

Government e-Marketplace (GeM) aims to boost start-up participation through upcoming events like Startup Mahakumbh 2025

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It is India's **public procurement portal for purchasing goods and services by central and state government ministries, Departments, Public Sector Units (PSUs), and affiliated entities.**

Launched in - 2016

Aim - To make the public procurement process transparent, efficient, and inclusive.

Developed by – Ministry of Commerce and Industry in collaboration with MeitY (Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology) and National e-Governance Division (NeGD).

GeM is now managed by GeM **SPV** (**Special Purpose Vehicle**), a 100% government owned company under the Ministry of Commerce & Industry.

Three Pillars of GeM

Efficiency - Ensures cost and time savings AI-driven procurement reduces process time.

Transparency - ensures no manipulation in transactions.

Inclusion - Focus on women-led MSMEs, artisans, Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs). 50% of businesses on GeM come from MSMEs

Advantages of GeM

Centralized Platform – Unified portal for government buyers & suppliers.

Policy Reforms - Modernized regulations ensure compliance & efficiency.

MSME Boost - Supports small businesses & startups in government contracts.

Automation & Transparency – Tech-driven system reduces delays & enhances accountability.

Achievements

Business transactions increased from its first year to 2024.

Contributed to major government projects, including India's lunar mission (Chandrayaan 3).

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