

* Centre eases compliance for ITES, BPOs

- Simplified guidelines for OSPs
 - ↳ for BPOs & ITES
 - IT-enabled services
- Purpose: To reduce compliance burden
- OSPs → Other Service Providers
 - ↳ entities providing application services, ITES or any other kind of outsourcing services using telecom resources.
- New rules
 - ↳ Create a friendly regime for 'work from home' & 'work from anywhere'
 - ↳ removing several reporting and other obligations.
- Aim is to position India as one of the most competitive IT jurisdiction.

* STPI invests ₹400 crore in infra

- Software Technology Parks of India
 - invest in setting office and connectivity infra
 - offering small-tech firms a 'plug and play' facility
- New park @
 - ↳ Darbhanga, Bhagalpur, Deoghar, Kochi, Koraput, Kohima, Thiruvananthapuram.
- Incubation infra in progress in
 - ↳ Mohali, Srinagar, Prayagraj, Bengaluru, Agartala, Jaipur, Ranchi, Kolkata & Nagpur.
- Next Gen Incubation Scheme
 - ↳ offering grants & incubation opportunities for startups
- STPI → set up in 1991 as an autonomous society under MeitY
 - ↳ objective is promotion of software exports
 - ↳ implements Software Tech Park scheme & Electronic Hardware Tech Park scheme.
 - ↳ special focus on SMEs & startup units