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"Countering Disinformation Warfare & Building Resilient Societies in an Era of AI"

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EVENT DETAILS

Aspect	Details
Event Name	"Countering Disinformation Warfare & Building Resilient Societies in an Era of AI"
Organizers	TIESVERSE FOUNDATION (TIES) & SPMRF
Thematic Area	Safe and Trusted AI
Date	February 17, 2026
Format	Moderated Dialogue
Venue	Sushma Swaraj Bhawan, New Delhi
Time & Duration	12:30 - 1:25 PM (55 Mins)
Panel Composition	3 Speakers + 1 Moderator
Languages	English + Hindi
Target Audience	Students , Youth ,Think tanks, Policy Makers, Tech leaders, Academicians, Government Officials, NGOs.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Information warfare has fundamentally transformed. Where it once relied on human manipulation and organizational coordination, artificial intelligence now enables state and non-state actors to generate synthetic media at scale, automate coordinated inauthentic behavior across platforms, and micro-target populations with personalized disinformation narratives, all of this with unprecedented speed and precision. This moderated dialogue brings together government officials, technology leaders, security experts, academics, and international partners to address this urgent threat to democratic and plural societies like India, while building comprehensive frameworks for institutional and societal resilience.

For India, the world's largest democracy with rapidly expanding digital infrastructure, the urgency is acute. Active adversaries, especially Pakistan is already executing sophisticated AI-powered campaigns exploiting India's linguistic diversity, pluralistic media environment, and open internet architecture to undermine electoral integrity, institutional trust, and social cohesion.

This main-summit event dialogue addresses two critical dimensions. First, understanding synthetic media and narrative warfare; examining how deepfakes, AI propaganda, and reality manipulation destabilize democracies. Second, strengthening governance and building societal resilience; addressing regulatory and policy frameworks that balance security with liberty, enhancing institutional coordination, and developing multi-layered defenses.

Through expert dialogue and international collaboration, this event develops actionable frameworks for India's comprehensive response strategy, positioning the nation as a thought leader in responsible AI governance while countering coordinated information warfare at scale.

INTRODUCTION: WHY NOW? WHY THIS THREAT?

The AI-Amplified Challenge

Deepfakes are becoming increasingly convincing. With readily available tools, adversaries can generate videos of world leaders saying things they never said, create audio clips of military commanders ordering attacks, and fabricate photos of events that never occurred. Detection capabilities are struggling to keep pace with technological advancement.

Bot armies operate at inhuman speed and sophistication. Thousands of fake accounts can coordinate overnight, pushing narratives before fact-checkers wake up. These systems are growing smarter, mimicking real human behavior patterns and evading detection mechanisms designed to identify them.

Targeting has become surgical and personalized. AI systems analyze social media activity, browsing habits, and community vulnerabilities to craft messages specifically designed to manipulate individuals—not generic propaganda, but personalized psychological warfare at scale.

The consequences are devastating and real: elections swayed by viral lies, public health campaigns undermined by coordinated medical disinformation, diplomatic incidents triggered by fabricated evidence, and communities torn apart by manufactured outrage. When citizens cannot distinguish real information from sophisticated fakes, when institutional trust erodes as people lose faith in media and democratic institutions, democracies lose their foundation.

India's Specific Vulnerability

Three urgent reasons demand immediate attention:

First, the window is closing. Every month, AI gets better at creating synthetic content. Every month, it becomes harder to distinguish fact from fiction. If regulatory frameworks, detection systems, and societal resilience mechanisms are not established now, democracies will be playing defense in a game already lost.

Second, India is a prime target. With the world's largest democracy, rapidly expanding digital infrastructure, linguistic diversity, open internet architecture, and active adversaries who have already launched sophisticated disinformation campaigns against the nation, India is not preparing for a potential threat—it is responding to an ongoing one. The very strengths that make Indian democracy robust—pluralism, transparency, open information flows—become vulnerabilities when weaponized by adversaries using AI at scale.

Third, this embodies practical “Safe and Trusted AI.” This conversation addresses concrete challenges: How do governments govern AI without crushing innovation? How do societies build detection systems without enabling surveillance? How do nations protect citizens without controlling information? How do democracies adapt when AI automates jobs at unprecedented pace? How do citizens prepare for a world where seeing is no longer believing? Building societal resilience is not about restricting AI but about ensuring democratic institutions and citizens can navigate the AI-era information landscape effectively.

STRATEGIC RATIONALE & POLICY ALIGNMENT

This initiative directly aligns with India's strategic priorities:

- **National Security:** Countering state-sponsored information operations threatening India's diplomatic credibility and democratic institutions
- **Digital India:** Building secure, resilient digital infrastructure resistant to manipulation
- **AI Innovation:** Leveraging domestic AI expertise for detection, verification, and protective purposes
- **Democratic Strengthening:** Safeguarding electoral integrity, public discourse, and institutional trust
- **International Leadership:** Positioning India as a thought leader in responsible AI governance and information security
- **Regional Stability:** Collaborating with democratic nations to counter shared disinformation threats

This moderated dialogue directly addresses the core pillars of the “Safe and Trusted AI” thematic area:

1. Governance & Accountability - Regulatory frameworks for detecting AI-misuse in disinformation campaigns - Accountability mechanisms for platforms deploying AI content moderation - International cooperation frameworks for governing AI in information security - Institutional coordination mechanisms across government, platforms, and civil society.

2. Ethical AI Deployment - Responsible development of detection and verification technologies - Transparent algorithmic amplification practices - Bias mitigation in AI-powered content moderation systems - Ethical considerations in balancing security with democratic values.

3. Security & Risk Mitigation - Technical safeguards against AI-generated synthetic media - Detection systems for coordinated inauthentic behavior - Attribution methodologies for AI-powered disinformation operations - Institutional capacity-building for government agencies.

4. Democratic Resilience - Citizen-level AI literacy and digital resilience - Multi-stakeholder frameworks for trustworthy information ecosystems - Media literacy and fact-checking infrastructure - Public confidence in democratic institutions and processes.

EVENT OBJECTIVES

This high-level moderated dialogue aims to achieve five primary objectives:

1. Understand the Threat Landscape - Map how AI technologies are weaponized for disinformation purposes - Analyze state-sponsored and non-state disinformation architectures - Examine emerging AI-driven disinformation tactics and techniques - Assess the scale, speed, and sophistication of AI-amplified campaigns - Identify vulnerability points in target democracies, particularly India

2. Assess Technological Vulnerabilities & Solutions - Examine detection capabilities for AI-generated synthetic media - Evaluate fact-checking and verification infrastructure powered by AI - Analyze platform-level countermeasures and content moderation systems - Identify technological gaps in India’s current defensive posture - Showcase emerging innovations in detection and verification

3. Identify Institutional & Policy Gaps - Map India's current institutional response mechanisms - Assess policy frameworks governing AI use in information security - Identify coordination gaps between government agencies, platforms, and civil society - Evaluate legal and regulatory frameworks for addressing disinformation - Propose integrated approaches to institutional strengthening

4. Foster International Cooperation - Share best practices from democracies combating AI-driven disinformation - Identify opportunities for multilateral intelligence-sharing and coordination - Establish frameworks for diplomatic and technical cooperation - Build coalitions of democratic nations for collective defense - Create ongoing dialogue mechanisms for threat intelligence and coordination

5. Develop Actionable Recommendations - Propose integrated national strategy for countering AI-driven disinformation - Recommend policy and legislative changes - Outline technology investment priorities for detection and verification - Establish protocols for inter-agency coordination - Create roadmap for capacity-building and institutional strengthening

EVENT STRUCTURE & FORMAT

Event Type: Moderated Dialogue

Format: Expert Panel Discussion + Audience Engagement

Total Duration: 55 minutes + networking

Venue: Sushma Swaraj Bhawan, New Delhi

Session Timeline

Session 1: Welcome Address & Opening Remarks (10 minutes)

- Formal welcome and acknowledgement of attendees
- Introduction to TIES and SPMRF Foundation
- Overview of India AI Summit and "Safe and Trusted AI" thematic focus
- Context-setting for information security threats in the AI era
- Brief introduction of speakers and moderator

Session 2: Moderated Dialogue - Deep Dive (30 minutes)

A carefully curated panel of 3-4 expert speakers representing diverse perspectives:

1. Moderator from SPMRF/TIESVERSE - Introduces the topic, panel and moderates the whole discussion around information warfare and how to build resilient societies.

2. Government Official / Minister / Security Expert (7-8 minutes) - National security perspective on AI-driven disinformation - Government's strategic response and institutional mechanisms - Policy frameworks and regulatory approaches - Institutional coordination across agencies

3. Technology Leader / Founder of AI startup (7-8 minutes) - Technical capabilities for detecting AI-generated synthetic media - Detection systems for coordinated inauthentic behaviour - Platform-level countermeasures and content moderation approaches - Emerging innovations in verification and forensics

4. Academic / Media Expert/ Content Creator(7-8 minutes) - Understanding disinformation architectures and adversarial tactics - Research insights on AI-amplified campaigns and their impact - Media literacy and public resilience building - Educational and institutional capacity-building approaches

Discussion Themes:

- **Synthetic Media & Narrative Warfare:** Examining deepfakes, AI propaganda, and reality manipulation as weapons against democratic institutions.
- **Regulation vs. Liberty:** The governance dilemma—how to counter threats while protecting free expression and democratic values.
- **Building Societal Resilience:** Institutional capacity, citizen literacy, fact-checking infrastructure, and multi-layered democratic defense.

Session 4: Audience Q&A (8-10 minutes)

- Open forum for substantive questions from participants
- Focus on clarity, impact, and actionable insights
- Real-time engagement with diverse stakeholder perspectives
- Emerging consensus on priorities and recommendations

Session 5: Closing Remarks & Call to Action (5-10 minutes)

- Synthesis of key insights and consensus points
- Launch of “India’s Narrative Warfare Strategy for Future” framework
- Identification of priority recommendations and next steps
- Thanking speakers, collaborators, and participants
- Vision for ongoing dialogue and international cooperation

Post-Event: High Tea & Networking

CORE SUB-THEMES

- **Sub-Theme 1: AI-Generated Content & Synthetic Media Detection**
Focus on deepfakes, synthetic audio/video, content authentication, and technical verification frameworks.
- **Sub-Theme 2: AI-Powered Disinformation Campaigns & Attribution**
Examination of coordinated inauthentic behavior, bot networks, and state-sponsored attribution methodologies.
- **Sub-Theme 3: Platform Accountability & Responsible AI Deployment**
Analysis of content moderation, algorithmic transparency, regulatory frameworks, and responsible AI governance.
- **Sub-Theme 4: Building Digital Resilience & Media Literacy**
Institutional capacity-building, citizen resilience, fact-checking infrastructure, and AI literacy initiatives.
- **Sub-Theme 5: Multilateral Cooperation & Policy Frameworks**
International coordination mechanisms, intelligence-sharing protocols, and harmonized democratic responses.

ABOUT ORGANIZERS

TIESVERSE FOUNDATION

TIESVERSE FOUNDATION is India's leading youth-led research, media and tech organization, built by a multidisciplinary team of young minds from leading Indian and international institutions, redefining strategic discourse for the AI age. We combine rigorous research, influential digital media with a presence of 300k+ over platforms, and cutting-edge technology, bridging the critical gap between complex policy analysis and accessible public discourse to deliver impactful outcomes.

We have been covering geopolitics, defence, economy, internal politics, climate change, science, tech, and more. We distribute our work through various media platforms, allowing us to directly shape the narratives for the next generation. We deliver data-driven insights and impactful initiatives, reflecting the youth's notion of policy-making for the country, as well as empower the rising generation to engage directly with the issues shaping India's global future.

Dr. SYAMA PRASAD MOOKERJEE FOUNDATION (SPMRF)

The **Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee Research Foundation (SPMRF)** serves as a prominent nationalist think tank for the converging ideas aimed at strengthening India's unity, integrity, and progress. It was established in 1993 as a New Delhi-based think tank affiliated with the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP).

Its relevance in the AI ecosystem stems from its role as an ideological compass, actively driving the discourse on Digital Sovereignty and Technological Nationalism. SPMRF advocates fiercely for an 'India First' approach, promoting Atmanirbhar (self-reliant) AI policies, indigenous foundational models, and stringent data localisation measures to protect national data assets from global technological hegemony. Furthermore, it actively frames the debate on algorithmic bias and the necessity of technology that aligns with Bhartiya values.

The Foundation's credibility lies in its close association with academia, policymakers, lawmakers, and human resources dedicated to the national interest.

WHY TO ATTEND ?

- 1. Gain Comprehensive Threat Understanding :** Acquire in-depth insights into how AI technologies are weaponized by state and non-state actors and understand implications for democratic institutions, national security, and social cohesion.
- 2. Access Best Practices & Innovations :** Learn proven detection methodologies for synthetic media and coordinated behavior. Discover technological solutions deployed by leading democracies and understand platform-level countermeasures and governance approaches.
- 3. Identify Collaboration Opportunities :** Connect with peers from other democratic nations facing similar threats. Explore bilateral and multilateral cooperation possibilities and establish information-sharing protocols for threat intelligence.
- 4. Shape India's Response Strategy :** Contribute to development of India's national strategy on AI-driven disinformation and help establish regulatory frameworks for responsible AI governance in information security.
- 5. Build Institutional Resilience :** Strengthen organizational preparedness against AI-driven information warfare. Develop institutional capacity for detection, analysis, and coordinated response while accessing emerging tools and methodologies.

KEY TAKEAWAYS & STRATEGIC OUTCOMES

- **Policy & Governance:** Comprehensive legislative recommendations, balanced regulatory frameworks, inter-agency coordination protocols, and launch of "India's Narrative Warfare Strategy for the AI Era.
- **Policy-Making Innovation:** Evidence-based policy development integrating real-time threat intelligence, multi-stakeholder governance models, and adaptive mechanisms safeguarding electoral integrity and institutional trust.

- **Education & Capacity-Building:** Media literacy curricula teaching citizens to identify deepfakes, AI literacy training for officials, academic integration guidelines, and institutional resilience programs.
- **Ethical AI Deployment:** Best practices for responsible detection technologies, algorithmic transparency standards, bias mitigation frameworks, and democratic values alignment ensuring AI strengthens rather than undermines democratic principles.
- **International Cooperation:** Multilateral coordination with allied democracies, intelligence-sharing protocols, joint technological development initiatives, and permanent dialogue forums for continuous threat assessment.
- **Expected Outcomes:** Comprehensive threat understanding, actionable policy recommendations, technology roadmaps, educational frameworks, international cooperation mechanisms, and ethical governance standards positioning India as a global leader in responsible AI governance.

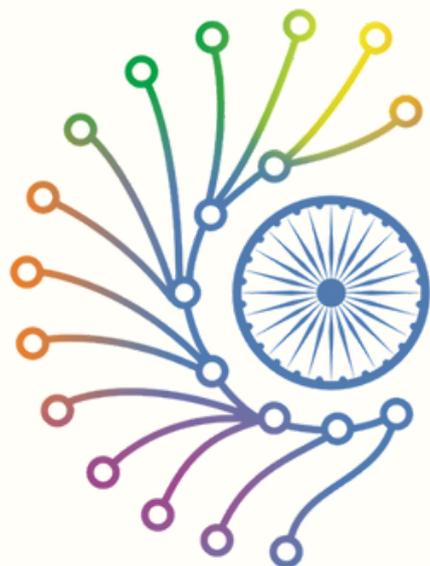
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