

# DIGITISATION AND INCLUSIVITY: TAKING EVERYONE ALONG

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## EDITOR'S NOTE

Dear Readers,

In today's world, digitisation is an inescapable reality. Although primarily talked about in the context of the more advanced countries, digitisation is uniquely impacting the lives of millions in this part of the world.

The compounding effects of digitisation has led to a global paradigm shift in how academics and policymakers think about the development of societies. This means that advances in technology can no longer be overlooked in the economic and financial decision-making processes at the national level. Neither can we ignore the realities of how technology can lead to increased or decreased levels of inequality.

This segment of the supplement sheds light on the numerous challenges that rapid technological advancement has brought forth, as well as the countless opportunities that it presents. At the end of the day, what is required is smart, well-planned policies, so that

we can best utilise the possibilities that are ahead.

This issue, "Digitisation and Inclusivity: Taking Everyone Along", is the fourth instalment of our 200-page special supplement on the occasion of *The Daily Star's* 29<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

We would like to thank all the writers, who are experts, practitioners, researchers, scholars and academics, for enriching this issue with very insightful and thought-provoking articles.

We would also like to express our sincere gratitude to our readers and patrons whose endless support and dedication keep us going.

Be sure to follow up on the final instalment of this special supplement titled "The Youth in the Era of Digitalisation" which comes out on February 20.

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