Ministry of Communications & Information Technology Department of Information Technology

National Informatics Centre Data Center & Web Services Division (DC&WS)

Web Hosting Services of NIC

NIC is providing web hosting services to the various Indian Government Ministries / Departments / Organisations / Institutions as well as State Government Departments and District Administrations.

1. Web Hosting Infrastructure:

NIC has setup a huge web hosting infrastructure in its state of the art IDC(Internet Data Centre) which includes a large number of performance tuned, hi-end and secured servers connected to a state of art SAN(Storage Area Network). The Data Centre is connected to Internet on a high speed/bandwidth (4 gbps).

Network load balancing and clustering solutions are also implemented on the infrastructure to effectively manage the heavy load on the websites / portals during peakhours and to ensure a high degree of availability and performance.

2. Domain Name:

There are around 4000 Domain Names already registered in NIC.IN Domain, used by the Web Sites/Portals/Web Applications belonging to various Union/State Government Ministries / Departments/organizations etc. As the domain name space under NIC.IN is owned by National Informatics Centre (NIC), NIC offers Domain Name Registration under .NIC.IN free of charge as a part of its hosting services.

The web hosting services are also extended on other domains like GOV.IN, ORG.IN, .AC.IN, .COM, .EDU, .ORG etc... If the site has to be hosted on any of the abovementioned Domains, the User Department has to get the Domain Name registration / renewal done through Domain Registrar. However the NIC officials will extend necessary technical support for the above mentioned task. Once the registration process is over, the site will be hosted on the desired Domain Name.

3. Hosting Platform:

Web Hosting services are offered on Linux & Windows Platforms and the servers are powered with the state-of-the-art web technologies such as CGI, Perl, PHP, ASP, ASP.NET, JSP, and Servlet etc.. All popular Databases like MS SQL, Oracle, MySQL & PostgreSQL are also supported.

	Windows hosting platform support		
	Service	Software	Tech. Support
1	Web-Application	IIS 6.0	ASP, ASP.Net (Framework 1.1, 2.0,3.0,3.5,4.0)
2	Reporting Service	SQL-Reporting	SQL 2005 Server Reporting
3	Database	SQL Server	SQL Server 2005, SQL Server 2008
		MS Access	MS Access

	Linux hosting platform Support		
	Service	Software	Tech. Support
1	Web-Application	Apache (2.2.3) &	PHP (5.1.6), Perl (5.8.8), JSP(2.0)
		Tomcat (5.5.23)	(J2SDK15.0_12), Servlet 2.4
2	Database	PostgreSQL	PostgreSQL 8.4.5-1
		Oracle*	Oracle 10g
		MySQL	MySQL 5.0.77

^{*} Only available for already running web- applications only not for any fresh distribution.

4. Security Audit of the hosted Web Contents:

All web sites hosted on NIC's servers are audited for content security. As a part of this security audit, the procedure /programs used inside the concerned website /application are checked for any security vulnerability and appropriate remedial measures are suggested.

Note:- kindly note that to ensure utmost security, no website can be hosted on the NIC web servers without undergoing the mandatory Security Audit.

5. Remote Publishing Facility:

This facility allows you to **update and maintain your site at your own convenience** from the comfort of your office or any other remote location through **VPN** (Virtual Private Network).

6. Contact Details :

Users are advised to forward his/ her request for Web Site Hosting as well as associated services through their NIC Coordinator or the Concerned officer from NIC.

o If the User Department comes under some State/UT, please visit http://webservices.nic.in/flash/state.pdf to get the contact details of NIC Coordinator for the respective State/UT.

o If the User Department comes under some Union Government Ministry / Department / Institute etc..., please visit http://webservices.nic.in/flash/sectors.pdf to get the contact details of NIC Coordinator for the respective Ministry / Department.

For more details, Please visit http://webservices.nic.in