Information Technology & Electronics in West Bengal

2018

Department of IT&E, Government of West Bengal
West Bengal...

Why Bengal?

- INR 1,100 crore+ proposed IT investment
- Zero hours power outage
- Zero man day loss in last 5 years
- 5G connectivity – Kolkata is one of the first

Growth engine

Largest in India in Power distribution, quality and availability

Kolkata is the 1st metro city in the country with connectivity on 4G

Robust infrastructure

3rd largest road network, 2nd largest metro rail network

Richly endowed with natural maritime advantages

2 International Airports – Kolkata and Bagdogra

Strategic location

Gateway to South-East Asia and North-East India

Well connected with the booming hubs of Asia such as Singapore, Thailand and Malaysia

Rich culture

Birthplace of modern Indian literary and artistic thought

Kolkata is referred as the “Culture/literary capital of India”

Pioneer of cosmopolitan culture in the country

https://bengalglobalsummit.com/advantage-bengal/
...Is eagerly fostering a Centre of Innovation

Vision
“To make West Bengal the leader in Innovation in emerging technologies while ensuring the creation of a suitable ecosystem”

Segments
- Blockchain, Fintech
- Cybersecurity & cyber forensics
- 3D Printing & Robotics
- Internet of Things & Data Analytics
- Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning
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Illustrative Image

Spread over 50,000 Sq. ft area
Covers 4 Floors and 8 wings
Expected to be ready by August 2018
...has recently successfully concluded a pioneering hackathon...

**Bengalathon**...first state level hackathon of its kind

**Technology focus areas**
- Big data & Analytics
- Artificial Intelligence
- Emerging Technologies like Blockchain
- Internet of Things

**Solution dimensions**
- Fintech
- Tourism
- Transport
- Geriatric care
- Food from unorganized sector

**Focus on citizen centered problems**

**5 problem areas**

...registrations **and**

4 final **winners** in segments like elderly support, fintech and last mile transport
...and focusing on cyber security through a dedicated CoE

CS CoE

Risk reduction  Management

Awareness & capacity building  Cyber assurance  Incidence  Cyber forensics  Security Operations Centre

Research & Development & Advisory

Vision

“To make West Bengal the leader in creating cyber security clusters in emerging technologies while ensuring safety and security of citizens, industry and government in a digital economy”

A state level empowered committee is taking initiatives forward

Government  Citizen

Industry  Academia

Cyber safe Bengal
The state is ideally placed to leverage IT...

...through IT parks

- 12 ready government owned IT parks; more upcoming
- 1 ready hardware park; 1 upcoming
- 2 upcoming electronic manufacturing clusters

Excellent talent pool

Good social infrastructure

We believe in cluster based development
...through hardware parks...

Sonarpur – 10.7 acres
~19 km
Kolkata
~56 km
Kalyani – 48 acres

• Sonarpur hardware park is open for allotment in first come first served basis
• https://land.webel-india.com/

Focus areas
• Electronics & Telecommunication
• Renewable energy
• Component manufacturing

...& Electronic manufacturing clusters

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2 upcoming at Naihati & Falta
Kick starting blockchain

West Bengal is taking pioneering steps

EoI floated for leveraging blockchain in loyalty program

Develop Skillsets in Blockchain

Build a holistic ecosystem

Develop Centre of Excellence

Explore how Blockchain can improve Government processes
...A fintech hub

10-acre New Town plot marked for FinTech hub

Kolkata: The Housing Infrastructure Development Corporation (Hidco) has allocated a 10-acre plot in New Town's financial hub as a space for reputable FinTech companies. The need to provide a space for such companies was felt after the financial technology industry turned out to be a game-changer in the financial and banking sectors, said a source.

Hidco took the decision at a recent board meeting. The authorities plan to start inviting applications from interested companies for a space in the hub by end-2017.

FinTech is an emerging industry that comprises companies who use digital technology to provide financial services. These companies are involved in digital payments, automatic digital banking, share market analytics, insurance predictions and asset management," said Hidco CMD Debashis Sen.

Officials said the financial hub already has 21 financial institutions, which have an annual turnover of over Rs 500 crore.

Hidco authorities said they were also working to set up an international financial services centre in the central business district (CBD) of the hub, on the lines of Dubai or Singapore. It will be a dedicated zone for investors and foreign nationals, where they will be able to trade and exchange in foreign currency. Earlier, Hidco had also allowed 49% of the CBD to be used for residential purpose to provide accommodation to officers of the financial institutes.

SBI Institute near Fintech Hub: Ready for Inauguration
Some of our IT success stories

**Matir Katha**
An innovative platform for leveraging IT in agriculture

**Influx of big players**
Infosys is investing INR 100 cr to create 1000 jobs
Genpact is investing INR 200 cr to create 6000 jobs

**eGovernance**
Leading position in Ease of Doing business
Success of e District (21 lakh+ applications), single sign on and many others

http://eodb.dipp.gov.in/
GoWB is leveraging IT to inculcate efficiency

Integrated Financial Management System – efficiency, transparency, authenticity
EoDB – Shilpa Sathi – Single Window Service
Innovation in Assistive Technology - Society for Natural Language Technology Research
Online Labour services, Online irrigation support services and many others

Success stories (continued)

Outstanding performance in Citizen-Centric Service Delivery

Track Child-Online Tracking System for Missing Children
Department of Women and Child Development, Kolkata, West Bengal

Excellence in Government Process Re-engineering

e-Initiatives in Commercial Taxes
Directorate of Commercial Taxes, Finance Department, Government of West Bengal

Outstanding Performance in Citizen-Centric Service

Kanyashree Prakalpa Portal Kanyashree online

Matir katha

Agri-Portal Matir Katha for Agriculture Department Gov. of West Bengal

This is an **agriculture based portal** involving 5 Departments.

Through this portal, **useful information** in different Agricultural Sectors are available to farmers.

Information includes name and kind of seeds, availability, price and quality control of seeds, suggestions for Season / Area / Crop / variety wise cropping (based on crop calendar), different information related to Soil and Fertilizer, Cultivation Technique of different crops, crop diseases and their remedies, Agro-Climatic Zones and Schemes for cultivation of different crops.

12 Working Modules

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Innovation in Assistive Technology at SNLTR

Who needs assistance

- Common People
- Differently abled people: Blind people, People with low vision and People with Neuro-Motor Disorders and Speech Impairment
- Socio-linguistically Challenged People: Endangered linguistic community

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Technology: Virtual and Augmented Reality, Artificial Intelligence, Language Learning and Language Generation, Semantic Net, Mobile computing, etc.
A Single Window System will provide **single window service under the various applicable Acts**, Rules, Policies and Schemes.

This Single Window System will also provide all **facilitations and handholding** support to the investors intending to start a business or operating a business in the State.

http://silpasathi.in/
IFMS

An online real time system for

Management  Monitoring  Control

...of all fund allocation and financial transaction

Has option of single payment and multiple credit within a department

Direct integration with treasury
We are surging ahead

Permanent employment

IT exports trend

Source: Departmental data
To sum up...The centre of gravity of IT is shifting eastwards and Kolkata can be your epicentre

Wechat is *rapidly closing the gap* with Facebook owned Whatsapp (900 million+ vs 1.2 billion users)

Alibaba’s business model is more profitable than that of Amazon (+30% operating margin vs <3% in 2017)

Kolkata with its strategic location, plug and play infrastructure, diverse talent pool, optimized costs and good social infrastructure is ideally placed for investments

Kolkata also brings in many focused advantages

Reliance Industries Will Invest ₹ 5,000 Crore In Bengal: Mukesh Ambani

Speaking at the Bengal Global Business Summit, India's richest man paid lavish compliments to Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee saying that under her leadership "West Bengal is becoming Best Bengal!!"
Thank you

Questions and Answers