or involves tracking, behavioral monitoring, or targeted advertising directed at children.

10. International Data Transfers

As a global challenge open to participants from countries worldwide, your information may be transferred and processed in India. When personal data is transferred from outside India to India for the purposes of the challenge and Summit, we ensure compliance with the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023 and applicable international data transfer regulations.

Participants from the Global South and other international regions should note that by participating in the challenge, they consent to the transfer of their personal data to India for processing in accordance with this Privacy Policy.

11. Cookies and Tracking Technologies

The IndiaAI Impact platform may use cookies and similar tracking technologies to enhance your browsing experience, analyze usage patterns, and improve our services. You can control cookie preferences through your browser settings. However, disabling certain cookies may affect the functionality of the platform.

12. Third-Party Links

The platform may contain links to external websites operated by third parties. We are not responsible for the privacy practices or content of such external sites. We encourage you to review the privacy policies of any third-party websites you visit.

13. Changes to This Policy

We may update this Privacy Policy from time to time to reflect changes in our practices, legal requirements, or operational needs. Any changes will be posted on this page with a revised "Effective Date." We encourage you to review this policy periodically. Continued use of the platform after any changes constitutes acceptance of the updated Privacy Policy.

14. Grievance Redressal

In accordance with the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023, if you have any grievances regarding the processing of your personal data, you may contact our Grievance Officer. We will acknowledge your grievance within 48 hours and endeavor to resolve it within 30 days.

If you are not satisfied with our response, you may lodge a complaint with the Data Protection Board of India as established under the DPDPA.

15. Contact Information

For any questions, concerns, or requests regarding this Privacy Policy or your personal data, please contact:

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Website	https://impact.indiaai.gov.in

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