

Introduction

Artificial intelligence (AI) has the potential to help tackle some of the world's most challenging social problems. Analysing potential applications for social good, suggest that existing capabilities could contribute to tackling cases across almost all Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), potentially helping hundreds of millions of people in both advanced and emerging countries.

Specific crisis-related challenges, such as responses to natural and human made disasters in the event of an outbreak of disease can be addressed using AI. For example, by using AI one can map and predict the progression of a disease and thereby optimise the response of health workers.

There has been a significant growth in interest levels around AI across all industry sectors in India. Industries have started working to skill their manpower to enable themselves to compete with other global players, and in this endeavour a continuous effort is being spent in developing AI/ML curriculums to upskill potential participants from government sectors.

There is an unfulfilled potential and that the country could be doing far more to adopt and integrate AI technologies. In this path, there could be significant strides by efforts made, to plug in the gaps between the potentials of AI and current implementation of use cases by AI/ML methods.

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