



National Institute of Smart Government (NISG)

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Punjab's Mahatma Gandhi State Institute of Public Administration (MGSIPA) and the National Institute of Smart Government (NISG) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for capacity building on e-government services in the State.

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- NISG is a **not-for-profit company** set up in a **Public-Private-Partnership (PPP)** under the recommendations of the **National Taskforce on Information Technology and Software Development**, with 51% equity contributed by the private sector and 49% by the public sector.
- NISG was registered as a Section 25 company in 2002 with its headquarters at **Hyderabad**.
- **Important Stakeholders:** NASSCOM, Government of India, Andhra Pradesh, IL&FS, Chhattisgarh, Meghalaya and Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation.
- The main idea behind setting up NISG was the revolution in Information and Communication Technologies which necessitates the government to keep up with the changing environment and revolutionize the way the Government interacts with citizens and business entities.
- **Initiatives**
 - **eGov Knowledge Exchange:** An initiative to develop, collate, and publish rich, relevant and authentic knowledge on e-Governance, mostly from India.
The portal brings together the learnings and policy guidelines on the projects envisaged under the **National e-Governance Plan (NeGP)**, and other initiatives taken by various Governments at National and State level in India.
 - NISG has proposed to issue a digital Indian rupee (Central Bank Digital Rupee (CBDR), in its draft National Strategy on Blockchain.

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