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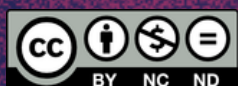


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About the Indian Society of Artificial Intelligence and Law



The Indian Society of Artificial Intelligence and Law (ISAIL.IN) is an artificial intelligence standards forum, founded by Abhivardhan in 2018 and incorporated in 2019. Our mission as an independent, not-for-profit industry forum for the analytics & AI industry in India is to promote responsible development of artificial intelligence and its standardisation in India.

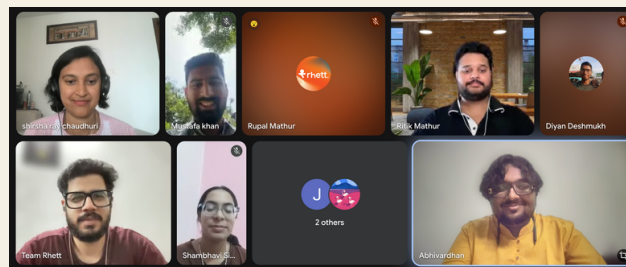
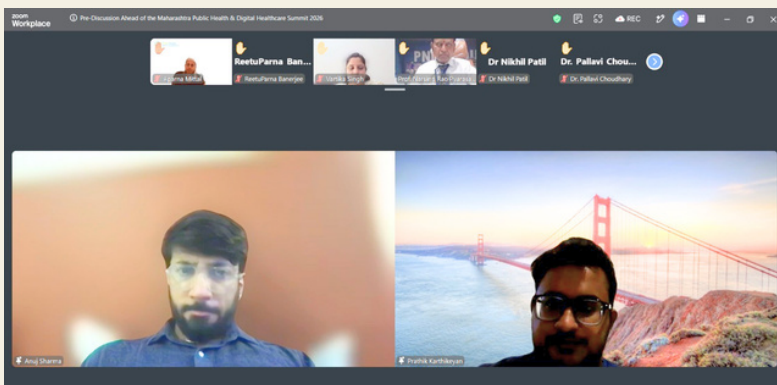
Enforcing AI standards in the Indian and Indo-Pacific markets is hard. And yet, ISAIL.IN intends to document data and inputs associated with the market tendencies around three facets of artificial intelligence: its adoption, research around it, and its real-life policy implications across as many sectors as possible.

This is why, the AiStandard.io Alliance, administered by ISAIL.IN, intends to establish an allies of AI entities in India, Asia and the Global South, to develop market-friendly AI standards, with sector-specific, and sector-neutral contexts.

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Here is a list of key achievements of the Indian Society of Artificial Intelligence and Law for the year 2025-26.

- Co-published India's first AI Industry Diffusion Report focusing on Central India (Uttar Pradesh), called UP.AIACT.IN Report 2026, presenting 77 sector-specific recommendations across 10 industries.
- ISAIL expanded its operational footprint by formalizing institutional, academic, and policy partnerships. Its 2025–26 collaboration model relies on three primary tiers: Knowledge Partners under the newly launched AiStandard.io Alliance, event/institutional knowledge partnerships, and global dialogue associations.
 - Anrak Legal (ANRAK ONE EDGE): Official Knowledge Partner under Schedule 6 of the Alliance Charter, focusing on AI & cybersecurity governance, open-source legal AI, competition policy, and data governance.
 - UPAI.space: Strategic Partner bridging AI governance frameworks with grassroots developer communities and technical education.
 - Chandigarh University Uttar Pradesh (CU-UP): Strategic AI Ecosystem Partner collaborating on AI research, academic policy, and skill development.
 - Centre for Cyber Law Research (CCLR), ICFAI University Dehradun: Academic Knowledge Partner collaborating on tech-law research and AI co-learning.
 - AI-HSE Forum: Knowledge Partner on AI applications in Health, Safety & Environment (HSE) and predictive risk management.
 - ET Edge AI Series: Institutional Governance and Knowledge Partner for the ET Edge AI Summit & Disruptors Awards 2026, 11th ET Edge GCC Summit Bengaluru, and ET AI Summit.
 - GNLU Legal Services Committee: Knowledge Partner for the 7th Annual Legal Services Forum (GALSF 2026) centered on AI for Access to Justice.
 - ET Now Tech Next Summit 2025: Supporting Association partner advising on legal frameworks, ethics, and corporate AI deployment.

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- Rhett Legal partnered with ISAIL, Legal Wiki, and HPNLU to launch "The Code of Law Challenge 2026," a national legal-tech hackathon dedicated to building AI-driven contract tools and expanding technology access across Tier-2 and Tier-3 India.
- Additionally, ISAIL and Rhett convened the "Tech for Legal in India 2026" joint dialogue to analyze why AI adoption priorities and infrastructure needs differ fundamentally across Indian law firms, advocate chambers, and courts.

Current Partnerships



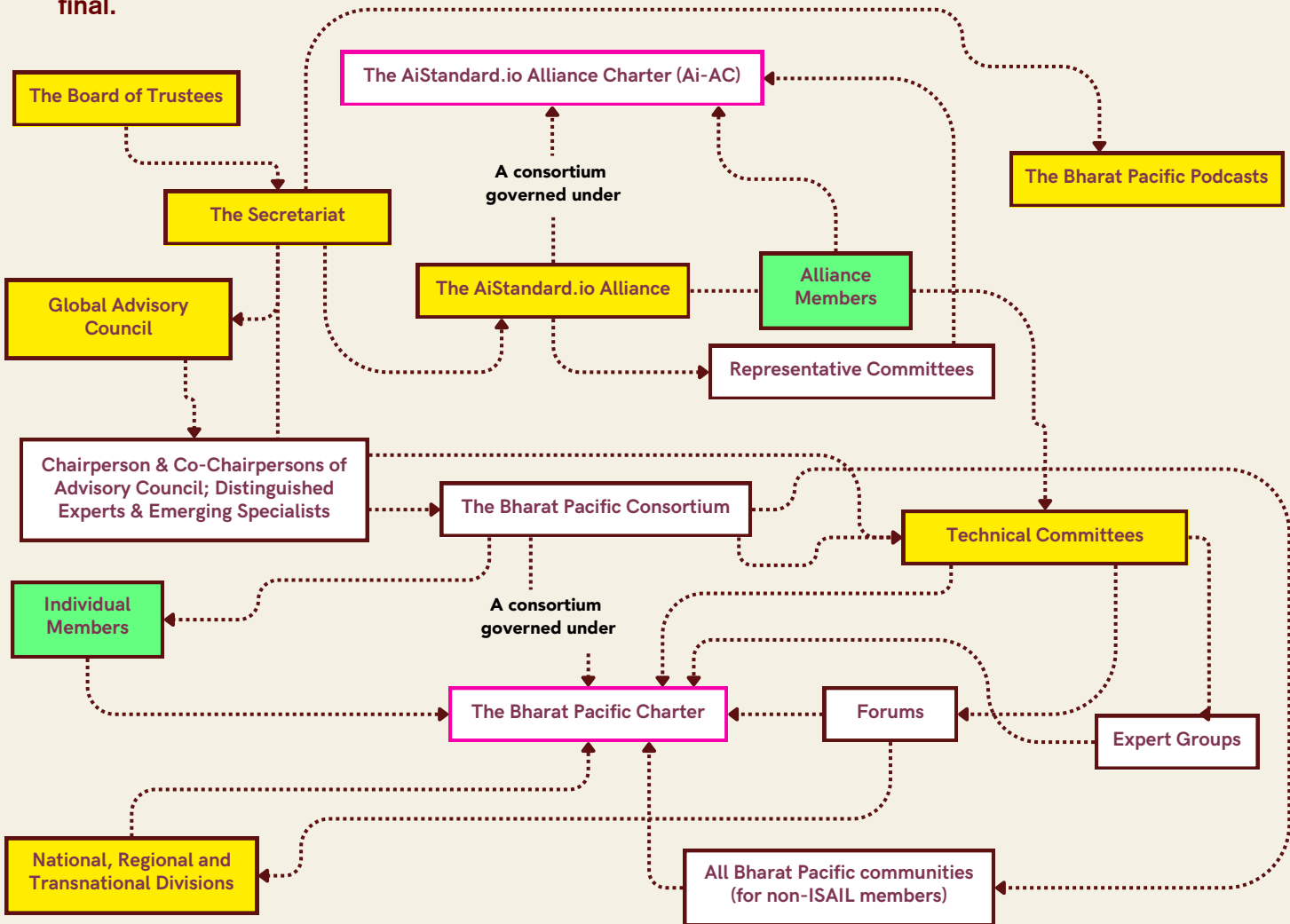
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The ISAIL.IN System

The Indian Society of Artificial Intelligence and Law, has been, by and large - an Artificial Intelligence community, and an AI industry forum. This flowchart below (updated as of August 7, 2026) - gives an accurate picture of the decision-making system of ISAIL.IN.

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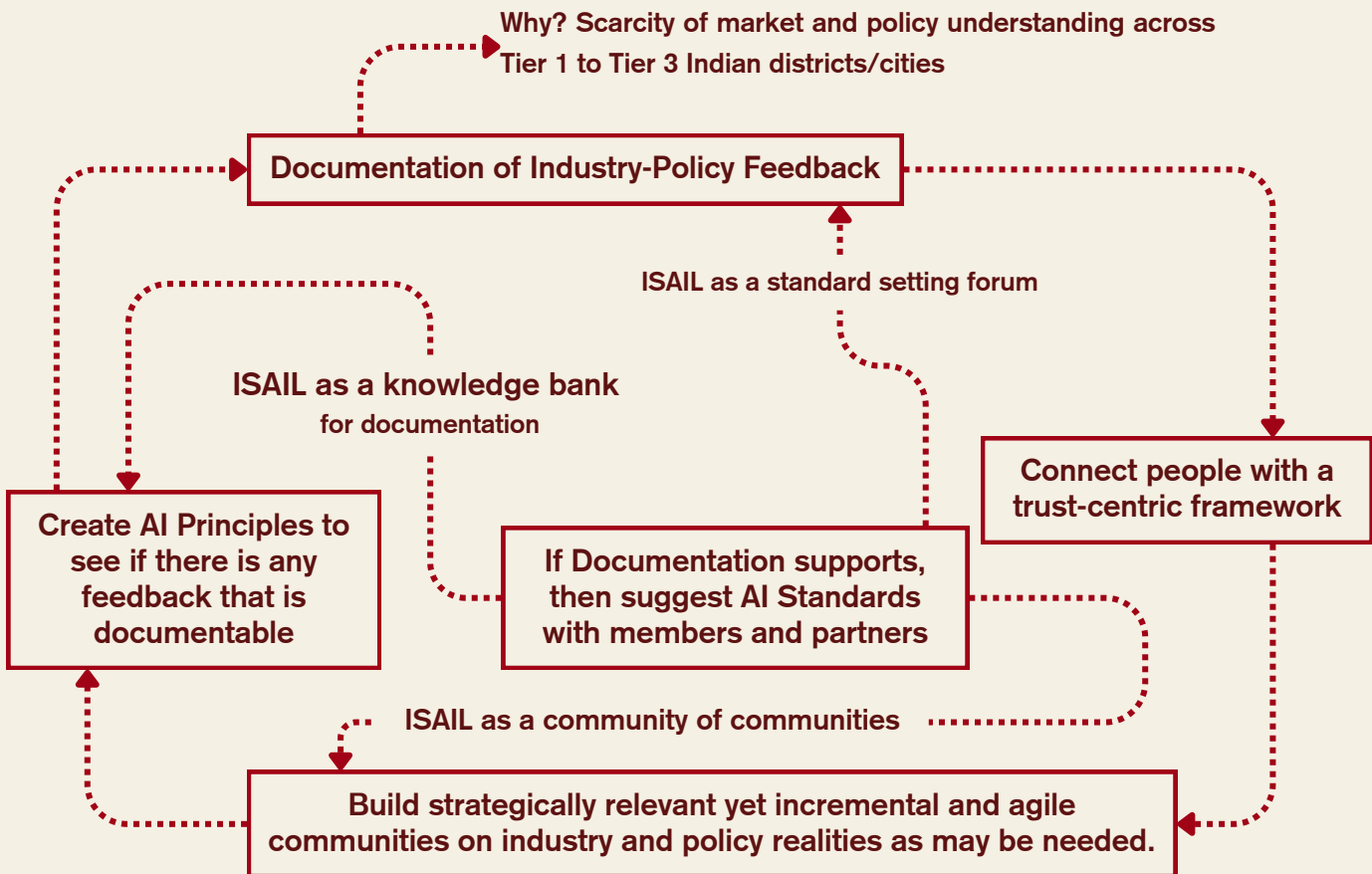
- Yellow indicates executive bodies.
- The magenta border indicates the bye-laws governing committees, groups, divisions and consortiums, specifically.
- Green indicates categories of ISAIL members.
- The interpretation of the Board of Trustees of ISAIL, of this organogram, shall be considered final.



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Our AI Standardisation Mandate

As announced as early as of mid-2024, the mandate of AiStandard.io was established early-on. The flowchart below clearly explains what is the purpose of ISAIL.IN and why do we intend to engage in AI Standardisation.



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Our AI Standardisation Mandate

Enforcing AI standards in the Indian and Indo-Pacific market is hard and it requires us to collect data and inputs associated with the market tendencies around three facets of artificial intelligence: its adoption, research around it, and its real-life policy implications across as many sectors as possible. In fact, in the lingo of public policy, there are 3 types of realities that markets, government institutions and technical stakeholders face:

- The knowns (something that we know)
- The unknowns (something that we don't know)
- The unknown unknowns (something that we don't know that we don't know)

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Since ISAIL.IN as a trust is a community, no documentation published is guided by commercial expectations. All outcome documents that we produce are guided to provide some tangible data, anecdotal and inputs on the state of market practices around the adoption of, research in and the impact of AI.

So now, let's ask: What is AiStandard.io?

The AiStandard.io Alliance intends to establish an allies of AI entities in India, Asia and the Global South, to develop market-friendly AI standards, with sector-specific, and sector-neutral contexts.

The standards could be legal, economic, ethical, or purely policy-based. They could be limited to - let's say - things like - HR policy, or knowledge management, or cybersecurity, or the use of specific classes of fourth party AI tools.

The AiStandard.io Alliance is administered by the Indian Society of Artificial Intelligence and Law, under the Principles of AI Standardisation and the AiStandard.io Alliance Charter (Ai-AC).

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Here's what we have achieved in a span of 1 year.

11

Knowledge Partnerships were finalised

7

Entities have joined as an Alliance member, more are subject to negotiations

32

Outcome Documents have been uploaded on the IndoPacific.App

5

Event-specific Knowledge Partnerships were finalised in line with the Schedule 6 of the AiStandard.io Alliance Charter

End of an Era: Research Internship Programmes

Owing to our increased focus towards achieving AI Standardisation, the Board of Trustees of ISAIL.IN decided to discontinue the 5-year long Research Internship Programmes that we had started in January 2020.

Here are some stats around the Research Internship Programme.

200+
approx.

Students of law, policy, technology and social sciences were mentored through this programme in 5 years

~73%

Students completed the full term of the Research Internship Programme

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We also assessed students based on a list of specific attributes: (1) Teamwork; (2) Communication Skills; (3) Leadership and Conviction; (4) Time Management; (5) Academic Brevity; (6) Academic Credibility; (7) Research Consistency; (8) All-Comprehensiveness.

The table below gives an estimate of Skill Area Performance Averages (Active Students Only).

Skill Area	Average
Teamwork	72.1
Communication Skills	74.2
Leadership and Conviction	71.3
Time Management	70.8
Academic Brevity	75.4
Academic Credibility	70.2
Research Consistency	67.1
All-Comprehensiveness	67.9

We also estimate that around 32 students were top performers, with an average score of 85.5.

The table below represents some Programme Effectiveness Metrics of the Research Internship Programme.

Metric	Value	Value
Overall Completion Rate	89.30%	Industry: 75%
Average Efficiency Score	71.8	Target: 70+
High Performer Rate	21.50%	Target: 20%
Skills Gap Areas	Research, Time Mgmt	Focus Areas

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Future Initiatives

- ISAIL.IN will launch a fellowship under the leadership of Ayushi Agarwal & Deepanshu Singh, Co-Chairpersons of the Global Advisory Council in the law, policy and technical facets of AI safety.
- The Board of Trustees and the Secretariat have unanimously decided to standardise the ISAIL Individual Membership Application Procedure.
- Indic Pacific will be the primary research partner for ISAIL.IN in pushing ISAIL.IN's AI standardisation efforts under the AIStandard.io Alliance.
- ISAIL.IN will continue with its AI Standardisation efforts as an AI industry-policy community.
- ISAIL.IN will create and enable The AI Standard Stack, a AI and business methodology co-developed by Abhivardhan from Indic Pacific Legal Research and Bogdan Grigorescu, Bahadur Shah and Sunil Khemka representing ISAIL.IN. This Stack methodology helps in documenting AI use cases (AI applications) and AI skills in a sector-neutral way, which generates reasonable feedback and input about AI use cases, AI skills and any plausible underlying relationship among them.

