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ES-1 Social Issues

creating a fully inclusive and accessible India depends on innovative technology and ICT. 'Analyse'.

Inclusive society is essential for enjoying same economical, social & cultural life as that of non-disabled persons

Need for Inclusive Cities

1. Rapidly urbanizing India estimated that India may rise 4 new metropolis by 2030, with urban population reaching >675mn
2. number of persons with disability as of 2011 census is 8mn, which will increase as share of population due to climate risks, disasters, demographic change.

Inclusive & Accessible India

with 'middle class digital governance'.
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'dynamic technological'

Innovative & resilient cities can be made.

Issue.

Innovative solution for Inclusivity
could not be profitable for private sector.

Information communication technology -
as panacea

1. National Institute of urban affairs
United Nations → 2022 - 'smart solution
challenge'. Inclusive cities awards →
crowd-sourced innovative ideas & solutions
for inclusive society

case study.

2. Smart city → Bhubaneswar, Odisha →
Inclusive & resilient mobility infrastructure
for the vulnerable sections

Assistive solutions like Fifth Sense,
my UDAAN etc, could help the independent
living persons with disability

What Government of India has had done?

q one of 920 initiatives $\Rightarrow$ Smart Startup 20 engagement, MeitY's 'Digital Innovation Alliance' + Smart tech engagement 20, $\rightarrow$ 'catalysing digital web future'.

These platforms - could provide an enabling ecosystem for private enterprises, for providing innovative inclusive solutions.

Way forward

Apart from this, behavioural change capacity building, accessible infrastructure, etc., need to be incorporated in policies along with frontier technologies like Artificial intelligence, for a Inclusive Safe, resilient, sustainable India at Amrit Kaal. (2047)