

## National e-Governance Division

### Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology

#### PressNote

- **Digital India Talk Show organised at Swami Vivekanand Subharti University, Meerut**
- **Interactive Talk Show engages 500+ students on Digital Public Infrastructure and Emerging Technologies**

**Meerut, April 13, 2026:** As part of its efforts to promote digital awareness and literacy among the youth, National e-Governance Division, MeitY conducted a **Digital India Talk Show and Interactive Session** at the **Swami Vivekanand Subharti University, Meerut**.

The event brought together over 500 students and faculty members, creating a vibrant platform for dialogue on India's fast-evolving digital ecosystem and the opportunities it presents for innovation, governance and citizen empowerment.

The programme began with a welcome address by **Prof. (Dr.) Ritesh Chaudhary, HoD, Department of Journalism and Mass Communication**, who highlighted the importance of equipping students with digital knowledge and skills to actively contribute to India's technology-driven growth and digital future.

The event was graced by eminent university leadership and faculty members including **Prof. (Dr.) P. K. Sharma, Vice Chancellor; Prof. (Dr.) Shalya Raj, CEO; Dr. Syed Zafar Hussain, Registrar (O&O); GP Capt. M Yakoob, Registrar; Prof. (Dr.) Pintoo Mishra, Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts and Prof. (Dr.) Manoj Kapil, Dean, SITE**. Their presence underscored the university's strong commitment to advancing digital education and aligning academia with national digital transformation goals.

Setting the context for the session, **Shri Sarwesh Kumar**, Deputy General Manager, National e-Governance Division (NeGD), highlighted the transformative impact of the Digital India programme in enhancing digital service delivery and governance. He introduced key Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) platforms such as DigiLocker, API Setu, MeriPehchaan and UMANG, encouraging students to leverage these platforms to build innovative, technology-driven solutions.

The Talk Show featured a series of informative and engaging sessions led by the following domain experts:

- **Shri Jai Talwar** gave presentations on DigiLocker and Entity Locker, showcasing their role in secure and paperless document management

- **Shri Abhishek Deb** provided insights into the Academic Bank of Credits (ABC), National Academic Depository (NAD) and APAAR ID, highlighting their significance in modernising academic records
- **Shri Soumavo Majumder** addressed key aspects of cybersecurity and the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023, stressing the importance of data privacy and responsible digital behaviour
- **Shri Sarwesh Kumar** also explained the UMANG platform and the myScheme portal, that are enabling simplified access to a wide range of government services and schemes

The sessions witnessed enthusiastic participation, with students actively engaging in discussions and raising insightful queries, making the interaction dynamic and impactful.

Adding an element of engagement and learning, a **Digital India Quiz** was conducted by the Awareness & Communication (A&C) Division of NeGD. The event concluded with a **Prize Distribution Ceremony**, celebrating student participation.

The programme concluded with a formal Vote of Thanks delivered by **Prof. (Dr.) Manoj Kapil, Dean, SITE**, expressing gratitude to the organisers, speakers and participants for making the sessions educative, absorbing and participative.

The Digital India Talk Show initiative continues to serve as an important platform for building awareness, enhancing digital literacy, and inspiring youth to contribute to India's digital transformation journey.

The event was conceptualized, coordinated and executed by the Awareness & Communication (A&C) team of NeGD, including Ms. Shivani Kapil, Ms. Ridhi Jain, Mr. Hanuman Prasad Verma and Mr. Kamal Kumar ensuring effective coordination, outreach and seamless delivery of the programme.

