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At the beginning of the project we observed varied ways ...

In which the Ministry and Department names were written across the digital platforms

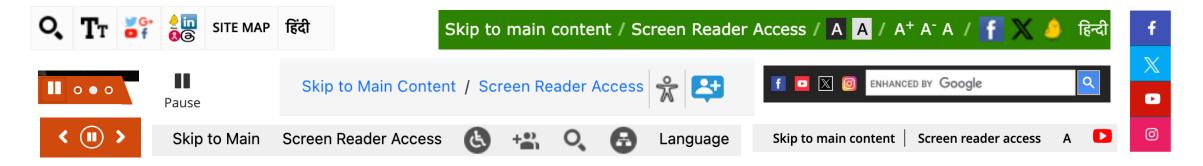








*In which the UI elements like icons, logos, typography were represented differently* 



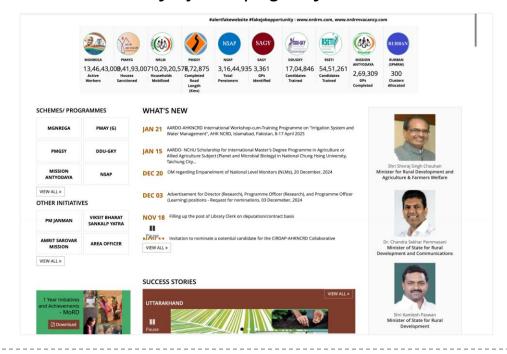


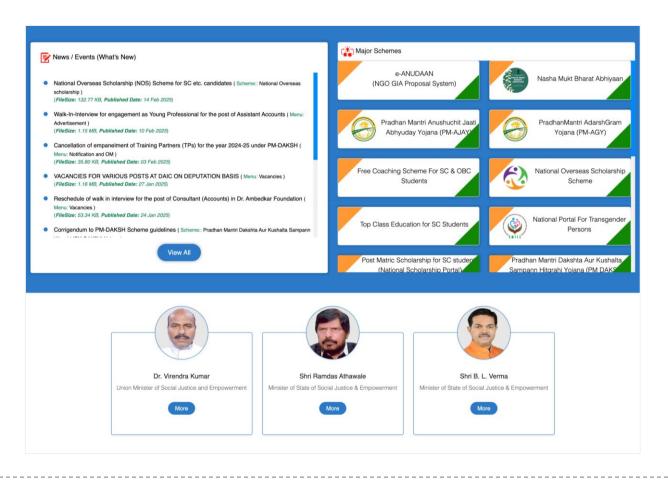




### And Information stacked ...

### Across a variety of web page layouts





### And elaborate headers that were different on each website









# Various national and global documents were reviewed...

#### International Govt Branding Guidelines

Approach in defining identity and connectedness with citizens



**CITY** of **BOSTON** 



#### National Guidelines and Design Systems

Available guidelines on accessibility and unified visual identity of the Indian digital footprint



**UX4G** 



#### International Guidelines

Global digital design standards, brand recall and recognition and enhanced global visibility





#### Corporates

Approach to brand-related policies and visual elements & messaging











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### **Typography**

Montserrat Light
Montserrat Regular
Montserrat Semibold
Montserrat Bold
Montserrat Extra bold

Source Sans Pro Light
Source Sans Pro Regular

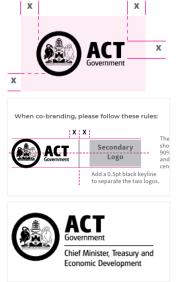
Source Sans Pro Bold

Source Sans Pro Semibold

#### **Colour Palette**



#### **Logo Specifications**









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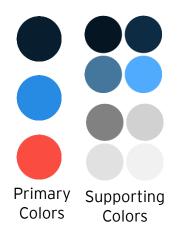
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# Brand Guardian

### **CITY** of **BOSTON**



#### **Color Palette**



#### **Typography**

MONTSERRAT: Uppercase Bold

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVXYZ

### LORA: Regular, Italic

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz1234567890

#### **Logo & Iconography**

Categories of icons designed for different use cases



Experiential Icons

Departmental Icons

Small Circular Icons







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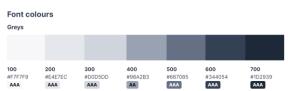
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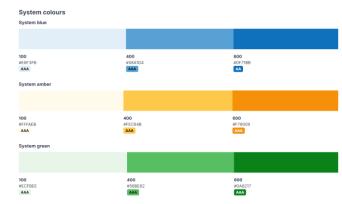
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### **Typography**

Example	Font weight	Font size	Line height
H1	Bold	40px (2.5rem)	48px
H2	Bold	32px (2rem)	40px
Н3	Bold	24px (1.5rem)	32px
H4	Bold	18px (1.125rem)	32px
paragraph	Regular	16px (1rem)	32px
small text	Regular	14px (0.875rem)	28px

SGDS follows the level AA of the WCAG 2.0 guidelines

SGDS uses Inter regular and bold as the main font family







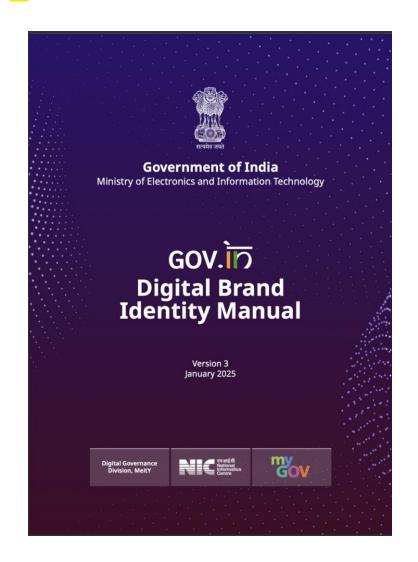
### To derive a the key contents of the harmonised guidelines

Bold colours used for primary palette while lighter tones for secondary palette Colour Palette Icons & Logos Icons follow pre-specified size and standardized styles Sans font family is commonly used for the headings and body text Typography Information Simplified navigation bar and UX writing for unified outlook architecture & tone Use of inclusive language to align with brand's overall messaging approach of voice Original images along with a focused messaging/storyline Imagery Multilingual options to cater audience with language barriers Accessibility





# Digital Brand Identity Manual





### **Brand Identity**

- 1. Color Palette
- 2. Icons and Styles
- 3. Typography
- 4. Logo
- 5. Imagery
- 6. Content
- 7. Adherence to Accessibility
- 8. Search
- 9. Performance Enhancement



### **Annexures**

- A. Ministry/Department Website
- B. Mobile Apps
- C. Forms
- D. Social Media
- E. Compliance Matrix





# Brand Identity: Colour Palette



The selection of colours is inspired by the natural hues found in a peacock's plumage to adapt to industry-based perceptions of ministries

#6C1340	#A32966	#DB70A6	#EBADCC	#FAEBF2	Burgundy
#29136C	#4729A3	#8B70DB	#BDADEB	#EEEBFA	Purple
#162F6A	#214AAB	#5279D7	#A3BBF3	#D2DFFF	Blue
#0F5757	#2D8686	#75BDBD	#A6D9D9	#D9F2F2	Green
#5D3E00	#916100	#DDA73A	#F4D390	#FFEECC	Chrome Yellow
#771D1D	#A72626	#D75151	#FAAAAA	#FCDADA	Cinnamon Red









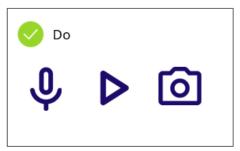
### Brand Identity: **Icons and Styles**



An extensive icon bank, comprising functional and contextual icons, has been curated.

**Functional Icons:** Globally recognized symbols that deliver consistent meaning for each fuction

**Contextual Icons:** Relevant to specific sector, which align with the themes and services of government organizations.



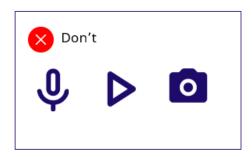


Figure 1

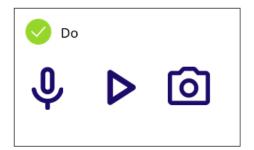




Figure 2





Figure 3







# Brand Identity: Typography



**Noto Sans** is selected as the main typeface

- High readability
- Multilingual support
- Neutral and professional appearance
- Consistency across different weights and styles
- Optimised for web

Noto Sans Regular	Devanagari	नोटो देवनागरी
ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 0123456789 ()!@\$%&	Bengali	নোটো বাংলা
Noto Sans Semi-Bold	Gujarati	નોટો ગુજરાતી
ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz	Gurmukhi	ਨੋਟੋ ਗੁਰਮੁਖੀ
0123456789 ()!@\$%&	Kannada	ನೋಟೋ ಕನ್ನಡ
Noto Sans Medium  ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ	Malayalam	നോട്ടോ മലയാളം
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 0123456789 ()!@\$%&	Oriya	ନୋଟୋ ଓଡ଼ିଆ
Noto Sans Bold ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ	Tamil	நோட்டோ தமிழ்
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 0123456789 ()!@\$%&	Telugu	నోటో తెలుగు







### Brand Identity: **Logo**



Logo lockups have been defined keeping in mind the usage across central government organizations.

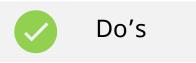
A unified header and logo lockup creates recognizable visual identity

- Clear navigation structure
- Mobile responsiveness
- Reliability, stability and professionalism

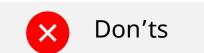




Logo Lockup style with colour variations















### Brand Identity: Imagery



Imagery shapes user experiences and reinforces the brand identity.

Recommendations to select, create, and implement imagery for cohesive **visual storytelling** across the digital platforms have been outlined.

Composition

Subject

Lighting

Story

Colours

Simplicity

Perspective

Focus

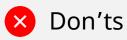


### Do's





















### Brand Identity: Content



Fundamental recommendations emphasizing the principles essential for **structuring** and **styling** the content across the different phases- **planning**, **creation**, **and delivering content**.

- Content grouping
- Information Architecture
- Tone of Voice
- Writing style
- Multilingual support

Concise: Brief and direct to convey information efficiently;



Dο

"Apply online for a passport renewal. Fill form 1 and submit it with the required documents."



Don't

"To apply for a passport renewal, you can utilize our online application system, where you will need to fill out form 1 and then submit it along with the necessary supporting documentation."

**Impartial:** Expressing the information in a neutral way.



Do

"The new policy aims to promote environmental sustainability by reducing carbon emissions."



🔯 Don't

"We are excited to announce our new policy, which will contribute to our efforts in achieving environmental sustainability goals by reducing carbon emissions."







## Brand Identity: Adherence to Accessibility

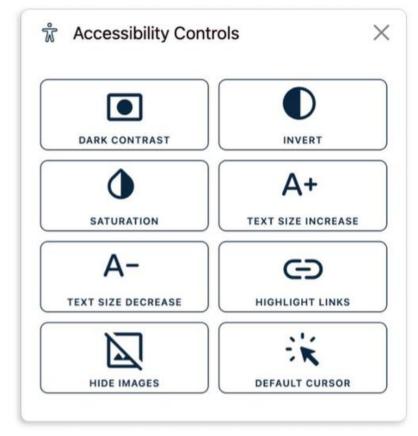


To ensure the web and mobile content is accessible for all users, it is important to adhere to the **Guidelines for Indian Government Websites** (GIGW 3.0).

- Perceivable regardless of user's ability
- Operable interface and navigation
- Straightforward and easy to understand
- Robust and compatible



#### **User Control options**



Accessibility Controls







### Brand Identity: **Search**



Implementing advanced search facilities will allow users to **easily find topics of interest**, thereby **increasing engagement rates**.

- Context-driven responses
- Diverse content handling
- Multi-language support
- Filtered and Categorized Searches
- Consistent placement



- Advanced tool aims to simplify navigation and content discovery for citizens
- Use of Artificial intelligence for content discovery with simple search queries
- On the go, two-way content translation powered by Bhashini with content scheduler to map entire website content
- Responsible AI with the requisite guard rails, data masking for PII information



