

6. Casebook On Ai- Governance

Casebook on AI and Gender Empowerment Launched at India AI Impact Summit 2026. The Casebook on AI and Gender Empowerment (2026) proves that India is moving beyond policy rhetoric to measurable impact. By integrating LLMs for legal aid (NyayaSakhi) and AI-driven welfare matching (HELPSTiR), the government is using technology to create a safer and more inclusive society. This initiative reinforces the "Delhi Approach" to AI- that a model's success is measured by its ability to empower the most vulnerable.

1. Institutional Framework and Scope

Developed By- The India AI Mission under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY).

Key Partners- Developed in collaboration with UN Women and supported by the Ministry of Women and Child Development (MoWCD).

The Collection- The casebook features 23 real-world AI solutions curated from across the Global South.

Core Objective- To demonstrate that AI, when designed with a gender-responsive lens, can serve as a "force multiplier" for SDG 5 (Gender Equality).

2. Comparison of Key AI Initiatives

Feature	NyayaSakhi-SWATI	HELPSTiR	YASHODA AI
Primary Function	Legal Decision-Support Assistant for domestic violence survivors.	Hyperlocal matching platform for welfare and emergency requests.	Human-cantered learning tool for digital safety and AI risks.
Technology	LLM (Large Language Model) & RAG (Retrieval-Augmented Generation).	AI-powered automated matching engine for civil society.	Blended AI (AI tools + facilitated in-person learning).
Core Impact	Provides estimates of statutory reliefs and case duration to survivors.	Matches vulnerable women with nearby NGOs, shelters, and hospitals.	Builds awareness and confidence against AI-enabled risks (e.g., deepfakes).
Deployment	Initial focus on Maharashtra; serving low-income communities.	Pilot stage in Delhi; expanding to Tier 1, 2, and 3 cities.	Served 5,500 women across 29 cities in 12 States and 4 UTs.
Design Goal	Reduces "information asymmetry" before filing a legal case.	Removes digital barriers to accelerate benefit delivery.	Acts as a learning mechanism rather than an automated enforcer.

3. Critical Sectors of Intervention

The casebook identifies 23 solutions categorized into six high-impact domains-

Healthcare- Focus on menstrual health tracking and targeted maternal interventions in low-resource settings.

Economic Empowerment- AI-driven tools for financial inclusion and credit-scoring for women entrepreneurs.

Digital Safety- Preventing technology-facilitated gender-based violence (TFGBV) and deepfake-based harassment.

Climate & Agriculture- AI models for climate resilience specifically tailored for women smallholder farmers.

Access to Justice- Providing legal clarity and "pathways to justice" through automated legal-aid assistants.

Education- Personalized learning and vocational skill development powered by generative AI.

4. The Strategic Need for Gender-Responsive AI

Bridging the Digital Divide- Women often lack the digital literacy to navigate complex online spaces; tools like YASHODA AI bridge this "cyber-risk" gap.

Reducing Information Asymmetry- In legal and welfare systems, women are often excluded because they do not know their rights or available benefits (NyayaSakhi and HELPSTiR solve this).

Addressing Algorithmic Bias- Traditional AI can produce biased outcomes (e.g., in hiring or lending). The casebook advocates for bias audits and inclusive datasets to ensure fairness.

Strengthening Public Service- AI allows for "hyper-personalized" delivery of health and welfare, ensuring that benefits reach the "last-mile" woman beneficiary.

5. Significance- Positioning India as a Global Leader

Operationalizing Women-Led Development- Shifts the role of women from mere "consumers" of technology to AI creators and leaders.

Global South Leadership- Through the India AI Mission, India showcases that "Responsible AI" is not a luxury for the West but a necessity for the developing world.

Scalable Governance- The casebook provides tested deployment models that other nations can replicate to achieve their sustainable development goals.

Embedding Ethics by Design- It demonstrates that transparency, inclusion, and human oversight can coexist with rapid technological innovation.

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