

# Faridkot District, Punjab

## Transforming the Rural District into Advance Digital One

Since its inception in late 80's, the District Unit is a pioneer in designing, developing and implementing many e-Governance Projects with an objective to use electronic means to support and stimulate good governance. NIC Faridkot is instrumental in rolling out the ICT awareness in the district for greater transparency and efficiency leading to governance for the people, by the people. Now NIC Faridkot is moving ahead with m-Governance and implementing innovative technological solutions for citizen-centric services and promoting Digital India Programme for easing the lives of citizens.



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Faridkot is a royal and historic city located in the south-western part of Punjab. The district is named in the honour of the revered 13th-century Sufi saint, Baba Fariduddin Masud Ganjshakar. Population of district is 6 lakh. The Gurudwara Tilla (Chilla) Baba Farid, Gurudwara Godari Sahib, Royal Palace, Clock Tower and Bir are some of the renowned historical places located in the district. The district houses State Medical University Baba Farid University of Health Sciences and also is a Divisional Headquarters.

### ICT Initiatives in the District

#### M-Nivaran

The Mobile Based Citizen Centric Solution, M-Nivaran was designed to provide an umbrella platform starting from panic button for the females in danger and to all Government Popular Schemes, Grievances, Janbhagidari (helped administration by civic participation) to Covid Crises Management including Vaccination, Covid Dashboard, and real time update to the citizens about various restrictions imposed during partial lockdown etc.



Modules of M-Nivaran App

### Other Key Initiatives

#### Covid-19 Management MIS

NIC Faridkot, under the leadership of Sh. Kumar Saurab Raj, IAS developed and implemented Online portal developed to ensure smooth management of demand and supply chain.



### Modules of Covid Management MIS

Automated mechanism created to impart information about lockdown/ curfew/ containment zone was ensured.

SMS based information dissemination module was developed for migrant labour to get accurate information.

All district level meetings were organized through virtual mode to avoid gathering of officers.

Besides the technical support, donations worth ₹ 75 Lakh were collected in in-kind forms and ensured to reach the same in write hands and acted as a Central Custodian for all Covid-19 donations and its disbursement.

### Drug Abuse Study MIS

An online portal was developed and study has been made at all OATS Clinics of District. Report was prepared after analyzing Socio- Economic, Demographical Parameters data to conclude on the factors for drug addiction and submitted to state government to fight with Drug Maniac.

### Baba Farid Aagman Purav

To strengthen the Deputy Commissioner vision to conduct "feast" according to world class standards, ICT is widely used. Over 10 lakh people visited the feast.

### NIC-Wi-Fi

In one of the major Step towards Digital India, the outstanding initiative of implementing High Speed NIC Wi-Fi services in all the offices of



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I congratulate the entire team of NIC, Faridkot who have been working tirelessly and relentlessly providing sustainable support and services to District Administration and I hope to carry forward e-Governance to reach at the unreached in the district.

**VIMAL KUMAR SETIA, IAS** Deputy Commissioner, Faridkot, Government of Punjab

NIC Faridkot has been instrumental in prevailing and leading the pace of e-Gov activities in district. One of these innovations was launch of High Speed NIC Wi-Fi services in complex, which was first of its kind in entire state. This endeavor has ensured seamless connectivity to district officials/general public anywhere and anytime within premises and enable them to access E-Governance application through Wi-Fi enabled devices



**RAJIV PRASHAR, IAS** Special Secretary, Transport, Government of Punjab



During high times of Pandemic, Faridkot is one of the districts where IT has made inroads down to the grass roots level which needs to be highlighted for meeting people's aspirations.

To ensure access to essential items to each household in district, grocery/food/transportation facility for migrant labourers, ensuring essential movement during curfew/lockdown, Technology based Framework consisting of Modules Online Demand Supply Portal, e-Pass, Migrant Labourer Transportation SMS Service, On-line system for Sector Magistrates for ensuring door to door ration supply has helped immensely to manage implement monitor and control the situation. During my tenure as Deputy Commissioner every other day we do excellent work with the such IT based Solutions of NIC Faridkot.

**KUMAR SAURABH RAJ, IAS** Deputy Commissioner, Barnala, Government of Punjab

▼ Awarded by Shri Sadhu Singh Dharmsot, Hon'ble Cabinet Minister on 26th january 2020



the district which makes District Faridkot to be the second district in entire country to have it implemented.

NIC Faridkot has integrated with District NOC of NIC for enhanced bandwidth of 34 Mbps. The Wi-Fi connectivity at complex has extinguished old LAN structure and also act as a secondary link, results in saving revenue in terms of Broadband bills etc.

## Other Implemented Projects

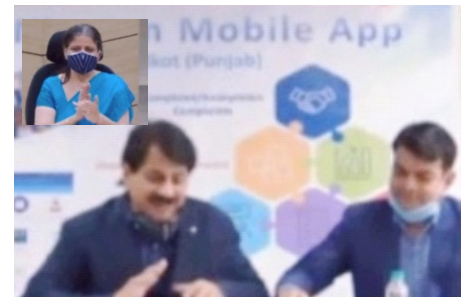
- eOffice, iHRMS ,NDAL, IVFRT, RCMS, IFMS, VMS, NGDRS, VAHAN & SARTHI, E-Abkari

## Events organized

- National Teacher's Award ceremony (Chief Guest: Hon'ble President of India) held virtually using NIC-VC facility
- Visit of Smt. Vini Mahajan IAS, Chief Secretary, Government of Punjab on June 2021
- Visit of Shri S. Rana Gurmeet Singh Sodhi, Minister of Sports, Govt. of Punjab on 26th january 2020 (Republic Day celebration)
- Visit of Shri Hussan Lal, IAS, Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Govt. of Punjab

## Accolades

- DGMC Bronze Award for M-Nivaran Mobile App
- Award by Hon'ble Cabinet Minister, Shri Sadhu Singh Dharmsot on 26th january 2020 (Republic Day celebration)
- Award for best Departmental Services
- ▼ Awarded "Bronze" for M-Nivaran Mobile App in DGMC by Dr. Neeta Verma, DG, NIC



## Way Forward

Abreast with the advancements in various technologies, NIC Faridkot is spearheading to leverage the potential of Digital Twins, Blockchain, IoT, Augmented Reality and Cloud Application. Focusing on solutions based on mobile app, the upcoming project is modular M-Nivaran. Other initiatives taken are IHRMS & Attendance system.

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