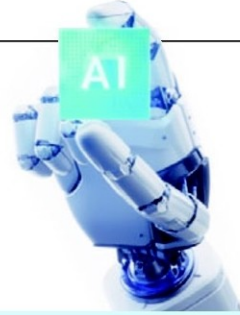


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## A PwC report

### AI

#### Key challenges

- The government should invest in AI education, upskilling and collaborating with the private sector to scale effectively
- Clear and robust legislation should be enacted to balance innovation with accountability, establishing guidelines for safe AI usage
- Initiatives should be launched to responsibly educate the public and encourage participation across all segments of society
- Emphasising the development of indigenous technologies and solutions to ensure AI is secure
- Current framework needs to prioritise high impact areas and distribute the budget according to these priorities.

#### Industry ask

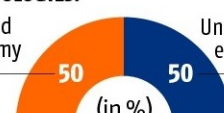
- Invest in AI infra such as high-end hardware, software, and their supporting ecosystem
- Increased funding for AI research through a greater thrust on R&D such as academic institutions, innovation centers, and a thriving startup ecosystem
- Prioritised financing options and tax incentives for firms investing heavily in AI R&D, running AI upskilling programmes for educational institutes or relevant bodies working in the priority sectors such as agri, health, and defence

## Snapshot

### GROWTH PROJECTIONS


GLOBAL IMPACT OF AUTOMATION TECHNOLOGIES:

Affected economy



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Unaffected economy



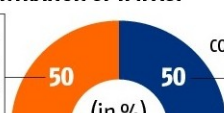
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CONCENTRATION OF IMPACT

China, India, Japan, USA



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Other countries



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AN AI REGULATION GIVES COMFORT AROUND PRIVACY, PERMISSIBLE PURPOSE, ETHICAL AND SECURE AI. IT SHOULD BE SECTOR-SPECIFIC AND TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE NET IMPACT OF ADOPTION AT SCALE FOR THE SECTOR ”

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