

## National e-Governance Division

### Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology

#### Press Note

- **Digital India Talk Show organised at Ajeenkya DY Patil University, Pune**
- **Interactive Talk Show engages 350+ Students and Faculty members on Digital Public Infrastructure and Emerging Technologies**

**Pune, April 27, 2026:** As part of its continued efforts to promote digital awareness and literacy among youth, the National e-Governance Division, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology conducted a *Digital India Talk Show and Interactive Session* at Ajeenkya DY Patil University, Pune.

The event brought together more than 350 students and faculty members, creating a dynamic platform for discussions on India's rapidly evolving digital ecosystem, Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) and opportunities for innovation and citizen-centric governance.

The programme commenced with an introduction by **Dr. Prashant Kumbharkar, Dean, School of Engineering. Dr. Rakeshkumar Jain, Vice Chancellor, Ajeenkya DY Patil University** welcomes all the participants, emphasizing the importance of digital empowerment and the role of academia in shaping a digitally सक्षम future.

The event was also graced by eminent university leadership and faculty members including **Dr. Sunil Ingole, Dean, Academics; Dr. Santosh Borde, Director, Students Progression and Corporate Relations; Dr. Deepa Joshi, Dean-IQAC, Dr. Anant More, HOD, Electronics and Computer Engineering** and at least **40 other Associate /Assistant Professors & faculty members from the School of Engineering**. Their presence underscored the university's strong commitment to advancing digital education and aligning academia with national digital transformation goals.

**Shri Ajay Kumar, from NeGD** set the context by highlighting the transformative impact of the Digital India programme. He elaborated on how DPI platforms are revolutionising service delivery and enabling inclusive governance. The Digital India Talk Show featured a series of insightful and engaging sessions led by domain experts:

- **Shri Ajay Kumar** presented on DigiLocker and Entity Locker, demonstrating their role in enabling secure, paperless governance

- **Shri Ajeet Kumar** delivered sessions on API Setu, MeriPehchaan and UX4G, focusing on seamless digital integration and user-centric design. He further elaborated on UMANG and the myScheme portal, showcasing how citizens can access multiple government services through a unified platform
- **Shri Soumavo Majumder** spoke on cybersecurity and the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023, highlighting the importance of responsible digital behaviour and data privacy

The sessions witnessed active participation from students, with engaging discussions and thoughtful queries contributing to a highly interactive learning environment. Adding an element of enthusiasm and knowledge testing, a *Digital India Quiz* was conducted by the Awareness & Communication (A&C) Division of NeGD, encouraging students to apply their understanding of digital platforms and initiatives.

The event concluded with a Prize Distribution Ceremony and group photograph followed by a Vote of Thanks delivered by **Dr. Anant More, HOD, Electronics and Computer Engineering**, expressing appreciation to the organisers, speakers and participants for making the event impactful and engaging. The Digital India Talk Show initiative continues to serve as a significant platform for building awareness, enhancing digital literacy and inspiring youth to actively participate in India's digital transformation journey.

The programme was conceptualized, coordinated and executed by the Awareness & Communication (A&C) Division of NeGD, ensuring seamless delivery and effective outreach.

