GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, ELECTRONICS & COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

Lr No: ITEC-11/eGov/59/2026-JD-eGov **Date: 11.08.2026**

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub:- Constitution of the State Data Governance Committee (SDGC) for the State of Telangana.

Ref:- Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India, Office Memorandum No. 171/1/1/2022- CA.V/CA.III dated 22nd May 2026, read with DO No. N-22022/7/2026-NeGD dated 14 July 2026 issued by the Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India.

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In pursuance of the Office Memorandum and DO letter referred, and with a view to enabling interoperable, integrated, secure and privacy-preserving data sharing within and outside the Government of Telangana, the State Government hereby constitutes the State Data Governance Committee (hereinafter referred to as "the SDGC" or "the Committee") with the composition and terms of reference set out below. The Committee shall function in coordination with the National Data Governance Committee (NDGC) and in conformity with the National Data Governance Framework Policy (NDGFP), the Information Technology Act, 2000, the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023 and the rules made thereunder, and applicable orders and guidelines issued by the Government of India from time to time.

2. **Composition of the Committee**

S.No	Members	Designation in Committee
1	Chief Secretary, Government of Telangana	Chairperson
2	Secretary to Government, Planning, Govt. of Telangana	Member
3	Spl Chief Secretary, ITE&C Department, Government of Telangana	Member
4	Principal Secretary, Finance Department	Member
5	Principal Secretary, Home Department	Member
6	Principal Secretary, Revenue Department	Member
7	Secretary, Agriculture Department	Member
8	Spl Chief Secretary, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department	Member
9	Spl Chief Secretary, Municipal Administration & Urban Development Department	Member
10	Principal Secretary, Medical, Health & Family Welfare Department	Member
11	Principal Secretary, School / Higher Education Department	Member
12	Secretary, Social Welfare Department	Member
13	Principal Secretary, Labour Employment Training & Factories Department	Member
14	Spl Chief Secretary, Industries & Commerce Department	Member
15	Commissioner, Electronics Service Delivery (ESD)	Member
16	State Informatics Officer (SIO), National Informatics centre (NIC), Telangana	Member
17	State Data Protection officer (as designated under the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2O2A)	Member
18	Nominee of the Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India (Joint Secretary level)	Member
19	Senior representative(s), Industry / Industry Association(s), and subject-matter experts in data governance, privacy, Cyber-Security and Al ethics (up to four, nominated by the Chairperson)	Member
20	Joint Secretary, ITE&C Department	Member-Convener

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Note: The Chairperson may co-opt any additional member, expert or special invitee from a Central Ministry, State Government, Public Sector Undertaking, academic or research institution, or the private sector, including entities acting as a Data Issuer, Data Consumer or Data Fiduciary, as and when required. Where a member listed above is not the appropriate custodian of the relevant subject matter in the Government of Telangana, the Chief Secretary may nominate an equivalent officer in his/her place.

3. Terms of Reference of the Committee

(i) **Policy Alignment**: Align state data governance policies with the National Data Governance Framework Policy and applicable laws including the DPDP Act. Overseeing the formulation, periodic review, and harmonization of State-level Data Sharing Procedures by State Departments and attached offices, aligning them with nationally prescribed frameworks, and maintaining inventories of state-owned datasets;

(ii) **Data Inventory**: Maintain and periodically update an inventory of state-owned datasets and metadata standards. Monitoring and supporting the adoption of common data standards and suitable formats for metadata, data, Apls, certificates and registries by State Departments and Government Organizations. Resolving inter-departmental issues related to data sharing.

(iii) **Data Sharing & Interoperability**: Guiding and overseeing the adoption of data-exchange platforms for data sharing within and outside the government of Telangana.

(iv) **Privacy & Security**: Supporting and guiding safeguards governing data sharing within the government and with private entities, including consent-based sharing, purpose limitation, 2uditability, anonymization, and prohibition of re-identification. Approve frameworks and protocols for intra-government and inter-government data sharing. Supporting government organizations to handle data sharing in compliance with the Information Technology Act, 2000, and the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023;

(v) **Access & Licensing:** Define access levels, licensing terms, and procedures for third-party access to non-sensitive government datasets.

(vi) **Grievance & Redressal**: Establish a mechanism for data-related grievances and coordinate with the State Data Protection Officer and relevant authorities.

(vii) Guiding compliance and audit mechanisms, and recommending corrective measures;

(viii) **Capacity Building**: Recommend training, awareness, and capacity building for departmental data stewards by sharing best practices in data management followed by Central government.

(ix) **Monitoring & Reporting**: Monitor compliance, conduct periodic reviews, and submit an annual report to the Government.

(x) **Advisory Role**: Advise on legislation, rules, and standard operating procedures required for state data governance.

4. Meetings and Reporting

(i) ITE&C Department shall provide support, coordination, and technical assistance to the SDGC.
(ii) The SDGC shall meet at least **quarterly** and additionally as required. The Chairperson may call special meetings.
(iii) The SDGC shall submit its first report with recommendations within **90 days** of constitution and thereafter an annual report to the Government through the ITE&C Department.

5. Powers and Delegation

(i) The SDGC is empowered to constitute sub-committees, working groups, or technical panels for specific tasks (e.g., data classification, consent frameworks, technical standards).
(ii) The Chairperson may delegate routine administrative powers to the Joint Secretary / JD-eGov for implementation and follow-up.
(iii) Departments shall designate a **Data Steward** and a **CIO/CISO** to coordinate with the SDGC and ITE&C Department.

6. Implementation and Compliance

(i) All Departments, Autonomous Bodies, and State Public Sector Undertakings are directed to cooperate with the SDGC, provide required data inventories, and implement approved standards and recommendations.
(ii) Non-compliance shall be reported to the Chairperson for appropriate action.
(iii) The Government may review or amend the constitution, membership, or ToR of the SDGC as required.

7. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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JOINT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To,
The Chief Secretary & Spl. Chief Secretary to Govt., ITE&C Dept., (Chairperson)
All Members of the Committee mentioned above.

Copy to:
1. The Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India, for information, with reference to OM No. 171/1/1/2022- CA.V/CA.III dated 22nd May, 2026
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India 3. The President & CEO, National e-Governance Division (NeGD), MeitY
4. All the Spl. Chief Secretaries / Principal Secretaries / Secretaries to Government of Telangana.
5. All Heads of Department, Government of Telangana.

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JOINT DIRECTOR
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