

AI Readiness Assessment Methodology (RAM)

Why in news?

Recently, UNESCO and the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) jointly hosted the 5th and final stakeholder consultation on the AI Readiness Assessment Methodology (RAM).

- **AI Readiness Assessment Methodology (RAM)** - It is a diagnostic tool by UNESCO to assess a country's preparedness for ethical and responsible AI adoption.
- It is conducted by an independent research organization supported by a national team comprising UNESCO, government bodies, academia, civil society, and private sector.
- Key Dimensions Assessed include,
 - Legal & regulatory
 - Social & cultural
 - Economic
 - Scientific & educational
 - Technological & infrastructural
- **Approach** - It combines quantitative and qualitative indicators, customized to each country's context.
- **Purpose:**
 - It identifies strengths and gaps,
 - Guides policy development
 - Promotes inclusive, safe, and trustworthy AI
- It also aims to support ethical, inclusive, and safe adoption of AI tailored to India's context.
- It includes quantitative and qualitative indicators beyond existing tools.
- It will help frame India-specific AI policy roadmap.
- **Significance to India** - It supports the India AI Mission by:
 - Creating a balanced, pro-innovation policy roadmap
 - Building Safe and Trusted AI systems
 - Promoting governance frameworks, youth participation, and AI education
 - Translates UNESCO's Global AI Ethics Recommendations into India-specific actionable policies.

IndiaAI Mission focus on promoting indigenous frameworks, self-assessment, governance tools, provide support to companies building foundation models, and funding for responsible AI projects.

Reference

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