

## **Press Release**

Science & Technology Department, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025:

80 State Government Officials Trained in using AI Tools for DPR Preparation Gangtok, September 10: Leveraging the power of AI tools can help to develop clear, well-structured proposals quickly and effectively. As an initiative in this direction, the Sikkim State Council of Science and Technology, under the Science and Technology Department, conceptualized a one-day training for state government officials titled 'Smart Proposals, Smarter Governance'.

The objective of this training was to equip state government officials to use various AI tools such as ChatGPT, Gamma AI, Napkin AI, and Canva AI Magic Studio for drafting proposals, presentations, and data analysis.

The technical sessions were conducted by Dr. Prativa Rai, Assistant Scientific Officer (Master Resource Person), along with Kishore Gautam, Niraj Sharma, and Ujal Gautam as Technical Resource Persons. Following this training, the participants developed DPRs on their department-related topics using these AI tools and also presented them.

As on date, a total of 7 batches comprising 80 officials from 23 departments including senior officials have completed this training successfully. The programme received an aggregate feedback rating of 4.7 out of 5, reflecting its success and relevance. With rising interest, more departments are registering for future batches. The Science and Technology Department plans to expand such initiatives to the district level in future.



