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# ALB India's Digital Personal Data Protection Draft Rules 2025 Masterclass: Navigating a New Age of Data Privacy

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# DATE AND TIME:

PART 1: TUESDAY, 25 MARCH 2025 (17:00 PM - 19:00 PM IST/11:30 AM - 13:30 PM GMT)

PART 2: WEDNESDAY, 26 MARCH 2025 (17:00 PM - 19:00 PM IST/11:30 AM - 13:30 PM GMT)

# **INTRODUCTION:**

On January 3, 2025, the Government of India's Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology published The Draft Digital Personal Data Protection Rules, 2025 (Draft Rules) for the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023 (DPDPA). These Draft Rules operationalise various provisions and throw light on the compliance under the DPDPA, which is India's first standalone data protection legislation.

The Draft Rules provide a detailed framework for implementing the provisions of the DPDPA. It addresses key aspects such as notice and consent requirements, how the State processes data, obligations of a Data Fiduciary, and cross-border data transfers. Once brought into force, it will govern the entire processing of personal data in digital form, and the compliance period for businesses begins.

This legislation is designed to strengthen data protection and accountability for entities such as internet companies, mobile apps, and businesses that handle citizens' data. Furthermore, it is worth noting that the DPDPA will have implications for India's trade negotiations with other nations. It aligns with global data protection standards, taking inspiration from models like the European Union's (EU) General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and China's Personal Information Protection Law (PIPL).

Join us for an engaging discussion with our panel of experts from Nishith Desai Associates, widely regarded as one of the most forward-thinking firms in Asia, on how these developments will shape the future of data governance in India and their impact on global businesses.

# WHAT YOU WILL ACHIEVE

- In-depth understanding of the key provisions and requirements of the Draft Rules
- Effective strategies for ensuring compliance with new regulations
- Develop skills to identify and mitigate risks
- Acquire practical knowledge on implementing data protection measures
- Understand the rights of individuals under the Draft Rules and how to uphold them

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- Learn how to conduct data protection impact assessments to evaluate and address potential privacy risks
- Understand the responsibilities and importance of Data Protection Officers in ensuring compliance ...and much more!

## **READING MATERIAL**

- India's New Data Protection Regime, One Step Closer: Draft Compliance Rules Issued (January 07, 2025).
- Privacy and Data Protection in India: 2024 Watchlist and 2023 Wrap (February 02, 2024).
- Implications of the New Data Protection Law on M&E industry (September 23, 2023).
- India gets ready for new data protection regime (August 28, 2023).
- Why Digital Personal Data Protection Bill, 2023 is crucial and how it will shape India's digital landscape (August 14, 2023).
- India's Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023: History in the Making (August 07, 2023).

# SPEAKERS



# HUZEFA TAVAWALLA

Lead, TMT & Data Protection

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Huzefa leads the Bangalore office and spearheads the Disruptive Technologies Practice at NDA, bringing deep expertise in TMT, data protection, and emerging technologies. A passionate techno-enthusiast, he has worked extensively on legal and regulatory challenges surrounding Generative AI, Blockchain, Virtual Digital Assets, Geospatial Imagery, and the Metaverse. His strong foundation in intellectual property, data privacy, and cross-border technology regulations allows him to craft innovative solutions for cutting-edge industries, ensuring compliance and strategic risk mitigation.

With a keen focus on fintech and data governance, Huzefa has advised on complex digital business models, including e-lending, payment systems, and fintech outsourcing. He was instrumental in shaping India's regulatory framework for drones as a government-appointed task force member. His experience extends to global technology M&A, investment structuring, and policy advocacy. A thought leader in emerging tech law, he has published extensively on AI ethics, autonomous systems, and digital transformation. Beyond practice, he remains engaged with academia, regularly lecturing at premier institutions.



# TANISHA KHANNA

Leader, TMT & Data Protection

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Tanisha is a senior member of the Technology, Media & Telecommunications (TMT) practice at Nishith Desai Associates, specializing in data protection, digital infrastructure, and emerging technology regulations. She has advised global technology companies, media houses, and digital platforms on regulatory compliance, data governance, cross-border data flows, and cybersecurity frameworks. Her expertise extends to structuring technology transactions, navigating telecom regulations, and ensuring compliance with evolving data protection laws in India and internationally.

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In addition to her advisory and transactional work, Tanisha plays a key role in policy advocacy, engaging with regulatory bodies on data privacy and digital economy frameworks. She is a regular contributor to internationally recognized legal publications, offering insights on data protection, Al governance, and content regulation. A sought-after speaker at industry forums, she actively shapes discussions on the future of digital regulation and emerging risks in the TMT sector.



# VARSHA RAJESH

Member, TMT & Data Protection

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Varsha is a key member of the TMT team at Nishith Desai Associates, specializing in technology laws, data privacy, and regulatory compliance. She has advised leading national and multinational companies on legal frameworks governing cross-border data transfers, fintech regulations, outsourcing, and emerging digital technologies. Her expertise extends to e-commerce, digital advertising, telecom laws, and sectoral non-personal data compliances, ensuring that businesses navigate complex regulatory landscapes effectively.

Beyond advisory, Varsha has significant experience in corporate transactions, commercial documentation, and regulatory litigation, particularly in the technology and pharmaceutical sectors. She is a frequent speaker at industry forums, including OPPI, USISPF, and USIBC, where she shares insights on evolving data protection and digital health regulations. A recognized thought leader, she contributes regularly to national and international publications such as Thomson Reuters and Data Guidance, covering topics like data privacy, autonomous vehicles, and AI governance.

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