

**Government of Tripura launches of Wi-Fi
Facility for 19 Government Colleges (Phase 1)**



Digital Tripura is an ambitious initiative by the Government of Tripura aimed at leveraging technology to enhance governance, improve public service delivery, and promote digital literacy throughout the state. The initiative focuses on implementing e-governance platforms to ensure transparency and accessibility for citizens, expanding digital infrastructure to support online education and services, and promoting capacity building programs to equip residents with essential digital skills.

As part of these initiatives, the Government of Tripura is making significant strides in enhancing the educational framework by implementing a secured and free Wi-Fi network across all government colleges. In collaboration with the Department of Higher Education, the Directorate of Information Technology aims to provide free internet access on campuses, enabling students to explore a wide range of educational resources and online content. This initiative creates a secure online environment, ensuring that students can safely access vital information for their academic pursuits. Additionally, college administrative staff, employees, students, and guests will have shared access to wireless network resources, supporting the Government of Tripura's mission of teaching, research, and outreach.

With a total investment of about Rs. 12.32 crore under the Scheme for Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment, this initiative is being executed in phased manner. The 1st (first phase) has successfully established a secured and free Wi-Fi network with a high-speed internet backbone (100 Mbps) in 19 government degree colleges, while the second phase aims to expand this connectivity to an additional 11 colleges. This systematic rollout ensures that each institution is adequately equipped to support digital learning and engagement.

Today on 21 October, 2024 Shri Pranajit Singha Roy, Hon'ble Minister IT, Finance, Planning & Coordination launched the free Wi-Fi facility for 19 Govt Colleges under phase I at Netaji Subhash Mahavidyalaya, Udaipur in august presence of Shri Ram Pada Jamatia, Hon'ble MLA, TLA, Shri Jeya Ragul Geshan B, Director, IT, Shri Tarit Kanti Chakma, DM & Collector Gomati, Shri Namit Pathak, SP Gomati, Shri Animesh Debbarma, Director, Higher Education, Shri Sital Chandra Majumder, Chairperson, Udaipur Municipal Council. Shri Sudhan Debnath, Principal, Netaji Subhash Mahavidyalaya, Udaipur. The launching event was organised by Directorate of Information Technology, Government of Tripura. In 19 colleges more than 55000 students are projected to be benefitted from this initiative.

Students of Netaji Subhas Mahavidyalaya, Udaipur was present in large numbers during the programme. Faculty members from Iswar Chandra Vidyasagar College, Belonia, South Tripura also attended the programme at the programme venue.

Faculty members and Students from MBB College Agartala and Women's College Agartala took part in a live interaction programme with Hon'ble IT Minister through video conferencing system.

Faculty members and Students from other colleges across Tripura attended the programme virtually without interaction facility, these colleges are- Ambedkar College, Fatikray. Tripura - Unakoti District, Government Degree College, Dharmanagar - North Tripura, Government Degree College, Longtharai Valley Dhalai District, Michael Madhusudan Datta College, Sabroom -South Tripura, Dasarath Deb Memorial College, Khowai District, Institute of Advanced Studies in Education, Kunjaban, Dist- West Tripura, Tripura Government Law College, Dist West Tripura, Swami Vivekananda Mahavidyalaya, Mohanpur, West Tripura, Sri Aurobindo Government Degree College. West Tripura, Govt. Degree College, Khumulwng, West Tripura, Bir Bikram Memorial College, Agartala, Dist- West Tripura, Government Degree College, Old Agartala, Dist- West Tripura, Ramthakur college, Agartala, Dist- West Tripura, Kabi Nazrul Mahavidyalaya, Sonamura Sepahijala District, Ravindranath Thakur Mahavidyalaya, Bishalgarh, Dist- Sepahijala.

The implementation of this Wi-Fi facility project is expected to have a transformative impact on education in Tripura. By fostering digital literacy and collaboration, the initiative empowers students to engage more deeply with their studies and develop essential skills for the future workforce. Furthermore, it addresses the digital divide, ensuring equitable access to technology for all students. Ultimately, this initiative aligns with the state's commitment to creating a more informed and digitally literate youth, paving the way for a brighter future.
