

REPORT

Digital Pragati Abhiyan – Suraksha, Shiksha aur Takneek

Empowering Every Citizen for a Safe and Smart Digital Future

Organized By

Association of All Computer Science Teachers (AACST)

in collaboration with

Hislop College, Nagpur

Under

Bharat Digital Suraksha & Shiksha Abhiyan (Bharat DSSA)

PROGRAM DETAILS

- **Phase 1:** 23 March 2026 – 18 April 2026
 - **Continuity:** Ongoing in phases
 - **Mode:** Offline
 - **Target Participants:** Citizens aged 16 years and above
 - Students
 - Families and Neighbourhoods
 - General Public
 - Senior Citizens
 - Small Business Owners
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PROGRAM LEADERSHIP

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EVENT OVERVIEW

The *Digital Pragati Abhiyan – Suraksha, Shiksha aur Takneek* is a flagship initiative under the Bharat Digital Suraksha & Shiksha Abhiyan (Bharat DSSA). It was implemented through a series of digital awareness workshops conducted across multiple locations in Nagpur.

The initiative aimed to strengthen digital literacy, enhance cyber safety awareness, and promote the responsible and ethical use of technology. It represents a significant step towards building a digitally informed, secure, and empowered society, enabling citizens to confidently participate in the digital ecosystem.

STUDENT DIGITAL AMBASSADORS

As part of this initiative, **14 Student Digital Ambassadors** from the Department of Computer Science at Hislop College, Nagpur, were trained to carry out community outreach and support grassroots digital awareness activities.

1. ABHISHAY ANIL DORLE
2. ABHISHEK YOGENDRA SONWANE
3. AMIT ANIL CHANDANKAR
4. GAURAV RAJENDRASINGH BISHT
5. HUPESH NETAJI SURYAWANSHI
6. MOHAMMAD ATIF MOHD MUSTAFA
7. MOHD FARHAN JAVED NAWAB ANSARI
8. PARTH PRADEEP BALAPURE
9. PRASHANTO PARTH MUKHERJEE
10. SAGAR SUKHDEV MOTGHARE
11. SAMMYEK SUNIL GAWALE
12. SUYASH DEVENDRA KHANTE
13. YASH CHANDRASHEKHAR FATING
14. MOHIT MADANLAL AGNIHOTRI

WORKSHOP IMPLEMENTATION

1. Planning and Topic Finalization

A core committee meeting comprising the Director, Bharat DSSA, **Dr. Abha Khandelwal**, and the Convener, **Ms. Rupa Rajakumari**, was held on **23 March 2026** to finalize the topics and execution plan for the initiative.

A team of 18 Student Digital Ambassadors (Semester IV) was selected for the program.

2. Training and Preparation

Topics were assigned on **24 March 2026**, followed by structured training sessions conducted from **25 March to 30 March 2026** in hybrid mode (online/offline) by the Convener, **Ms. Rupa Rajakumari**.

3. Feedback and Mentoring Sessions

First Feedback Session

The first feedback session was conducted on **2 April 2026** via Google Meet (5:45 PM – 8:15 PM) by the Convener, **Ms. Rupa Rajakumari**, where students presented their assigned topics and received constructive feedback. The Director, **Dr. Abha Khandelwal**, was invited to provide expert insights and valuable suggestions.

Intermediate Feedback Session

An intermediate feedback session was held on **4 April 2026** to review progress and suggest improvements for effective delivery. The Convener, **Ms. Rupa Rajakumari**, guided students with specific recommendations to enhance their presentation and communication skills.

Final Guidance and Report Preparation

Students were provided with guidelines for preparing comprehensive reports documenting their activities. The guidelines emphasized:

- Maintaining a clear and structured format
 - Including details of workshops and outreach activities
 - Documenting observations, learning outcomes, and feedback
 - Attaching photographic evidence wherever applicable
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COMMUNITY OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

a) Community Workshop – Civil Lines, Nagpur

- **Location:** A1 Building Lawn, Samruddhi Sankul
- **Date:** 7 April 2026
- **Time:** 4:30 PM – 6:15 PM

This session focused on providing practical understanding of digital tools and safe online practices. Participants were introduced to secure methods of digital payments and online shopping through step-by-step demonstrations. Emphasis was placed on identifying and preventing common cyber threats such as UPI frauds, OTP scams, and fraudulent websites.

The session witnessed active participation, particularly from individuals aged 45 to 78 years, reflecting a growing awareness among senior citizens to adopt digital technologies safely.

The workshop was highly appreciated by the participants for its practical demonstrations and valuable insights.

Student Digital Ambassadors actively supported the session by guiding participants and coordinating activities. The high level of engagement led the session to run beyond the scheduled 5:30 PM time and continue until 6:15 PM.

Special Contribution:

Ms. Anindita Kundu, Assistant Professor, Smt. Sadabai Raisoni Women's College, Nagpur, and Life Member of AACST, contributed to the initiative through her active participation.

b) Outreach: Families and Neighbourhoods

- **Dates:** 8 April – 12 April 2026
- **Time:** Evening Sessions

As part of the initiative, Student Digital Ambassadors conducted awareness sessions within their families and neighbourhoods, extending digital literacy to the grassroots level.

These sessions focused on safe digital practices, including secure online transactions, identification of fraudulent messages, and responsible use of digital technologies. Participants were also guided in adopting essential digital habits and, where required, assisted in registering for relevant courses.

This outreach enabled meaningful community engagement and enhanced confidence among individuals in using digital platforms safely and effectively.

c) Outreach: Students, Friends, and General Public

- **Dates:** 13 April – 18 April 2026
- **Time:** Flexible (Preferably Evening)

The outreach was further extended to students, peers, and members of the general public, including morning walkers (senior citizens).

Student Digital Ambassadors conducted interactive sessions focusing on cyber safety, demonstration of digital tools, and responsible use of technology through real-life examples and discussions.

OBJECTIVES

- To promote digital literacy among citizens
 - To enhance awareness of cyber safety
 - To encourage responsible and ethical use of technology
 - To equip communities with practical digital skills
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WORKSHOP CONTENT

The workshops addressed key areas such as:

- Digital payments and UPI usage
 - Safe practices for online shopping
 - Awareness of cyber frauds (OTP scams, phishing, identity theft)
 - Responsible use of Artificial Intelligence tools such as ChatGPT
 - Adoption of safe and secure digital habits
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KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- Community-oriented digital awareness initiative
 - Active participation of trained Student Digital Ambassadors
 - Practical demonstrations supported by real-life examples
 - Interactive sessions encouraging participant involvement
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LEARNING OUTCOMES

Participants gained the ability to:

- Perform digital transactions safely
 - Identify and avoid common cyber threats
 - Use digital platforms responsibly
 - Understand the role and limitations of AI tools
 - Practice safe digital behaviour in everyday life
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CONCLUSION

The *Digital Pragati Abhiyan – Suraksha, Shiksha aur Takneek* proved to be highly impactful in enhancing digital awareness and cyber safety among diverse sections of society.

The strong participation and positive feedback highlight the growing relevance of such initiatives. The active involvement of Student Digital Ambassadors significantly strengthened community engagement and ensured effective dissemination of knowledge at the grassroots level.

This initiative serves as a model for scalable digital literacy programs and contributes meaningfully towards building a digitally empowered and secure nation.

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GLIMPSES OF THE EVENT



With Student Digital Ambassadors



Digital Ambassadors Leading the Way