AI becomes the first frontier for mental health

The challenge of privacy, misinformation, and human empathy, with the potential to increase accessibility

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AI-based chatbots are increasingly becoming people's first-line contact amid mental health concerns. In moments of loneliness, anxiety, stress, depression, relationship difficulties, or emotional distress, many people are choosing to interact with AI instead of first seeing a therapist. In a vast and diverse country like India, where access to mental health services remains unequal, AI technology offers a new possibility. However, it's important to understand that AI can be a means to expand mental health services, not a substitute for them.

The biggest challenges facing mental health services in India include the limited availability of trained specialists, the lack of services in rural and remote areas, the cost of treatment, and the social stigma associated with mental illness. In such an environment, the 24-hour availability of AI creates significant opportunities. Individuals can share their problems at any time and receive information, emotional support, and self-help tips at an early stage. AI-based digital mental health platforms can play a useful role in this direction.

Social taboos about mental health issues could also encourage the use of AI. Many people hesitate to express their feelings to family, friends, or therapists. Relatively anonymous digital conversations allow them to express their concerns, fears, and concerns. Chatbots can thus serve as a first step in mental health communication and encourage individuals to seek further professional help if needed.

An important benefit of AI is early screening. By analyzing a person's communication, behavior, and certain digital signals, AI can help identify potential anxiety, depression, or other mental health risks. However, such screening should not be considered a final medical diagnosis. Its purpose should only be to identify potential risks and help direct the person to the appropriate specialist.

Multilingual AI technology is also of particular importance given India's linguistic diversity. If mental health information and initial support are limited to English or a limited number of languages, large populations will be excluded. Language technology and digital systems developed for Indian languages can bridge this gap. In the future, such services could be integrated with government mental health initiatives like Tele-Manas to provide initial support to remote areas.

Personal assistance can also be a useful feature of AI. Reminding people to take medication, motivating them to stay focused on sleep and routines, suggesting stress-reduction exercises, or guiding them through structured self-help activities based on cognitive behavioral therapy are just some of the areas where AI can play a supportive role. For clinicians, AI can also help with regular patient monitoring, identifying and prioritizing high-risk cases. This can enable more effective use of limited human resources.

But along with the opportunities, there are also significant risks. A person in emotional distress is in a highly vulnerable state. If AI provides inaccurate, incomplete, or out-of-context information, it could exacerbate the person's distress. If a chatbot inadvertently reinforces a negative or delusional belief instead of challenging it, the consequences could be serious. This is why AI systems for mental health must clearly distinguish between chatbots that provide general information and tools proven to provide clinical assistance.

The greatest danger arises when a person begins to perceive AI as a substitute for a real doctor. Constant interaction can also lead to emotional dependence. The person may believe that the machine fully understands their feelings, while AI has limitations in understanding human experience, moral judgment, clinical discretion, and the actual social context.

This limitation becomes even more serious in critical situations like suicide or self-harm. Individuals don't always express their situation directly. Their signals may be indirect, ambiguous, or hidden in cultural contexts. If AI fails to recognize such warnings or doesn't connect with human assistance in a timely manner, the potential.

Over 13,000 schools being revamped under PM SHRI scheme, more than 20 lakh students to benefit

NEW DELHI : More than 13,000 schools across the country are being revamped under the Pradhan Mantri Schools for Rising India (PM SHRI) Scheme, with the initiative expected to directly benefit more than 20 lakh students, according to a government statement.

The PM SHRI Scheme aims to develop more than 14,500 existing schools as exemplar institutions aligned with the vision of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The scheme has a total outlay of Rs 27,360 crore for the five years from 2022-23 to 2026-27.

Launched on September 7, 2022, the scheme focuses on strengthening school infrastructure, improving pedagogy, promoting inclusion and sustainability, and equipping students with skills required to meet the demands of the 21st century. The scheme completed four years this year.

According to government data, as of July this year, 13,092 schools have been selected as PM SHRI Schools across States and Union Territories.

The selected institutions include schools under the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS), Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti (NVS) and National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT).

The 13,092 schools account for around 90 per cent of the total target envisaged under the scheme.

The government expects the initiative to directly benefit more than 20 lakh students through improved infrastructure, learning facilities and educational practices.

"India is witnessing a significant transformation in its school education system, marked by a growing emphasis on quality, equity, inclusion, and future-ready learning. With 14.71 lakh schools serving more than 24.69 crore students, the education system is increasingly focused on enhancing learning outcomes and creating enabling environments that support the holistic development of every learner," officials said.

The PM SHRI initiative aims to improve existing schools and transform them into exemplar institutions that demonstrate effective implementation of the NEP 2020.

The selected schools are intended to serve as models for other institutions by adopting modern teaching and learning practices while providing an inclusive and supportive educational environment.

With a total project cost of Rs 27,360 crore, the scheme focuses on strengthening more than 14,500 existing schools and developing them as exemplar institutions that can showcase the objectives and principles of the National Education Policy.

These schools are envisioned to offer students safe, stimulating, and welcoming learning environments. The initiative also seeks to ensure that students have access to quality infrastructure, suitable learning resources and diverse learning experiences that support their overall development.

The PM SHRI scheme is being implemented over five years, from 2022-23 to 2026-27. Of the total project cost of Rs 27,360 crore, the Central share is Rs 18,128 crore.

The scale of financial support being provided under the initiative has also increased significantly in recent years. The Central share of the approved Project Approval Board (PAB) outlay increased from Rs 2,520 crore in 2023-24 to Rs 5,224 crore in 2026-27.

This represents an increase of around 107 per cent, reflecting the expanding scale of investment in strengthening PM SHRI schools and improving the quality of education and learning environments available to students across the country.

Hina Khan recalls meeting soldiers who fought in Operation Sindoor, says 'I will carry the experience with immense pride'

MUMBAI : Hina Khan recalled a deeply moving experience of meeting some of the brave soldiers who fought in "Operation Sindoor," saying she will carry the memory with immense pride.

On Tuesday, the 'Kasautii Zindagi Kay 2' took to Instagram to share her thoughts about the interaction. She expressed gratitude for the opportunity to meet the soldiers and hear about their experiences and service. Sharing her images, Hina wrote, "It was an absolute honour to be invited by the PMO and Indian Army to visit the Goodwill Schools, schools for children with special needs, and hospitals run by the Indian Army in Kashmir."

"I was also deeply honoured to meet some of the brave soldiers who fought in Op Sindoor. Meeting them and hearing about their service was an experience I will carry with me with immense pride. We often speak about our Armed Forces for the battles they fight and the borders they protect. But seeing their work beyond the battlefield was truly eye-opening."

Hina Khan went on to add, "They are not only protecting lives, they are helping build them. From education and healthcare to employment and creating opportunities for the people of Kashmir, the Indian Army is doing so much to empower communities and help them prosper. What I witnessed was incredibly encouraging, and honestly, I was amazed by the scale and sincerity of these efforts."

The post further read, "What impressed me most was their sheer humility. They do so much without asking for recognition or applause. But I believe their efforts must be seen, spoken about and appreciated. Knowing about the great work they do can only inspire all of us. There are so many unsung heroes and so many superstars working quietly behind the scenes. I am truly in awe of them and of the work being done for the people of Kashmir."

"Our forces are truly heroes on and off the battlefield. A special shout out to all the soldiers, teachers, doctors and staff who continue to serve and contribute to the prosperity of the people of Kashmir with such dedication. I leave these schools and hospitals with immense pride, gratitude and a renewed respect for the men and women who serve our nation," concluded Hina. Hina Khan travelled to Kashmir in late August 2026 to be part of her younger sister's wedding celebrations. During the festivities, the actress embraced her Kashmiri heritage by joining in traditional customs and singing folk songs. As part of the pre-wedding celebrations, she also played the traditional Kashmiri percussion instrument, the tumbaknari.

Gujarat: New child protection policy mandates reporting of abuse, police verification of staff

GANDHINAGAR : Gujarat has expanded its child protection framework to cover risks in the digital world, healthcare facilities, workplaces and public spaces, with the state government announcing the 'Gujarat State Child Protection Policy-2026' and adopting a zero-tolerance approach towards violence, abuse, exploitation, neglect and discrimination against children.

The policy, announced on September 14, came into force from the date of its publication in the state Gazette.

It seeks to establish a coordinated system for preventing abuse, identifying risks early, responding to complaints, and providing counselling, rehabilitation and reintegration to children in need of protection.

"Announced under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel, the policy was issued under the guidance of Justice and Empowerment Minister Pradyuman Vaja and Minister of State, Manisha Vakil," officials said.

The government said objections and suggestions received on the draft were considered before its finalisation, along with existing legal and policy frameworks including the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, the Juvenile Justice Act, the Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, child labour laws, school safety guidelines and the National Child Policy.

A significant feature of the policy is its extension of child protection measures to the online environment.

It calls for measures to prevent and respond to risks associated with the Internet, social media and other digital technologies, recognising online safety as part of the wider child protection system.The policy also places responsibility for child protection beyond a single government department.

Government departments and agencies, local authorities, non-governmental organisations, civil society groups, corporate and business organisations, industries, media organisations, religious institutions, child care institutions and individuals who come into direct or indirect contact with children are included within the framework.

Particular attention has been given to children in vulnerable circumstances.

The policy covers children in need of care and protection, children in conflict with law, Divyang children, migrants, orphans, children from Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and other disadvantaged communities, as well as those affected by trafficking, living on the streets or receiving institutional or alternative care. Transgender and intersex children, children affected by HIV/AIDS or chronic illnesses, and those affected by natural disasters or living in conflict-affected areas are also covered. The policy places the 'best interests of the child' at the centre of decision-making and sets out principles including equality and equity, the right to life and development, respect for children's views, dignity, family empowerment, confidentiality, accountability, participation and coordination.

Sr. No.	Loan Account Number and Name of Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s) /Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice u/s 13(2) Date and Amount Total O/s as on...	Date and Type of Possession	Reserve Price EMD Bid Increase Amount
34.	BR/PTN/PTNA/A000001978 & CO/CPC/CPOF/A000020684 **1. MR. MUKESH KUMAR (BORROWER) 2. MS. SANDHAYA KUMARI (CO -BORROWER) 3. MS. SHIV KUMARI DEVI (CO –BORROWER 1)**	**01.03.2025 & Rs. 8,28,702/- (rupees Eight Lakh Twenty-eight Thousand Seven Hundred Two Only) Rs. 8,28,702/- (rupees Eight Lakh Twenty-eight Thousand Seven Hundred Two Only) As On 14/09/2026**	**25/07/2025 Symbolic Possession**	**29,44,000/- 294,400/- Rs. 10000/-**
	Description Of The Immovable Property/ Secured Asset: Khata No-92, Khesra/plot No-202, Area-2.08 Decimals, P.S – Sadar Hajipur P.S. No.-110 Mauza- Vishunpur Baldhari URF Balwa, Circle- Hajipur, Halka - Vishunpur Baladhari, Registry Office - Hajipur, District - Vaishali. Boundaries : North - Mahesh Ram And Ramesh Ram And Others, South - Gramin Sadak, East - Amod Ram & Others, West - Sunita Devi W/o- Yogendra Sah & Others			
35.	BR/PTN/PTNA/A000001390 & CO/CPC/CPOF/A000012751 & CO/CPC/CPOF/A000014803 & CO/CPC/CPOF/A000018984 **1. Mr. RAJESH KUMAR YADAV (BORROWER) 2. Mrs. MINTU RANI (CO -BORROWER)**	**08/11/2025 & Rs. 14,77,740/- (Rupees Fourteen Lakh Seventy-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Only) Rs. 17,09,733/- (Seventeen Lakh Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Three Only) as On 12/09/2026**	**19/02/026 Symbolic Possession**	**46,56,000/- 4,65,600/- Rs. 10000/-**
	Description Of The Immovable Property/ Secured Asset: Khata No - 681, Khesra/plot No - 1971, Area - 4 Decimals, P.S. No.-247 Mauza - Baikunthpur, Circle - Rajapakar, Halka - Baikunthpur, Sub - Registry Office - Mahua, District - Vaishali. Boundaries North - Ratan Singh S/o Babu Eknath Singh South - Village Road East - Chandan Kumar (recent Purchaser) West - Sagar Ram			
36.	BR/PTN/PTNA/A000001159 & CO/CPC/CPCO/A000000211 **1. Mr. Munna Sah (BORROWER) 2. Mrs. Dharmashila Devi (CO -BORROWER)**	**13/12/2025 & Rs. 8,77,797/- (Eight Lakh Seventy-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Seven Only) Rs. 7,82,673/- (Seven Lakh Eighty-Two Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Three Only) as On 12/09/2026**	**12/03/2026 Symbolic Possession**	**46,42,000/- 4,64,200/- Rs. 10000/-**
	Description Of The Immovable Property/ Secured Asset: Circle/anchal – Jandaha, Mauza – Dhadua, Halka – Basantpur, Revenue P.S – Jandaha, Thana No - 364, Khata No – 300, Khesra No/plot No – 1487, Area - 9.5 Decimals, Dist – Vaishali, Registry Office – Hajipur. Boundaries: North - Road, South - Nagina Singh, East - Hiram Singh, West - Puran Singh			
37.	BR/PTN/PTNA/A000000031 & BR/PTN/PTNA/A000001133 & CO/CPC/CPOF/A000002699 **1.MS. RAJ KUMARI DEVI (BORROWER) 2. MR. AMARNATH PRASAD (CO -BORROWER)**	**22/10/2021 & Rs. 7,58,055/- (Rupees Seven Lakh Fifty-Eight Thousand Fifty-Five Only) Rs. 9,55,845/- (Nine Lakh Fifty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Forty-Five Only) as On 12-09-2026**	**13/04/2022 Symbolic Possession**	**18,63,000/- 1,86,300/- Rs. 10000/-**
	Description Of The Immovable Property/ Secured Asset: ALL THAT PEACE AND PARCEL OF RESIDENTIAL LAND OF AREA SAMGRANGCHAK, NAGLA, MALSALAMI, SANGRAM CHAUK, URBAN PATNA, BIHAR – 800008 . LENTH OF PROPERTY IS MENTIONED BELOW – Tauzi No- Bihar Sarkar Khesra No- 406, Khata No- 73 Rakba No - 5 Dhur which is butted and bounded as follows: - North : -Road , South : - Gumani Singh, East : -3 Feet Common Road, West : -Part Plot NO- 606			
38.	BR/PTN/PTNA/A000000165 & **BR/PTN/PTNA/A000001084** **1. Mr. RANJAN KUMAR (BORROWER) 2. Ms. CHINTA DEVI (CO -BORROWER) 3. Ms. Ritu Kumari (CO BORROWER1)**	**04/01/2023 & Rs. 8,75,314/- (Rupees Eight Lakh(s) Seventy-Five Thousand Three Hundred Fourteen Only) Rs. 7,45,130/- (Seven Lakh Forty-Five Thousand One Hundred Thirty Only) as On 14/09/2026**	**26/04/2023 Symbolic Possession**	**51,83,000/- 518,300/- Rs. 10000/-**
	Description Of The Immovable Property/ Secured Asset: All the piece and parcel of immovable property admeasuring 9 Decimals comprised Khata No.91, Survey Plot No.122, Thana No.35, Situated at Mauza Rampur, Chandpura Khurd, P.S. Gauraul Hajipur District Vaishali and bounded as North - Prabhu Paswan, South - Niz, East - Road, West - Niz.			
39.	BR/PTN/PTNA/A000002052 & CO/CPC/CPOF/A000013576 & CO/CPC/CPOF/A000020853 **1. Mr. RANJAN KUMAR (BORROWER) 2. Mrs. UMARAWATI DEVI (CO -BORROWER) 3. Mr. RAJKISHOR RAY (CO -BORROWER 1)**	**08/11/2025 & Rs. 11,36,835/- (Rupees Eleven Lakh Thirty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Five Only) Rs. 12,21,373/- (Twelve Lakh Twenty-One Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Three Only) as On 12/09/2026**	**11/02/2026 Symbolic Possession**	**33,49,000/- 3,34,900/- Rs. 10000/-**
	Description Of The Immovable Property/ Secured Asset: ALL THAT piece and parcel of land - 6 Decimals Comprised in Khata No. 333, Survey Plot No. 2084, Thana No. 963, Situated at Mauza Kamtaul, P.S. Kudhani, District Muzaffarpur and Bounded as under: North: Niz; South: Niz; East: Kailash Singh; West: Ganesh Sah.			
40.	BR/MUZ/CHPR/A000000007 & BR/PTN/PTNA/A000001041 **1. MR. RAVIKANT SHARMA (BORROWER) 2. MR. RAMDAS SHARMA (CO -BORROWER) 3. MR. RAMJIVAN SHARMA (CO BORROWER1)**	**22.08.2022 & Rs. 12,49,969/- (Twelve Lakhs Forty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty Nine Only) Rs. 12,97,550/- (Twelve Lakh Ninety-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Fifty Only) as On 12/09/2026**	**13/10/2023 Symbolic Possession**	**34,85,000/- 3,48,500/- Rs. 10000/-**
	Description Of The Immovable Property/ Secured Asset: Survey Khata No. 35, 34, 163, 313 Total Extent 1 Kattha ½ Dhur Door No 11, Mauza Siswa Halka Rasulpur. Boundaries : East - Open Land of Msailchandra Sharma and Shankar sah; West – Road; South - Open Land of Ram Vilash Sharma; North - Property of Chandradip Thakur and virendra Dhruv Singh			

Mode Of Payment: - **All Payment shall be made by through** RTGS/NEFT The accounts details are as follows: a) **Name of the account: -** Hinduja Housing Finance Limited**, b) Name of the Bank: - HDFC Kanjurmarg Mumbai IFSC Code: - HDFC0004989.**

TERMS & CONDITIONS OF ONLINE E-AUCTION SALE: - 1. The Property is being sold on "AS IS WHERE IS, WHATEVER THERE & WITHOUT RECOURSE BASIS". As such sale is without any kind of warranties & indemnities. 2. Particulars of the property / assets (viz. extent & measurements specified in the E-Auction Sale Notice has been stated to the best of information of the Secured Creditor and Secured Creditor shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission. Actual extant & dimensions may differ. 3. E-Auction Sale Notice issued by the Secured Creditor is an invitation to the general public to submit their bids and the same does not constitute and will not be deemed to constitute any commitment or nay representation on the part of the Secured Creditor. Interested bidders are advised to peruse the copies of title deeds with the Secured Creditor and to conduct own independent enquiries /due diligence about the title & present condition of the property / assets and claims / dues affecting the property before submission of bid/s. 4. Auction/bidding shall only be through "online electronic mode" through the website https://www.bankeauctions.com Or Auction provided by the service provider M/s C1 India Private Limited, who shall arrange & coordinate the entire process of auction through the e-auction platform. 5. The bidders may participate in e-auction for bidding from their place of choice. Internet connectivity shall have to be ensured by bidder himself. Secured Creditor /service provider shall not be held responsible for the internet connectivity, network problems, system crash own, power failure etc. 6. For details, help, procedure and online bidding on e-auction prospective bidders may contact the Service Provider **M/S C1 India Pvt Ltd, Plot No–68, 3rd floor Sector 44 Gurgaon Haryana -122003 (Help Line No. +91-124-4302000) Support Email – Support@bankeauctions.com, (Support Mobile Number - 7291981124/1125/1126) Mr. Mithalesh Kumar Mob. 7088004466. Email: Mithalesh.kumar@c1india.com , delhi@c1india.com**. 7. For participating in the e-auction sale the intending bidders should register their name at https://www.bankeauctions.comwell in advance and shall get the user id and password. Intending bidders are advised to change only the password immediately upon receiving it from the service provider. 8. For participating in e-auction, intending bidders have to deposit a refundable EMD of 10% OF RESERVE PRICE (as mentioned above) shall be payable by interested bidders through NEFT/RTGS in favor of "Hinduja Housing Finance Limited" on or before 13/10/2026.9. The intending bidders should submit the duly filled in Bid Form (format available on https://www.bankeauctions.com) along with the NEFT/RTGS remittance towards EMD in a sealed cover addressed to the Authorized Officer Regional Office **Hinduja Housing Finance Limited, 1st floor Yaman Enclave Near Nagarmal Rukanpura Bihar Patna 800014. 10. Latest by 03:00 PM on 22-10-2026. The sealed cover should be super scribed with "Bid for participating in E-Auction Sale- in the Loan Account No B (as mentioned above)**. 11. After expiry of the last date of submission of bids with EMD, Authorized Officer shall examine the bids received by him and confirm the details of the qualified bidders (who have quoted their bids over and above the reserve price and paid the specified EMD with the Secured Creditor) to the service provider M/s C1 India Private Limited to enable them to allow only those bidders to participate in the online inter-se bidding /auction proceedings at the date and time mentioned in E-Auction Sale Notice. 12. Inter-se bidding among the qualified bidders shall start from the highest bid quoted by the qualified bidders. During the process of inter-se bidding, there will be unlimited extension of "10" minutes each, i.e. the end.13. time of e- auction shall be automatically extended by 10 Minutes each time if bid is made within 10 minutes from the last extension. 14. Bids once made shall not be cancelled or withdrawn. All bids made from the user id given to bidder will be deemed to have been made by him alone. 15. Immediately upon closure of E-Auction proceedings, the highest bidder shall confirm the final amount of bid quoted by him BY E-Mail both to the Authorized Officer, Regional Office Hinduja Housing Finance Limited - Hinduja **Housing Finance Limited, 1st floor Yaman Enclave Near Nagarmal Rukanpura Bihar Patna 800014...** and the Service Provider for getting declared as successful bidder in the E-Auction Sale proceedings. 16. The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the bid amount (including EMD) on the same day of the sale, being knocked down in his favor and balance 75% of bid amount within 15 days from the date of sale by NEFT/RTGS favoring Hinduja Housing Finance Limited.17. In case of default in payment of above stipulated amounts by the successful bidder / auction purchaser within the stipulated time, the sale will be cancelled and the amount already paid (including EMD) will be forfeited and the property will be again put to sale. 18. At the request of the successful bidder, the Authorized Officer in his absolute discretion may grant further time in writing, for depositing the balance of the bid amount. 19. The Successful Bidder shall pay 1% of Sale price towards TDS (out of Sale proceeds) and submit TDS certificate to the Authorized officer and the deposit the entire amount of sale price (after deduction of 1% towards TDS), adjusting the EMD within 15 working days of the acceptance of the offer by the authorized officer, or within such other extended time as deemed fit by the Authorized Officer, falling which the earnest deposit will be forfeited. 20. Municipal / Panchayat Taxes, Electricity dues (if any) and any other authorities dues (if any) have to be paid by the successful bidder before issuance of the sale certificate. Bids shall be made taking into consideration of all the statutory dues pertaining to the property. 21. Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorized Officer in favor of the successful bidder only upon deposit of entire purchase price / bid amount and furnishing the necessary proof in respect of payment of all taxes / charges. 22. Applicable legal charges for conveyance, stamp duty, registration charges and other incidental charges shall be borne by the auction purchaser. 23. The Authorized officer may postpone/cancel the E-Auction Sale proceedings without assigning any reason whatsoever. In case the E-Auction Sale scheduled is postponed to a later date before 30 days from the scheduled date of sale, it will be displayed on the website of the service provider. 24. The decision of the Authorized Officer is final, binding and unquestionable. 25. All bidders who submitted the bids, shall be deemed to have read and understood the terms and conditions of the E-Auction Sale and be bound by them. **26. For further details and queries, contact Authorized Officer No Hinduja Housing Finance Limited, EMAILS: - auction@hindujahousingfinance.com.** 27. This publication is also 30 (Thirty) days' notice to the Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantors of the above said loan account pursuant to rule 8(6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, about holding of auction sale on the above-mentioned date / place.

Date: 16.09.2026 Place: Patna — Authorized Officer : Hinduja Housing Finance Limited.

Special Instructions / Caution: Bidding in the last minutes/seconds should be avoided by the bidders in their own interest. Neither Hinduja Housing Finance Limited nor the Service Provider will be responsible for any lapses/failure (Internet failure, Power failure, etc.) on the part of the bidder in such cases. In order to ward off such contingent situation, bidders are requested to make all the necessary arrangements / alternatives such as back - up power supply and whatever else required so that they are able to circumvent such situation and are able to participate in the auction successfully.