

## Rural Internal Audit Portal

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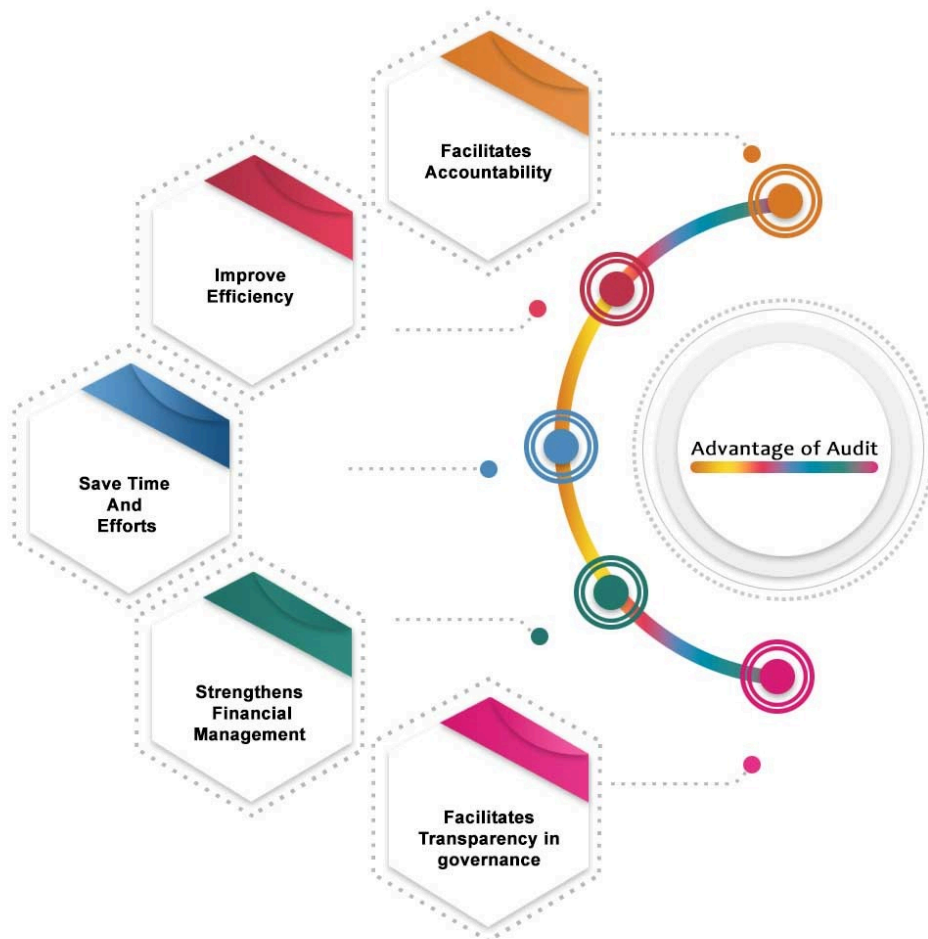
### Why in News?

Ahead of the implementation of the Viksit Bharat - Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin), Union Rural Development Ministry has launched 'Rural Internal Audit Portal' during the Rashtriya Gramin Vikas Sammelan.

- **Rural Internal Audit Portal** - It is one of the generic and open source applications developed to facilitate recording details for Internal Audit as per the defined process.
- **Aim** - To streamline the internal audit process for rural development programs, improving efficiency, accuracy, and transparency.
- **Developed By** - Conceived by the Office of the Chief Controller of Accounts (CCA), Ministry of Rural Development, and developed with the collaboration of National Informatics Centre (NIC).

### Key Features of the Portal

- **AI based Unified Platform** - It is an AI-enabled unified digital platform for end-to-end management of internal audits covering both risk-based and compliance audits.
- **Digital Transformation** - The portal has transformed internal audit from a fragmented, paper-intensive, and largely manual exercise into a transparent, technology-enabled, and data-driven management system.
- **Audit Workflow** -
  - Identification of audit units
  - Preparation of audit engagement
  - Sending audit memos
  - Recording observations
  - Creating audit reports
  - Submitting action taken reports
- **Transparency** - It is designed to reduce irregularities like fake muster rolls, misuse of funds, and poor documentation.
- **Efficiency** - It automates audit processes, saving time for auditors and program managers.
- **Accessibility** - It caters to the needs of auditors, program managers, and other stakeholders across states.



## References

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