

The Director's 6-Point DPDP Strategic Readiness Checklist (2026 Edition)

A strategic self-assessment for Boards and Directors to mitigate risk, ensure compliance, and build digital trust.

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Data Privacy is now a Boardroom Responsibility.

Our One-Line Offering: We help Boards transform DPDP compliance from a regulatory risk into a competitive advantage and a foundation of digital trust.

1. Data Fiduciary Mapping

Identifying every touchpoint where personal data enters the organization.

The Check: Have we mapped all systems, departments, and data flows handling personal data?

Board Action: Approve a comprehensive data flow map and validate fiduciary ownership.

2. Consent Governance

Auditing notice and consent mechanisms for DPDPA 2023 compliance.

The Check: Are notices clear, multilingual, and free from pre-ticked boxes?

Board Action: Audit customer touchpoints and evaluate the evolving role of Consent Managers in India's digital trust ecosystem.

3. Rights Management

Establishing workflows for Data Principal requests (Access, Correction, Erasure).

The Check: Do we have documented processes to respond within statutory timelines?

Board Action: Approve SOPs and assign accountable owners.

4. Processor Liability

Reviewing and updating vendor contracts for Section 8 compliance.

The Check: Have vendor agreements been updated with DPDP-aligned obligations?

Board Action: Approve contract amendments and maintain a supplier risk register.

5. Incident & Grievance Governance

Structuring breach notification, grievance handling, and response governance.

The Check: Do we have a tested 72-hour breach response and grievance escalation process?

Board Action: Conduct simulation drills and review grievance governance periodically.

6. Board-Level Oversight

Mitigating personal liability for Directors through periodic audits.

The Check: Are Board-level DPDP reviews and oversight decisions formally documented?

Board Action: Schedule quarterly governance reviews and document oversight actions.

Schedule a 15-Minute Governance Briefing

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