## AI Mission to help startups with computing power: PM

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India will soon launch an AI Mission to build artificial intelligencerelated computing capabilities across the country, Prime Minister

Narendra Modi announced on Tuesday.



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India soon. The objective of this mission will be to maximise the potential of AI computing in India and provide Indian startups and innovators with better opportunities," he said, after inaugurating the Global Partnership on Artificial Intelligence (GPAI) Summit at Bharat Mandapam here.

"As part of this mission, the application of artificial intelligence technologies will promoted in sectors, such as agriculture, healthcare and education," Modi said.

He noted that the existing network of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) across the country will be used to promote AI skills and learnings in tier-II and tier-III cities.

The prime minister in his address acknowledged the negative impact and unethical use of and called for a global framework artificial intelligence.

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He said: "Just like we have agreements and protocols for various international issues, we have to create a global framework for the ethical use of AI. This will include a protocol for testing and deployment of high-risk and frontier AI tools."

Talking about the opportunities associated with the technology, Modi said AI can help achieve sustainable development goals. He also underlined the need for the development of an inclusive AI technology

"We have seen how in last century, unequal access to technology led to increased differences within society. We need to prevent humanity from such mistakes in the present time." he said. Calling for an "extremely cautious" approach to the use of AI, the prime minister flagged the potential risks and challenges posed by the "darker aspects" of AI, including the possible weaponisation of the technology by non-state actors. "AI is transformative. But it must be made as transparent as possible."