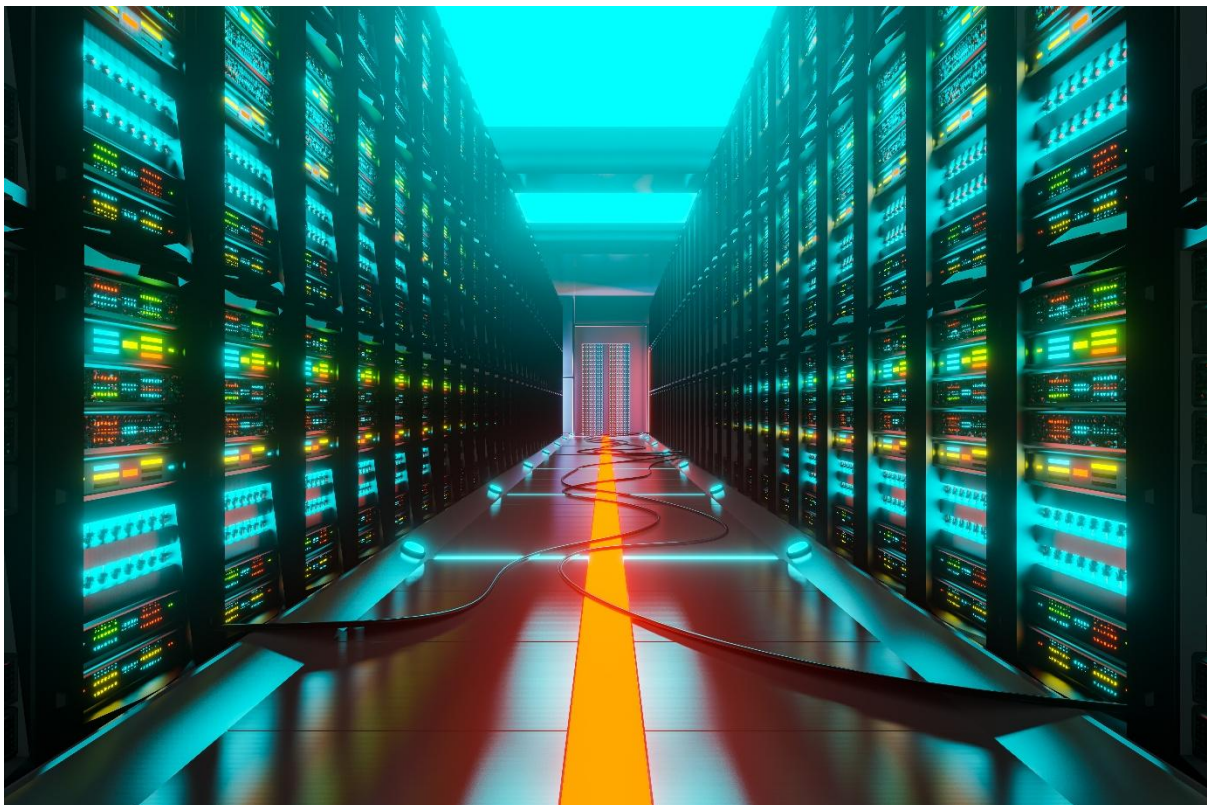


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The Government of Andhra Pradesh has constituted the Data Centre Advisory Council as a step toward positioning the State as India's digital infrastructure hub. The government, in G.O. 46 issued on Monday, said that the newly formed Council will steer the State's policy, infrastructure, and investment roadmap to achieve 6,000 MW of data centre capacity by 2030, with Visakhapatnam as the flagship destination for next-generation, AI-driven data infrastructure.

Building on the Andhra Pradesh Data Centre Policy 4.0, the initiative aims to translate marquee commitments, including Google's 1 GW and Sify Infinity's 550 MW, into rapid on-ground expansion, job-creation, and global investor confidence-boosting avenues.

The Council will advise the government on a time-bound execution roadmap encompassing renewable power integration, high-capacity fibre connectivity, dedicated DC parks, plug-and-play campuses, streamlined clearances, and real-estate policies customised for hyperscale development. The Council will also focus on talent development, cybersecurity resilience, and global investor outreach to meet the 2030 target.

The Council includes representation from leading global and domestic stakeholders across the data centre ecosystem — Microsoft Azure (Cloud & AI), NTT GDC India, and ST Telemedia GDC (global operators); Cushman & Wakefield and JLL (real estate and land advisory); Pi Data Centers (state ecosystem); Schneider Electric (power and cooling), and Jio Platforms (connectivity).

Policy and ecosystem support will come from NASSCOM, DSCI, ISPAI, and IEEMA, while Andhra University, IIM Visakhapatnam, and IIT Tirupati will provide academic and research depth. Resilience and security are strengthened through CERT-In, APSDMA, APTS (State Cyber Security Operations Centre), and APSFL, ensuring secure, scalable growth.

The Council will operate through domain-specific sub-committees and task forces, supported by a Secretariat drawn from ITE&C and APEDB, with technical coordination by Primus Partners. This structure will ensure close synchronisation between decision-making, utilities, and project timelines, accelerating the conversion of anchor investments from Google and Sify into operational capacity.