

India's National AI & Computational Thinking Curriculum — Mandatory From Class 3, Starting 2026-27

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Quality score: 53/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

India's Ministry of Education, CBSE and NCERT are mandating AI and Computational Thinking as a curriculum strand from Class 3 onward, starting the 2026-27 session, with teacher orientation for over 10 million educators planned through the national NISHTHA programme.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of learning impact	0/3
Equity & inclusion	1/3
Transparency, ethics & data protection	2/3
Teacher capability & pedagogy	2/3
Scalability & sustainability	3/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-22

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