

AI adoption needs national commitment: CEA

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Adoption of artificial intelligence (AI) requires urgency, political will and a national commitment towards aligning technology with mass employability, Chief Economic Advisor V Anantha Nageswaran said on Monday at the AI Impact Summit.

Speaking on the future of employability in the age of AI in a virtual address, the CEA said: "With institutional discipline and relentless execution, India can become the first large society to demonstrate that human abundance and machine intelligence can reinforce and not undermine each other."



CEA V Anantha Nageswaran said India can become the first large society to show that human abundance and machine intelligence can reinforce each other

Nageswaran added that this would not happen by drift and that it has to be a team

effort involving the private sector, academics as well as policy makers. "The window is still open, but it is not indefinite. For India, this is not a debate about the future of work. It is a decision about the future of growth, social stability and cohesion. We must act, and act now," he said.

He said that the first step towards AI adoption would begin with reforms of foundational skills education.

He added that countries need to move decisively by strengthening education, high-quality skills, expanding labour-intensive service sectors, and removing the regulatory bottlenecks. "That is where the path to co-creating prosperity with AI and employability in the age of AI begins," Nageswaran said.