Indian Standard – Enhanced Inscript Keyboard Layouts – IS 16350: 2016

No. 3(37)/2014-EG-II (Vol-I)—Whereas, Government of India (GoI) is implementing the Digital India programme as an umbrella programme to prepare India for a knowledge based transformation into a digitally empowered society and a knowledge economy. Under the overarching vision of Digital India, GoI aims to make Government services digitally accessible to citizens in their localities and to ensure efficiency, transparency and reliability of such services at affordable costs. The momentum can be further augmented if these services and information could be accessed by citizens in their own languages through localization of E-governance applications and

whereas, in this regard, a well laid standard for Keyboard layouts is essential for processing Indian language text while developing eGovernance application and systems and

whereas, the INSCRIPT keyboard layout has been adopted from the 16 bit Unicode ISO 10646 with addition of the 21 Indian languages representations in the Unicode. The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) has published the Indian Standard: "Enhanced Inscript Keyboard layouts – IS 16350: 2016" and

whereas, the Competent Authority has approved and adopted the BIS issued standard IS 16350: 2016 for implementation within the eGovernance domain.

NOW, this Ministry hereby notifies the use of Enhanced Inscript Keyboard layouts – IS 16350: 2016 for all e-Governance systems w.e.f. the date of notification. This standard may be obtained from the Bureau of Indian Standards directly.

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