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Press Release
India - Djibouti Workshop on AI

The India - Djibouti Workshop on AI was held in a hybrid mode on 11 September 2026 with participants from Djibouti physically present at the Mahatma Gandhi Center for Leadership and Entrepreneurship (MGCLE) in Djibouti and speakers and investor of Voxket.ai present online on 11 September 2026. The workshop on AI was the first of its kind involving an AI company on the Indian side and Startups and SMEs of Djibouti on the other side. The main agenda of the event was to explore potential for B2B collaboration and to promote bilateral investment in the field of Digital services and AI.

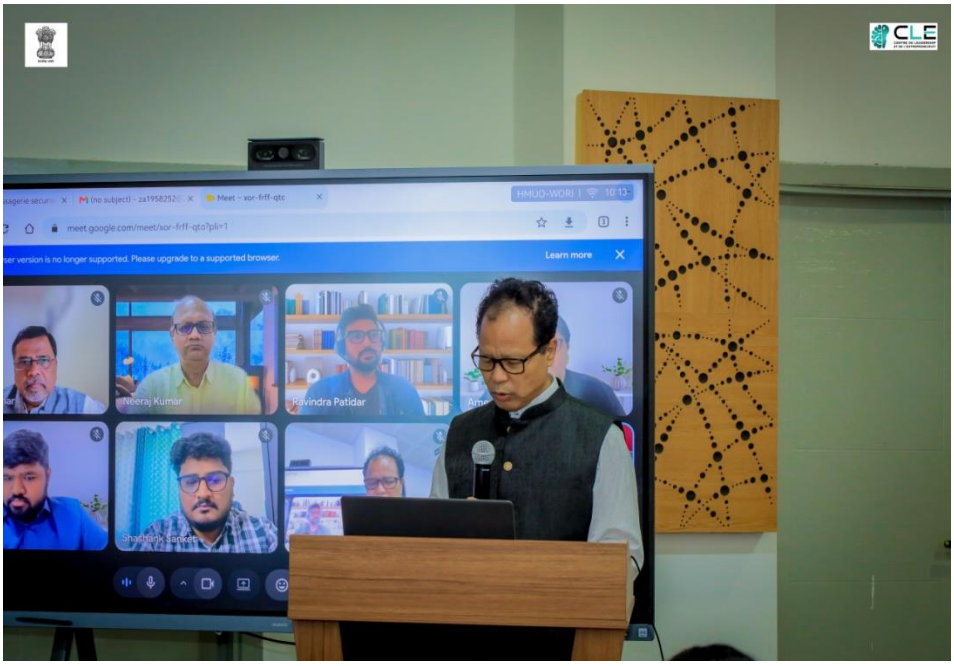
Djibouti is fast evolving as a hub for Digital Services, and has been positively engaging with India in the digital field. Recently two Indian AI companies participated in the 1st Djibouti AI Forum with the support of the Electronics and Computer Software Export Promotion Council (ESC) of India. The delegation of the Central Bank of Djibouti participated in the Global Fintech Forum in Mumbai.

The Ambassador in his opening speech remarked that the MGCLE inaugurated on 22 November 2018 by Hon'ble President of Djibouti is the testimony to the enduring partnership between India and Djibouti. MGCLE is now being run by the Government of Djibouti and various training courses are conducted in the Centre. The Ambassador expressed happiness that MGCLE is being utilized by the Djiboutian budding entrepreneurs. On a bilateral level, currently, India is working on a grant project "Accelerating Digital Transformation for SMEs in Djibouti". MGCLE will be the implementing agency under the guidance of the Ministry of Digital Economy and Innovation. The project will establish a national system for SMEs, and an operational service framework will be embedded within MGCLE.

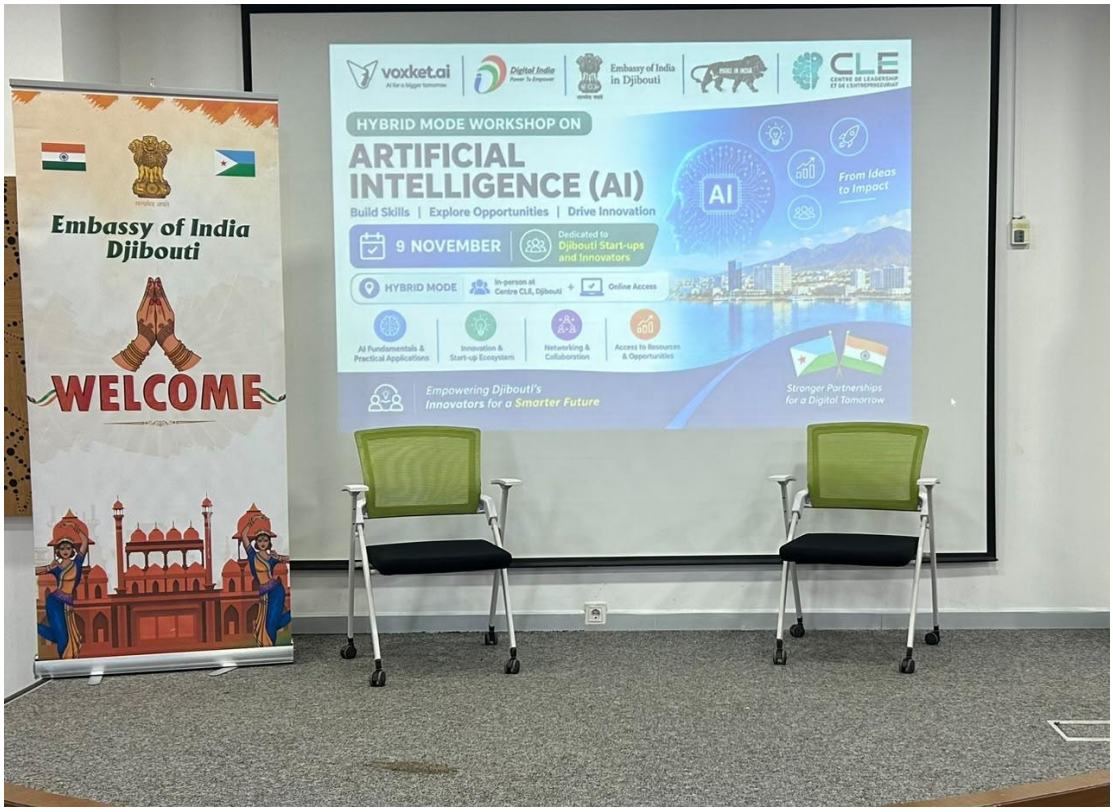
Mr. Mohamed Yacin Ahmed, Director General (DG) of the MGCLE in his speech thanked the Government of India for building this Center. The DG further conveyed that he was convinced that the main purpose of building the Center which was to help young entrepreneurs and startups in the MSME sector will help Djibouti diversify its economy. The initiative will be a driving force for competitiveness and job creation for the Djiboutian youth. Cherishing India's towering achievement in Digital Technology, the DG commended Voxket.ai to come forward for the workshop and invited many more such opportunities of collaboration. For the Embassy, the DG said "it is your home and are welcomed to organise bilateral promotional events in the premises". The DG expressed satisfaction at the Indian Embassy's approach to connecting Voxket.ai directly with the startups and entrepreneurs to assess for themselves their options for collaboration.

The workshop started with an opening speech by the Ambassador and the DG, MGCLE followed by the Voxket.ai team giving detailed understanding of Large Language Models, knowledge of guardrails, Chatbots and AI Agents. The sessions delved deep into AI options for Djibouti in the field of ports and logistics, public services, telecom, tourism, MSMEs and serving people in their own languages. The workshop followed through the accountability, safety and security measures in AI. The highlight of the event was a detailed questions and answers round. It was announced that all the registered participants would be given Certificate of participation at an appropriate occasion.

The Embassy plans to continue engaging with the MGCLE and support in its endeavour to generate start ups, entrepreneurs, MSMEs, and help collaborations through joint ventures of the MSMEs of the Republic of Djibouti with that of India.






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