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Ministry of Electronics, and Information Technology, MeitY, has established India AI Independent Business Division (India AI) under Digital India Corporation for implementing the India AI mission. The India AI Mission aims to create a robust ecosystem that accelerates AI innovation through strategic initiatives and collaborations spanning both public and private domains. By democratizing access to computing resources, enhancing data quality, nurturing homegrown AI expertise, attracting top talent, fostering industry partnerships, supporting startup ventures, promoting socially impactful AI projects, and emphasizing ethical practices, the mission seeks to foster responsible and inclusive growth within India's AI landscape. Government of India has recently approved the IndiaAI Mission to democratize access to AI innovation pillars and ensure global competitiveness of India's AI ecosystem catalyzing AI innovation through strategic programs and partnerships across the public and private sectors. By democratizing computing access, improving data quality, developing indigenous AI capabilities, attracting top AI talent, enabling industry collaboration, providing startup risk capital, ensuring socially impactful AI projects and bolstering ethical AI, it will drive responsible, inclusive growth of India's AI ecosystem.

India AI is currently inviting applications for the below position purely on Contract/ Consolidated basis.

Sr.No	Name of the Post	No. of Positions
1.	Director – IndiaAI Safety Institute	1

The place of posting shall be in New Delhi but transferable to project locations of IndiaAI as per existing policy of IndiaAI.

The details can be downloaded from the official website of DIC, NeGD&MeitY, viz. www.dic.gov.in, www.negd.gov.in and www.meity.gov.in

Eligible candidates may apply ONLINE: <https://ora.digitalindiacorporation.in/>

Last date for submission of application: **02.06.2026**

About India AI

The IndiaAI Mission aims to build a comprehensive ecosystem that fosters AI innovation by democratizing computing access, enhancing data quality, developing indigenous AI capabilities, attracting top AI talent, enabling industry collaboration, providing startup risk capital, ensuring socially impactful AI projects, and promoting ethical AI. This mission drives responsible and inclusive growth of India's AI ecosystem through seven pillars.

About DIC

The Digital India Corporation (formerly Media Lab Asia) has been set up by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India, to innovate, develop and deploy ICT and other emerging technologies for the benefit of the common man. Digital India Corporation plays the role of a leader in promoting e-Governance by taking forward the projects and activities of the Digital India Programme, to facilitate its stakeholders to realise its goals. It also provides strategic support to Ministries & Departments, both at the Central and State level for carrying forward the mission of the Digital India Programme by way of Capacity Building for e-Governance projects, promoting best practices, encouraging Public-Private Partnerships (PPP), nurturing innovation and technology in various domains. Digital India Corporation has several Independent Business Divisions under it and these include NeGD, MyGov, Bhashini, ISM, IndiaAI and MSH.

More details can be seen at <https://dic.gov.in/>

Job Description: Director – IndiaAI Safety Institute

Project	:	IndiaAI
Number of Position	:	1
Reporting to	:	COO- IndiaAI
Place of Posting	:	New Delhi

About the Role

The **Director, IndiaAI Safety Institute** will provide strategic leadership and oversee all activities of the Institute under the Safe & Trusted AI pillar of the IndiaAI Mission. The role encompasses leadership of science-based and indigenous AI safety research, evaluation of AI systems, development of technical tools, guidelines, frameworks and standards contextualized to India's unique needs, and management of the Institute's Hub and Spoke model of stakeholder engagement. The role will engage with academia, startups, industry, civil society and government ministries/departments to ensure that AI in India is developed, deployed, and adopted in a safe, secure, inclusive and trustworthy manner, protecting Indian citizens from harm arising from the use of AI.

A. Roles and Responsibilities

- Provide overall strategic direction, leadership and oversight for the IndiaAI Safety Institute, including finalisation of its scope of work.
- Lead and operationalize the Institute's Hub and Spoke model by establishing and managing structured partnerships with academia, startups, industry, civil society and relevant government ministries and departments.
- Direct the development of technical tools, guidelines, frameworks, commitments and standards for AI safety that are contextualized to India's unique challenges and opportunities, including the needs of the developing world.
- Oversee design and execution of AI model evaluation, red-teaming and risk assessment programmes to assess the safety, security and trustworthiness of AI systems developed and deployed in India.
- Commission and guide indigenous research on AI safety, with a focus on approaches relevant to India's social, economic, cultural, and linguistic contexts.
- Facilitate coordination across all pillars of the IndiaAI Mission to integrate safety and trust considerations into computing, models, data, innovation, and skilling programmes.
- Represent IndiaAI Safety Institute at national and international forums, conferences and multilateral engagements.
- Build institutional capacity by recruiting, mentoring and developing a high-quality multidisciplinary team of researchers, engineers, and policy specialists under the Institute.
- Monitor progress against approved milestones and deliverables, and place issues, risks or deviations before the competent authority for appropriate action.
- Monitor emerging AI safety risks and developments globally and provide timely advisories and strategic recommendations to the Competent Authority(s).
- Review implementation processes from time to time and suggest improvements based on experience and programme requirements.
- Submit periodic reports, programme updates and strategic inputs to senior leadership and oversight bodies.

B. Essential Qualifications

Education:

- Bachelor's degree in Engineering, Computer Science, Mathematics, Physics, or a related technical discipline from a recognized University / Institution recognized by UGC / Government of India.

- A Master's degree or Ph.D. in Computer Science, Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Public Policy, or a related discipline from a recognized institution is preferred.

C. Experience:

- Minimum 20 years of post-qualification experience in AI research, AI safety, technology policy, or related field, with at least 5 years in a senior leadership role.
- Demonstrated experience in any of the following: AI / ML research; AI safety and evaluation; technology policy formulation; management of large R&D or technology programmes in government, academia, or industry.

D. Desired Skills & Experience

- Prior research or policy experience in AI safety, AI alignment, model evaluation, responsible AI, or AI governance, including familiarity with current frontier model risks and mitigation strategies.
- Experience in designing or managing Hub and Spoke or consortium-based programme models involving multiple institutional partners across academia, industry, startups and government.
- Demonstrated interest or experience in developing AI safety approaches relevant to the developing world, including contextualization of global frameworks to India's unique socio-economic and technological environment.
- Experience in leading or contributing to national or international AI governance frameworks, standards bodies, or multilateral AI safety initiatives.
- Published research, policy papers or technical contributions in peer-reviewed journals, conferences, or white papers in areas relevant to AI safety, ethics, governance, or responsible AI.
- Strong network across the AI research community, technology industry, startups, civil society and the international AI safety ecosystem.
- Excellent communication, stakeholder management and representation skills, with experience engaging at senior government and international levels.
- Ability to bridge technical and policy domains and build consensus across diverse stakeholders including researchers, industry leaders, policymakers and civil society.

General Conditions applicable to all applicants covered under this advertisement:

1. Those candidates, who are already in regular or contractual employment under Central / State Government, Public Sector Undertakings or Autonomous Bodies, are expected to apply through proper channel or attach a 'No Objection Certificate' from the employer concerned with the application OR produce No Objection Certificate at the time of interview.
2. DIC/IndiaAI reserves the right to fill all or some or none of the positions advertised without assigning any reason as it deems fit.
3. The positions are purely temporary in nature for the project of DIC/IndiaAI and the appointees shall not derive any right or claim for permanent appointment at DIC/IndiaAI or on any vacancies existing or that shall be advertised for recruitment by Digital India Corporation in future.
4. DIC/IndiaAI reserves the right to terminate the appointments of all positions with a notice of one month or without any notice by paying one month's salary in lieu of the notice period.
5. Screening of applications will be based on qualifications and relevant experience. IndiaAI reserves the right to fix higher threshold of qualifications and experience for screening and limiting the number of candidates for interview.
6. Only shortlisted candidates shall be invited for interviews. India AI reserves the right to not to select any of the candidates without assigning any reason thereof.
7. The maximum age shall be as on the last date of receipt of the applications. Screening of applications will be based on qualifications, age academic record and relevant experience. The designation against the position shall be mapped as per the approved policy.
8. In case of a query, the following officer may be contacted.

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