

**Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology**  
**Major achievements for the month of October, 2022**

The significant developments pertaining to Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology for the month of October, 2022 are as given below:

**1. Digital Payments**

BHIM-UPI has continued to show upward trend by recording over 730.54 crore transactions, with value of Rs 12.12 lakh crore in October, 2022 in comparison to 678.08 crore transactions, with value of Rs 11.16 lakh crore in September, 2022. It indicates the increasing adoption of BHIM UPI as the preferred mode for making digital payment transactions.

**2. International Cooperation**

**(i) Meeting of Secretary, MeitY with Ambassador, Kingdom of the Netherlands**

A meeting between Mr. Marten van den Berg, Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and Secretary, MeitY held on 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2022 at MeitY. Both sides explored the possibilities of having joint science & innovation collaborations in the ICT domain and to further strengthen the bilateral cooperation.

**(ii) Meeting of Dutch Delegation with Digital India team of Digilocker & UIDAI authorities**

A delegation from the Netherlands led by Mr. Cornelis J. Groeneveld, Head of Consular Affairs & Operational Management, Kingdom of Netherlands had a meeting with the Digital India programme management team at MeitY to learn about the country's public digital platforms of Digilocker and Aadhar. The meeting ended with Dutch side expressing keen interest in the workings of both the platforms.

**(iii) Meeting between Hon'ble MEIT and representatives from the US-India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF)**

A delegation from the US-India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF) called on Hon'ble MEIT on 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2022 at New Delhi to discuss and deliberate on the transformative changes happening in India. During the deliberations wide ranging discussions were held on electronics manufacturing, nuances of digital economy and issues of bilateral trade.

(iv) **Meeting with U.S Deputy Assistant Secretary for South and Central Asia**

A meeting was held with Her Excellency Nancy Jackson, U.S. Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for South and Central Asia on 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2022 at MeitY. The Indian side was represented by Shri Sushil Pal, Joint Secretary, MeitY and other senior officials. Both sides pointed to the fruitful discussions held earlier on 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2022 for the meeting on the Information and Communication Technology Working Group (ICTWG). The issues of Digital Trade, global supply chains for hardware and emerging technologies, security of supply chains, electronics manufacturing including semiconductor ecosystem, payment system interoperability, approach to 5G and open radio access network technology (O-RAN) were widely discussed.

(v) **Meeting with BMDV, Germany on India's upcoming G20 Presidency & Review of Indo-German Digital Dialogue 2022**

A meeting was held between Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure (BMDV), Germany and senior officials of MeitY. The agenda for the meeting included the achievements of Digital India, discussions on current digital policy developments, Indo German Digital Dialogue, India's presidency of G20 and Draft Work Plan of 2023-24. Both sides agreed to continue discussions with series of meetings planned for the coming months.

**3. Electronics Manufacturing**

- (i) **Electronics Manufacturing Cluster (EMC):** Grant-in-aid amounting to Rs. 6.09 crore was sanctioned to CFC project at Aurangabad, Maharashtra.
- (ii) **Modified Programme for development of semiconductors and display manufacturing ecosystem in India:** The Union Cabinet had approved certain modifications on 21.09.2022 in the Programme for development of semiconductors and display manufacturing ecosystem in India. All the revised schemes have been notified on 04.10.2022.

**4.** Digital India Conference of State IT Ministers was held from 1-3 October, 2022. National as well as State level issues pertaining to Digital India were deliberated.

**5.** Knowledge sharing session on UMANG was organised for the Government of Malaysia.