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NOTIFICATION

Whereas the Government of Sikkim has been making several efforts to promote the use of Information & Communication Technology (ICT) in the State with the objective of achieving complete digital governance to bring transparency and efficiency in delivering various Government services, schemes and programmes for enhancing the quality of life of citizens, providing good governance and ensuring development with equity.

Whereas recognizing the critical role of data in enabling innovation and evidence-based policymaking, the Government has taken a decisive step forward through the formulation of the Sikkim State Data Policy, 2025. The Sikkim State Data Policy, 2025 reflects the unwavering commitment of the Government to build a data-driven ecosystem that promotes transparency, efficiency, and accountability in public administration.

Now, therefore, in line with the above and with approval of the competent authority, the Department of Information Technology (DIT), Government of Sikkim is pleased to notify the implementation of the "**Sikkim State Data Policy, 2025**".

The Sikkim State Data Policy, 2025 aims to establish a robust framework for data governance, ensuring that data generated, collected, and maintained by various Departments, Public Sector Undertakings, Autonomous Bodies, and other Government entities of the State are managed as a strategic asset. The Policy emphasizes principles of data sharing, interoperability, privacy protection, data security, and ethical use of data to promote transparency, efficiency, and evidence-based decision-making in governance.

DIT shall be the Nodal Department for the implementation of the Sikkim State Data Policy, 2025.

All Departments and public agencies shall comply with the provisions of the Sikkim State Data Policy 2025, and take necessary steps for its implementation within their respective jurisdictions in a time-bound manner. Detailed Compliance Plan and Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for Sikkim State Data Policy, 2025 have been issued separately by DIT.

This Notification shall come into force with immediate effect.

Secretary
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