

Nasscom plans 115 digital literacy centres this year across India

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The Nasscom Foundation is planning to set up 115 more digital literacy centres across the country to take the total to 250 centres by the year-end. It is working with corporates and local governments to spread digital literacy in the country. So far have 135 centres across the country.

In Hyderabad it launched its eighth Digital Literacy Centre in association with Belgium-based business conglomerate Colruyt. The firm signed an agreement with the Foundation to support the centre set up at Borabanda, home to slums.

Besides rural areas, it is focusing on urban slums to spread digital literacy and make them employable in the organised sector. Digital literacy is also helping them in getting access to government services and other services offered by the private sector. Typically, each centre trains 1,000 people a year. Each will get a 20-hour literacy session, initiating them to the basics of computers and digital services. Finally, the foundation will conduct an exam and will provide certificates to those who clear it.

The Foundation launched the digital literacy mission two years ago.

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