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AI4 Agri

2026

Reshaping the Future of Farming

Global Conference on AI in Agriculture and Investor Summit

Jio World Convention Centre, BKC, Mumbai

22nd – 23rd February 2026

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“Building Global Thought Leadership, Seeding Collaboration, and Unlocking Investment in AI and Emerging Technologies for Agriculture”



Vision

To be a global convening platform for shaping the future of agriculture through responsible AI, innovation, and global collaboration



Mission

To propel Maharashtra to a leadership position in leveraging AI and AgriTech for agricultural transformation, through collaboration, partnership, investment, knowledge sharing and innovation



Theme

Inclusive and Responsible AI for Agriculture, Empowering Women Farmers, Driving Innovation, and Building Climate Resilience

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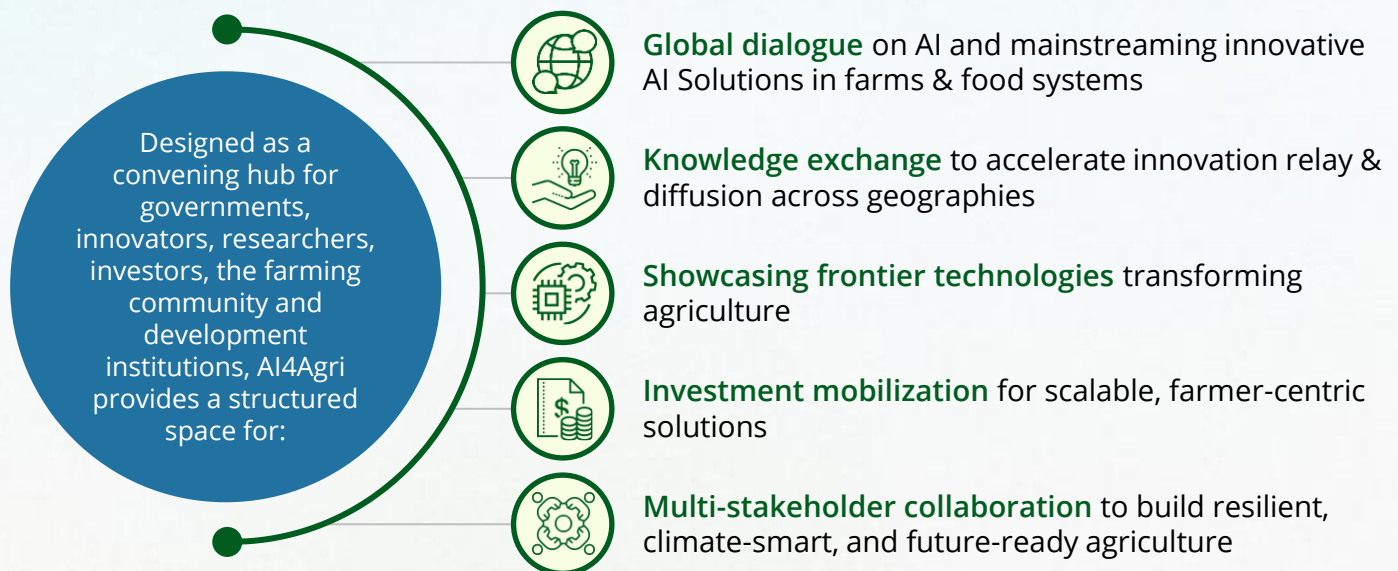
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AI4Agri – The Platform

AI4Agri is a multi-year global platform established by the Government of Maharashtra to drive the next generation of agricultural transformation through responsible AI, frontier digital and emerging technologies, international collaboration, and large-scale investment mobilization in AI and AgriTech solutions.

Anchored in the State’s pioneering **MahaAgri-AI Policy 2025–2029**, supported by a dedicated allocation of ₹500 crore policy implementation, AI4Agri represents a long-term commitment to accelerating digital transformation across the agricultural sector. The policy identifies

“**Hosting an Annual Global AI in Agriculture Conference and Investor Summit**” as a strategic pillar—positioning Maharashtra as a global hub for AI-driven innovation, partnerships, and knowledge exchange.



AI4Agri reflects Maharashtra’s ambition to build a **globally connected ecosystem** that supports innovation, enhances climate resilience, empowers farmers, and strengthens both national and international food systems. This platform will host **annual global editions** in Maharashtra, complemented by year-round initiatives including expert roundtables, global learning exchanges, policy dialogues, and innovation challenges.



AI4Agri 2026 – The Event

AI4Agri 2026 is the inaugural global conference and investor summit under the AI4Agri platform, to be held on February 22-23, 2026, at the Jio World Convention Centre, BKC, Mumbai.

Hosted by the Government of Maharashtra, the event will convene over **1500 global leaders** across AI, digital public infrastructure, agriculture, climate action, investment, research, farming community and multilateral development agencies.

As a **designated Satellite Event of the India-AI Impact Summit 2026**, AI4Agri 2026 will

strategically align with India's national vision on artificial intelligence, leveraging the presence of global dignitaries, investors, international organizations, and technology leaders who will be in India during the same week. This alignment strengthens Maharashtra's position as a key contributor to India's AI ecosystem and amplifies the global visibility of the Summit.



The 2026 edition also draws inspiration from the **United Nations' declaration of 2026 as the International Year of Women Farmers**, placing **gender-inclusive AI adoption** at the heart of the event. This focus underscores the Summit's commitment to empowering women farmers through responsible and accessible AI tools, strengthening resilience, expanding opportunities, and ensuring equity in the digital transformation of agriculture. AI4Agri 2026 aims to:

- **Launch a global dialogue** on responsible and inclusive AI adoption in agriculture
- **Showcase Maharashtra's pioneering Agri-AI Policy and statewide digital public infrastructure**
- **Strengthen partnerships** with the World Bank, ADB, FAO, IFAD, IndiaAI Mission, ICAR, IISc, UNDP, CGIAR, and leading national and global research institutions
- **Drive investment commitments** through a dedicated Global AgriTech Investor Forum
- **Feature world leaders and innovators** through keynotes, thematic plenaries, expert panels, and ministerial dialogues
- **Highlight women farmers and inclusive AI** through a dedicated track
- **Publish a landmark global compendium** on AI & AgriTech impact, co-developed with the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) and multilateral partners, to be unveiled at **India-AI Impact Summit 2026, New Delhi**

AI4Agri 2026 marks the beginning of a bold new chapter—establishing Maharashtra as a **global hub for responsible agricultural innovation** and a recognized convenor in shaping the future of AI-enabled food systems.

AI4Agri 2026 – Summit Overview

AI4Agri 2026 is being organized at a pivotal moment for global agriculture and food systems. As countries confront the interconnected challenges of climate change, productivity constraints, shifting market dynamics, and demographic transitions, Artificial Intelligence has become a transformative force capable of reshaping the future of farming. The convergence of advanced analytics, remote sensing, GenAI, digital public infrastructure, and affordable computing offers a historic opportunity to build resilient, productive, and inclusive agricultural systems.

India stands at the forefront of this transformation, with Maharashtra playing a catalytic national role through the country's first dedicated AI policy for the Agriculture domain (MahaAgri-AI Policy 2025–2029). The AI4Agri Global Conference & Investor Summit positions Maharashtra as a strategic convening hub for shaping global discourse, enabling collaboration across governments, industry, academia, and multilateral institutions. AI4Agri 2026 is designed to serve as a global platform for leadership, innovation, and scale. Its significance rests on several pillars:

01 | A Global Convening Focused Exclusively on AI for Agriculture

AI4Agri 2026 is one of the pioneering high-level platforms fully dedicated to exploring the multi-dimensional role of AI in agriculture—from climate adaptation and supply-chain intelligence to farmer-centric advisory, sustainable intensification, and digital governance.

03 | A Platform for Scalable Innovation and Investment

The conference brings together AgriTech innovators, AI researchers, startups, global investors, sovereign funds, and technology majors. Dedicated investment tracks and B2B/B2G engagement formats will catalyze capital deployment into AI and AgriTech solutions with strong potential for scale in emerging economies.

05 | Global Thought Leadership and Partnership

With participation from global institutions including the World Bank, ADB, FAO, IFAD, UNDP, leading research organizations, and global tech companies, AI4Agri 2026 will shape forward-looking approaches, governance frameworks, and collaborative roadmaps for responsible AI in agriculture.

02 | Alignment With India's National AI Vision

As an official **Satellite Event of the India-AI Impact Summit 2026**, AI4Agri-2026 leverages India's national leadership in AI and digital public infrastructure. The timing enables seamless participation from global AI companies, policy leaders, researchers, and investors already present in India for the India-AI Summit.

04 | A Deep Commitment to Inclusive and Responsible AI

Reflecting the **UN International Year of Women Farmers (2026)**, AI4Agri places inclusivity at its core. The Summit will spotlight solutions designed for women farmers, smallholders, and marginalized communities, reinforcing the principle that AI must amplify equity as much as efficiency.

06 | A Launchpad for Knowledge and Collaboration

The event includes the unveiling of a **Global Compendium on Real-World Impact of AI & AgriTech**, co-developed with MeitY & multilateral partners. This compendium will highlight scalable innovations from India and around the world, accelerating cross-country learning and diffusion of frontier technologies.

AI4Agri 2026 is not just a conference—it is the beginning of a global movement to harness the potential of AI for agricultural resilience, farmer prosperity, environmental sustainability, and food system transformation. It marks Maharashtra's emergence as a leader in AI-enabled agriculture and a strategic bridge between India's national AI ambitions and global innovation ecosystems.

AI4Agri 2026 – Objectives

Aligned with the mission of AI4Agri — Reshaping the Future of Farming, the 2026 Global Summit and Investors' Forum aims to deliver transformative outcomes that accelerate responsible AI adoption across agriculture and food systems. The key objectives are:

Facilitate Global Knowledge Exchange and Innovation Transfer

Create a dynamic platform for sharing frontier ideas, scientific breakthroughs, digital innovations, and successful implementation models that harness the potential of AI and frontier technologies, remote sensing, and digital public infrastructure to transform agriculture.

Showcase Startup Innovation and Implementation - Ready AI & AgriTech Solutions

Provide global visibility, demonstration opportunities, and market access pathways for AgriTech and AI startups. Facilitate curated B2B and B2G engagements enabling innovators to connect with corporates, governments, and international buyers.

Shape Future Policy Pathways and Governance Models

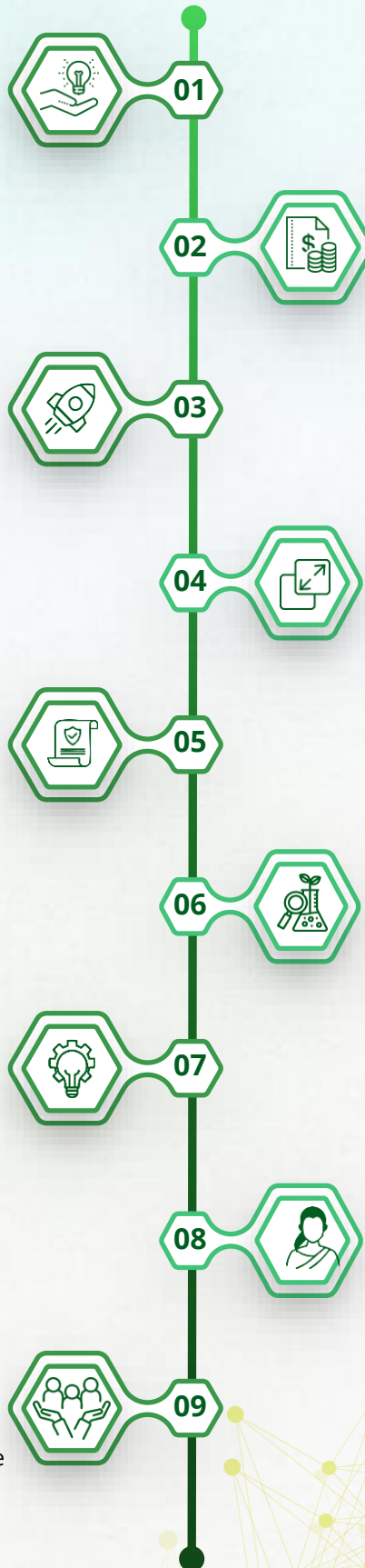
Generate actionable insights to guide national and state-level Agri-AI strategies, governance frameworks, responsible AI standards, and regulatory approaches. Support evidence-based policymaking aligned with India's AI vision and global best practices.

Strengthen South-South, South-North and Trilateral Collaboration and Global Development Cooperation

Enable emerging economies to exchange experiences, deploy shared digital public goods, and collectively scale AI applications tailored to climate-vulnerable geographies. Reinforce India's role as a global digital innovation leader through the India-AI partnership.

Drive Global Consensus on Responsible and Inclusive AI

Promote transparency, safety, ethics, environmental sustainability, and equitable access as foundational principles for AI-enabled agriculture. Encourage global alignment on standards, safeguards, and accountability mechanisms.



Mobilize Investment and Capital Partnerships

Attract global investors, venture funds, philanthropic capital, and government financing to accelerate scalable AI and AgriTech solutions. Enable capital partnerships including blended finance models that strengthen the innovation ecosystem and unlock impact at scale.

Seed Multi-Stakeholder Partnerships for Scalable Impact

Enable collaboration between governments, industry leaders, technology companies, academia, CGIAR institutions, multilaterals, FPOs, civil society, and farmer networks to collectively advance AI-driven transformation. Promote co-design of solutions and shared deployment models.

Advance Global Research Collaboration and Scientific Innovation

Convene leading universities, research labs, open-source communities, and innovation networks to build the next generation of AI models and datasets for agriculture. Launch the **AI4Agri Global Research Network** and promote joint research programs, fellowships, and open innovation testbeds.

Mainstream Women Farmers in the Future of AI-Enabled Agriculture

In alignment with the **UN International Year of Women Farmers (2026)**, prioritize inclusive AI adoption by spotlighting women innovators, showcasing gender-responsive technologies, and enabling platforms that amplify women farmers' leadership and economic empowerment.

Conference Tracks & Structure

The AI4Agri 2026 Conference is structured across **six thematic Tracks**, combining plenaries, expert roundtables, technical workshops, and innovation showcase. These tracks are designed to shape the global agenda on AI-enabled agriculture through responsible innovation, inclusive design, and multi-stakeholder collaboration.

Several sessions across these Tracks will also feature select authors from the national Compendium on the Real-World Impact of AI in Agriculture—jointly prepared by MeitY, the Government of Maharashtra, and the World Bank—as part of AI4Agri's role as an Official Satellite Event to the India AI Impact Summit 2026.



TRACK 1 — Frontier AI & Emerging Technologies for Agriculture and Food Systems Transformation

This Track opens the Summit with a forward-looking exploration of breakthrough technologies shaping the next decade of agriculture. Sessions under the track will focus on:

- Cutting-edge applications and use cases of AI and GenAI across the agricultural value chain
- Predictive modelling, simulation tools, and climate intelligence
- Robotics, automation, computer vision, and precision agriculture
- Geospatial analytics and remote sensing for decision-support
- Emerging bio-digital convergence pathways



TRACK 2 — Inclusive AI for Women Farmers: Empowerment, Equity & Emerging Leadership

Aligned with the **UN International Year of Women Farmers (2026)**, this Track places women farmers at the center of the Agri-AI transformation agenda. Key sessions will address:

- Removing gender bias in AI systems, datasets, and digital advisory platforms
- Role of women-led SHGs, FPOs, Drone Didis, and community champions in digital adoption
- Business models that scale AI-enabled services to women producers
- Financing, skilling, and market access innovations for women farmers
- Public policies that embed gender equity in AI-enabled agriculture and food systems



TRACK 3 — Digital Public Infrastructure for Agri-AI: Data, Trust, Traceability & Platforms

This Track highlights India's leadership in Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) and Maharashtra's advancements under the MahaAgri-AI Policy. Sessions will explore:

- Architecture and governance of the Agriculture Data Exchange
- A unified remote sensing intelligence engine for multi-department use
- The Statewide Traceability & Certification Platform for domestic food safety and exports
- Interoperable APIs, model registries, and secure data layers
- Trust, transparency, and incentive frameworks for private-sector data sharing



TRACK 4 — Investing in Agri-AI Futures: Investments, Markets & Scalable Innovation

Designed for investors, enterprises, and innovators, this Track focuses on unlocking capital and accelerating scale-up. Key discussions include:

- Global investment trends in Agri-AI, Climate Tech, and Food Systems
- Financing pathways for adoption at farmer and enterprise levels
- R&D capital vs deployment capital: investment models that drive scale
- Scale pathways across India, emerging markets, and the Global South
- Curated pitch showcases, investor roundtables, and B2B/B2G matchmaking



TRACK 5 — Global Scientific Collaboration & the AI4Agri Research Network (AI4ARN)

This Track convenes global research institutions, universities, CGIAR centers, and open-source communities to shape the scientific agenda for Agri-AI. Sessions will deliberate about:

- Joint research priorities on climate modelling, GenAI advisory, crop health prediction
- Shared datasets, open-model libraries, and experimentation testbeds
- Collaboration models that bridge discovery science and field deployment
- Global and national partnerships for next-generation agricultural AI
- Launch the AI4Agri Research Network (AI4ARN)



TRACK 6 — Responsible AI, Policy Pathways & Global Governance for Agri-AI

This Track brings together ministers, policymakers, regulators, and global institutions to shape the governance roadmap for AI-enabled agriculture. Themes include:

- Ethical and responsible AI frameworks
- Governance of geospatial, farm-level, and personal data
- Safety, transparency, and risk management mechanisms
- Harmonizing standards for AI, traceability, and digital public goods
- Pathways for South-South, South-North and Trilateral collaboration on Agri-AI governance

COMPENDIUM ON THE REAL-WORLD IMPACT OF AI IN AGRICULTURE

To be released at India AI Impact Summit 2026, New Delhi

AI4Agri 2026 is honored to serve as an Official Satellite Event to the India AI Impact Summit 2026, under a strategic partnership between the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) and the Government of Maharashtra. As part of this collaboration, MeitY, the Department of Agriculture, Government of Maharashtra, and the World Bank are jointly preparing a **Compendium on the Real-World Impact of AI in Agriculture**, capturing scalable, evidence-based AI innovations improving productivity, resilience, and farmer incomes.

The Compendium will be formally released during a dedicated session at the India AI Impact Summit in New Delhi between **15-20 February 2026**, followed with detailed discussions across multiple thematic Tracks during the AI4Agri 2026 Conference in Mumbai on **22-23 February**.

AI Innovation Global Startup Showcase & Investment Arena

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Global Startup Showcase

The Global Startup Showcase will spotlight high-potential Agri-AI startups selected through an international competitive process. These innovators will present breakthrough solutions to a global audience of investors, agribusiness leaders, FPOs, development partners, and policymakers.

Key features include:

- **Curated pitch sessions** led by venture funds, impact investors, and AgriTech accelerators
- **Dedicated demo zones** for hands-on technology exploration
- **Visibility for innovators featured in the National AI in Agriculture Compendium**
- **Opportunities for partnerships** with FPOs, agribusinesses, and government programs



02

Agri-AI Investment Arena

The **Agri-AI Investment Arena** will be high-energy investment platform designed to accelerate capital mobilisation for transformative Agri-AI solutions. Structured as a competitive live-pitch environment, the Arena will enable selected startups to present directly to leading investors, sovereign funds, strategic corporates, and global development financiers.

- **The Arena will feature:**
- **Live investment pitches** evaluated by a distinguished panel of global investors
- **Structured scoring and feedback rounds** focused on scale, impact, and commercial viability
- **Investor matchmaking sessions** creating pathways for term sheets and pilot engagements



03

Innovation Spotlight Stage

To complement the Startup Showcase, the **Innovation Spotlight Stage** will offer a dedicated platform for select innovators to deliver **30-minute deep-dive presentations** to a live audience within the Showcase environment. Designed as a rotating, interactive forum, the Spotlight Stage will enable innovators to:

- Present the science, technology, and design behind their solutions
- Demonstrate prototypes and real-world deployment results
- Highlight impact metrics, business models, and scale pathways
- Engage stakeholders across investment, research, agribusiness, and government
- Stimulate global learning by sharing insights from diverse contexts



Expected Outcomes of AI4AGRI 2026

AI4Agri 2026 aims to generate a powerful set of outcomes that accelerate agricultural transformation in Maharashtra, strengthen India's leadership in Agri-AI, and create long-term global impact. The deliberations across Tracks, plenaries, innovation platforms, and partner engagements will culminate in a cohesive set of insights, commitments, and collaborative actions.

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Release of the National Compendium on the Real-World Impact of AI in Agriculture

Jointly prepared by **MeitY, Government of Maharashtra**, and the **World Bank**, the Compendium will:

- Document high-impact, evidence-based AI use cases across India and the other countries
- Provide actionable lessons for scaling farmer-centric solutions

02

Partnerships and MoUs for Large-Scale Implementation

AI4Agri will facilitate new agreements between:

- Government agencies
- Global development institutions
- Agribusinesses
- Technology companies
- Startups and Investors
- Agricultural Universities and Global Institutions

03

Investment Commitments for Agri-AI Innovation

Through the **Agri-AI Investment Arena** and investor tracks, the Summit will catalyze:

- Direct investments into Agri-AI startups
- Blended finance arrangements
- Funding for research and DPI development
- Corporate and philanthropic partnerships

04

Policy Insights for Strengthening India's Agri-AI Roadmap

High-level deliberations across Tracks will generate policy recommendations on:

- AI safety and responsible deployment
- Data governance and DPI architecture
- Gender inclusion and equitable technology access
- Market development and adoption pathways

05

Launch of the AI4Agri Research Network (AI4ARN)

The Summit will initiate an international research consortium bringing together:

- Leading global universities and research institutions
- CGIAR, ICAR Institutions and Agricultural Universities
- AI labs and scientific communities

06

Strengthened Global Cooperation for Agri-AI

AI4Agri 2026 will formalize new global learning and collaboration channels among:

- Governments
- Multilateral agencies
- Philanthropic organizations
- Private sector leaders
- Farmer networks and civil society

07

Scaling Opportunities for Startups and Innovators

Startups showcased at Innovation Spotlight Stage, and Investment Arena will gain:

- Global visibility
- Access to markets and institutions
- Pilot opportunities with government and agribusinesses
- Investment pathways
- Mentorship and technical partnerships

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Enhanced Focus on Women Farmers and Inclusive Agri-AI

Aligned with the **UN International Year of Women Farmers (2026)**, AI4Agri will generate:

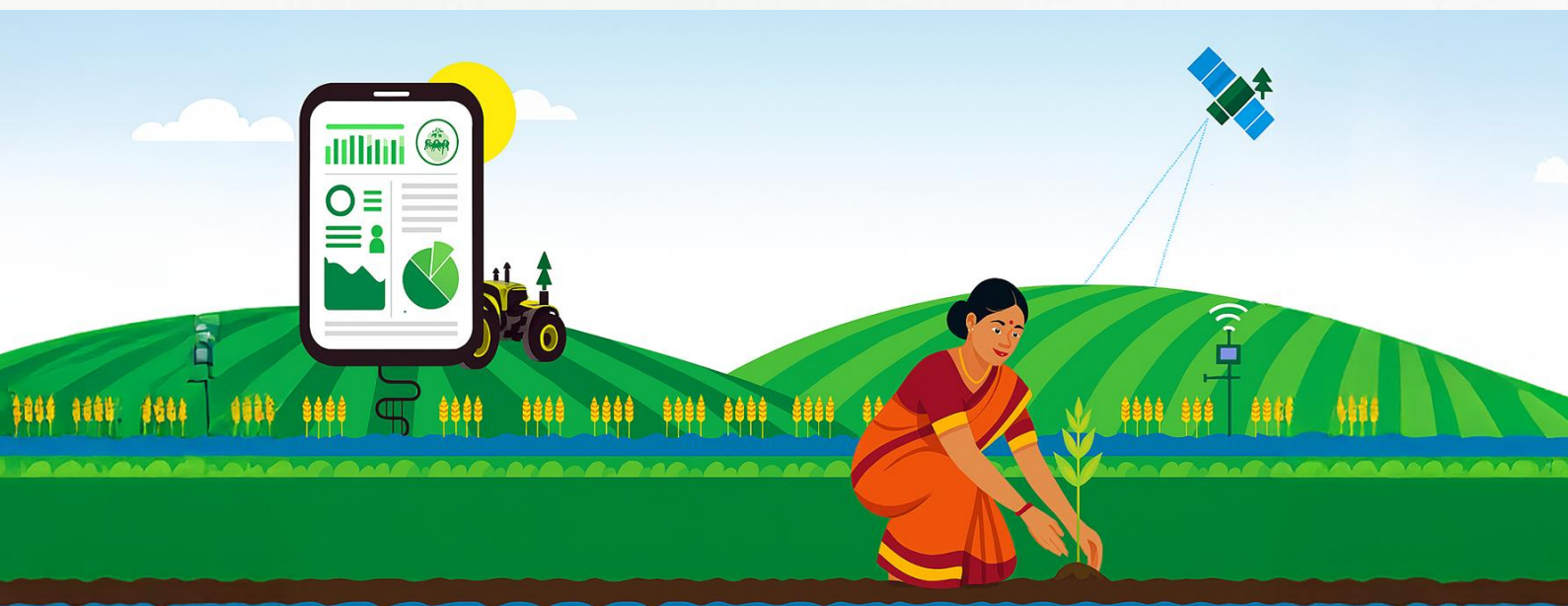
- Commitments on gender-responsive innovation
- New models for upskilling and supporting women farmers
- Frameworks for removing bias in AI datasets and tools
- A stronger global narrative for women-led digital transformation in agriculture

09

AI4Agri Synthesis Report: Roadmap for Future Editions

The Summit will culminate in a **Synthesis Report** capturing:

- Key insights from plenaries and Tracks
- Investment outcomes
- Policy recommendations
- Proposed agenda for AI4Agri 2027 and beyond to ensure continuity and build AI4Agri as a **multi-year global platform**
- Mumbai Declaration on Global compact for harnessing the potential of AI in Agriculture through collaboration and cocreation



AI4AGRI 2026 - Partnerships & Support Ecosystem

A Collaborative Ecosystem for Impact

AI4Agri 2026 is powered by a robust, multi-stakeholder partnership ecosystem that brings together governments, global development institutions, industry leaders, research organizations, investors, and civil society. These partnerships form the foundation of the Summit's credibility, reach, and impact—ensuring that AI4Agri serves as a globally significant platform for agricultural transformation.



Host & Lead Partners

Government of Maharashtra

AI4Agri 2026 is convened by the Government of Maharashtra under the leadership of the Department of Agriculture-AIAC, anchored in the State's pioneering **MahaAgri-AI Policy 2025–2029**. The State provides investment, strategic direction, institutional leadership, and integration with flagship agricultural programs and digital public infrastructure initiatives.

Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India

As an **Official Satellite Event of the India AI Impact Summit 2026**, AI4Agri benefits from national-level partnership, thought leadership, and alignment with India's broader AI mission, digital public infrastructure strategy, and innovation ecosystem.



Strategic Knowledge Partners

AI4Agri is supported by institutions driving global thinking on agriculture, technology, digital public goods, climate resilience, and responsible AI. These include:

- National and international universities
- CGIAR research centers
- Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) experts
- Responsible AI and governance bodies
- Think tanks and global policy research organizations



Global Development Partners

The Government of Maharashtra has received partnership support from leading international development institutions, including:

- **The World Bank**
- **Asian Development Bank (ADB)**
- **Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)**
- **International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)**
- **International Finance Corporation (IFC)**



Industry and Technology Partners

Industry leaders and technology companies will play a central role in showcasing innovations, sponsoring platforms, and engaging in pilots and scale-up initiatives. Partnerships will include:

- Top Consulting firms
- Leading tech companies
- AgriTech companies
- Climate Tech solution providers
- Telecom & cloud infrastructure providers
- Robotics, automation, and remote sensing innovators
- Input companies, market linkage platforms, and agribusinesses



Investment & Capital Partners

The Summit brings together a diverse investment community, including:

- Venture capital firms
- Impact and climate funds
- Corporate venture arms
- Sovereign wealth funds
- Development finance institutions
- Agri-focused private equity



Community, Farmer & FPO Partners

AI4Agri aims to ensure that farmers—especially women farmers—benefit from and shape the future of Agri-AI. Partners in this ecosystem include:

- Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs)
- Women-led self-help groups and collectives
- Cooperatives
- Civil society organizations



Research, Innovation & Academic Partners

Engagement with leading academic and research organizations strengthen scientific collaboration and evidence-based policymaking. Partners include:

- State Agricultural Universities (SAUs)
- IITs, IIMs and IISc
- National agricultural research systems (ICAR, CGIAR)
- Global AI research labs
- Universities focused on digital agriculture, climate modelling, and food systems innovation



Media & Outreach Partners

AI4Agri's global visibility will be amplified through collaboration with:

- International and national media
- Digital broadcasting platforms
- Sector-focused publications
- Technology, innovation, and agribusiness media houses



MahaAgri-AI Policy 2025–2029

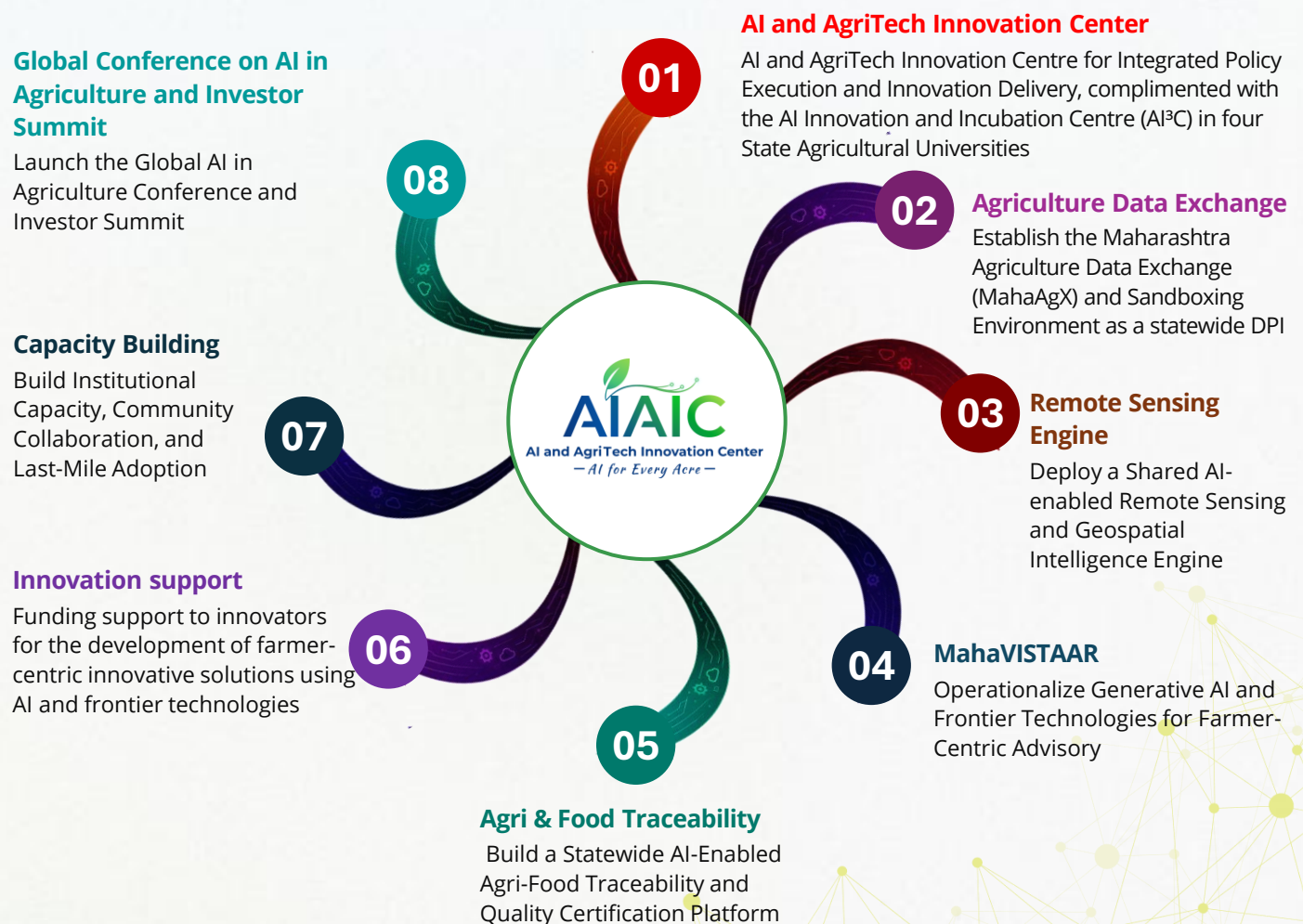
A Strategic Framework for Responsible and Scalable Agri-AI Transformation

Maharashtra has taken a pioneering step toward the future of agriculture through the **MahaAgri-AI Policy 2025–2029**, one of India’s most comprehensive frameworks for responsible and scalable deployment of Artificial Intelligence in the agricultural sector.

Supported by an initial budget allocation of **₹500 crore** for the first two years, the Policy lays out a mission-driven approach to enhance productivity, strengthen climate resilience, empower farmers—especially women farmers—and position the State as a leader in ethical, inclusive agricultural innovation.

Grounded in the principles of responsible AI, evidence-based policymaking, and multi-stakeholder collaboration, the Policy establishes ten strategic pillars that guide the State’s transformation agenda.

Policy Pillars



Tentative Conference Agenda

Day 1 – Sunday, 22 February 2026

Time	Jasmine Hall 1 (Plenary)	Meeting Room 204 (Parallel)	Meeting Room 202 (Parallel)
09:00-10:00	Registration		
10:00 – 11:20	Cultivating Equity: Bridging The Gender Digital Divide Through Responsible AI	Traceability as Digital Public Infrastructure(DPI) for Agri-Commodities: A Blueprint for Population Scale Implementation and Global Interoperability	The Trust Engine: Accelerating AI4Agri through Institutional Financing Architecture
11:20 – 11:30	Inauguration of the Exhibition Area followed by a Guided Stall Visit		
11:30-13:00	Keynote Session		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Shri. Nandan Nilekani – Chairman and Co-founder, Infosys and Founding Chairman UIDAI (Aadhaar) ❖ Shri. Rajesh Aggarwal – Hon'ble Chief Secretary, Government of Maharashtra ❖ Shri. Parameswaran Iyer – Executive Director, The World Bank Group ❖ Shri. Dejan Jakovljevic – Chief Information Officer and Director, Digital FAO and Agro-Informatics Division, FAO ❖ Shri. J. Satyanarayana – Chief Advisor, C4IR India, World Economic Forum ❖ Smt. Brenda Gunde – Lead Global Technical Specialist, ICT for Development, IFAD ❖ Dr. Angela Lusigi – UNDP Resident Representative India 		
13:00-14:10	Lunch		
14:10-15:00	Keynote Session		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Adv. Ashish Shelar - Hon'ble Minister of Information Technology & Cultural affairs, Government of Maharashtra ❖ Dr. Mangi Lal Jat, Hon'ble DG, ICAR and Secretary (DARE) – Ministry of Agriculture and FW, Government of India ❖ Ms. Mio Oka – Country Director, India Resident Mission, ADB ❖ Smt. Kanta Singh – Country Representative – India, UN Women 		
15:00-16:10	Inaugural Session		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Introductory Address by Shri. Vikas Chandra Rastogi – Hon'ble ACS (Agriculture), Government of Maharashtra ❖ Shri. Dattatray Bharane – Hon'ble Minister (Agriculture), Government of Maharashtra ❖ Dr. Jitendra Singh – Hon'ble Union Minister of State, Government of India ❖ Launch Event of MahaAgX, Bhili tribal language Large Language Model (LLM) , MahaVISTAAR Voice Telephony, Plant Pest & Disease Detection ❖ MoUs Exchange ❖ Inaugural Address by Shri. Devendra Fadnavis – Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of Maharashtra 		
16:10-17:00	Tea break		
17:00-18:30	AI across the Value Chain: Unlocking Inclusivity, Sustainability and efficiency	Shared digital foundations and Governance and Funding Architecture for AI4ARN	Reverse Pitching, FPO as adoption gateways for AI startups in Agriculture
18:30-19:30	-	Maharashtra Agriculture Data Exchange (MahaAgX): Secure, Interoperable, and Consent-Driven DPI Accelerating AI-Powered Agricultural Innovation	AI Convergence Pathways: Unlocking exponential gains through Emerging tech convergences
19.30- 21.00	Cultural Evening		

Day 2 – Monday, 23 February 2026

Time	Jasmine 1 (Plenary Session)	Meeting Room: 204 (Breakout Session)	Meeting Room: 202 (Breakout Session)
10:30-11:30	Status of Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) and Digital Public Goods (DPGs) for Agriculture at the Global Level	Scaling up Digital Agri Finance Models	Coding for Equality: Policy Levers for a Gender-Responsive Agri-AI Ecosystem
10:30-11:30	Round Table – Mainstreaming Artificial Intelligence in Agricultural Education: Skills, Innovation, Incubation and Institutional Transformation		
11:30-12:00	Tea break		
12:00-13:00	Investing in Agri-AI Futures: Investment, Markets & Scalable Innovations	Safety, Transparency & Risk Management Mechanisms	Transforming Agriculture at Scale through Remote Sensing and Geospatial Intelligence
13:00-14:00	Lunch		
14:00-15:00	Building a Global AI-Powered Agricultural Research Network (AI4ARN)	Co-designing for Her: Inclusive and Equitable AI Solutions for Women Farmers in India and Globally	Generative AI for Agriculture: Unlocking First-Mile Intelligence
15:00-15:30	Tea break		
15:30-17:00	Investment Arena		
17:00-17:30	Valedictory Session		



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