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Message

It gives me immense pleasure to learn that Mr. Kuldeep Singh is bringing out a book titled **“Exploring the Metaverse: Redefining Reality in the Digital Age”** embarking the ongoing technological advancements and unleashing the transformative potential for the impetus to solve the global challenges.

Bharat has taken a leap forward in the technology-dominated era. The New Age Governance requires technology-based solutions for amicable redressal of local as well as global concerns. The Digital India programme launched by the Government aims to transform the Nation into a knowledge-based economy and a digitally empowered society by ensuring digital services, digital access, digital inclusion, digital empowerment and bridging the digital divide. Society and Science always co-evolves and tech-based tools always become an important bridge in this process. The changing paradigm of the digital age has made an imperative to redefine the realities of the digital age for betterment of the humanity. The success of the Public Digital platforms like Aadhaar, UPI, Digilocker, UMANG, Cowin, AarogyaSetu, GeM, Diksha, E-Sanjeevani, E-Hospital, E-Office, Tele-Law, Tele-medicine, AI-assisted tool like Bhashini, OpenNyAI have been phenomenal. These platforms not only facilitated “Ease of Living” but also empowered the lives of common citizens.

As the Nation is now poised to internationalise India’s most significant contribution to the Digital world in this Techade, this book is a commendable effort towards showcasing technological acumen for the reference of the tech fraternity. Considering the challenges of the digital world, the emphasis of the book to build upon *responsible tech* is an appreciable intervention. This skillfully and lucidly written book emerges as an essential addition to the library of any reader interested in the innovations and reflections of technology as well as its multidimensional application for the global good.

I convey my best wishes for the successful publication of the book and for all future endeavours.

(Arjun Ram Meghwal)