

Native language Voice-first AI to expand digital inclusion: Survey

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Native language and voice-first AI systems can extend the reach of digital services to populations historically excluded from text-heavy and bandwidth intensive platforms, as per the Economic Survey.

By enabling interaction in native languages and functioning effectively on low-cost devices, such frugal AI pathways align scale

with digital inclusion.

India top contributor

India entered the AI era with notable strengths: It currently ranks among the top global contributors to AI research output; possesses a deep pool of technical talent in the field of AI and a highly AI-literate labour force outranked only by the U.S. as of 2024.

Global financial markets grapple with the impact introduced by new technolo-

gies such as AI, acknowledged the survey, highlighting the IMF's Financial Stability Report (FSR) of October 2025 forecast a higher likelihood of herding behaviour in financial markets as global investors may end up deploying similar AI models.

The report noted compared to previous decades, investors had become increasingly sensitive to micro-information signals from social media.