



Darpan - The Government platform for NGOs and Voluntary Organisations

1. What is the Darpan Portal?

The **NGO Darpan Portal** is a **website made by the Indian government** where all NGOs (non-profit organizations) and Voluntary Organisations (VOs) can register themselves.

- It is managed by **NITI Aayog** and **NIC**.
- The main goal is to have a **central database of all NGOs in India**.
- When an NGO registers, it gets a **unique Darpan ID**.
- This ID is used to **apply for government grants, funding, and schemes**.
- It also helps NGOs become **officially recognized and credible**.

Why this portal exists

- The portal **connects NGOs with government departments**, making it easier for them to work together.
- It **helps NGOs find and apply for government grants, schemes, and corporate funding** (CSR money).
- It **makes the NGO sector more transparent and organized**, so people and the government can see what NGOs are doing and use resources efficiently.

2. Who Can Register?

Any **legally registered non-profit organisation in India** can register on the portal, such as:

- A **Trust** (registered under Indian Trusts Act)
- A **Society** (registered under Societies Registration Act)
- A **Section 8 Company** (non-profit company under Companies Act)
- Other **Voluntary Organisations (VOs)** that are legally recognized as NGOs

3. Why Register on the Darpan Portal?

Main Benefits

1. Government Recognition & Trust

- After registration, your NGO gets a **Unique Darpan ID**.
- This shows the government and donors that your organisation is **official and trustworthy**.

2. Required for Government Grants & Schemes

- Most government grants, projects, and schemes **need a Darpan ID** to apply.

3. Helps with CSR Funding

- Many companies require NGOs to be **registered on Darpan** before giving CSR funds.

4. FCRA & Tax Benefits

- Registration helps with **FCRA approval** for foreign funding.
- It is also needed for **tax exemptions** like 12A and 80G.

5. National Database Listing

- Your NGO becomes part of a **central database**, making it easier for the government to monitor and contact your organisation.

4. Documents You Need

To register, you'll typically need:

- **NGO PAN Card**
- **Registration Certificate** (Trust Deed / Society Rules / MOA for Section 8 Company)
- **PAN & Aadhaar** cards of at least **three key office members** (like President, Secretary, Treasurer)
- Details of activities, areas of work, and contact information.

5. Step-by-Step Registration Process

Here's the usual way NGOs register on the portal:

Step 1: Visit the Official Portal

Go to the official Darpan portal: <https://ngodarpan.gov.in>

Step 2: Register / Sign Up

Find the **“Register”** or **“Login / Register”** button and create an account with your email and phone number.

Step 3: Fill Organisation Details

Enter your NGO's legal name, registration number, PAN details, address, and area of activities.

Step 4: Upload Documents

Upload scanned copies of required documents — PAN, Trust/Society deed, Aadhaar and PAN of key office bearers.

Step 5: Add Key Members & Details

Add information about key members (with mobile and email), and sometimes a witness's details.

Step 6: Submit & Verify

After providing all details, submit the form. The portal will verify your application. Once approved, you receive your **Unique Darpan ID**.

6. After Registration: What Next?

- **Download your Darpan ID certificate** from the portal.
- Use this ID when applying for government grants or CSR funding.
- Update your profile regularly with latest activities or achievements.

Important Points to Know

- **Registration is free** — No fees are charged by the government.
- The portal helps NGOs **connect directly** with ministries like Health, Social Justice, Women & Child Development, Education, etc.
- The Unique Darpan ID is often required for compliance and formal collaborations.

Key Takeaways

Aspect	Details
What it is	National NGO database & portal
Portal Owners	NITI Aayog + NIC
Purpose	Government-NGO interface
Core Benefit	Grants, CSR, visibility, credibility
Needed Documents	PAN, registration deed, Aadhaar/PAN of office bearers
Cost	Free
Official Website	https://ngodarpan.gov.in