



Regional Developments

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Haryana

Union minister inaugurates 5 highway projects in Sonipat, Haryana

On 4 April 2022, Union minister for road transport and highways Nitin Gadkari inaugurated as many as five highway projects in Sonipat, Haryana.

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Haryana govt to give free education to daughters of families earning up to Rs. 180,000 per year

The Haryana government has decided to give free education till post-graduation to daughters of families having annual income up to Rs. 180,000. The initiative comes as a part of the state government's efforts to promote education for girls.

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UHBVN floats tenders for setting up ground/stilt solar PV power plants in Haryana

The Uttar Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited (UHBVN) has floated tenders for setting up decentralized grid-connected ground/stilt solar photovoltaic (PV) power plants in Haryana, with a capacity of 500 kW-2 MW.

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Himachal Pradesh

Himachal Pradesh govt disburses Rs. 137.5 mln to 4,437 girls under Mukhya Mantri Shagun Yojana

The Himachal Pradesh government has so far disbursed Rs. 137.5 million to 4,437 girls in the state under the Mukhya Mantri Shagun Yojana. To avail benefit of this scheme, the girl and her family can apply two months before marriage or within six months of marriage.

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Himachal Pradesh govt records 29% rise in GST revenue in 2021-22

The Himachal Pradesh government registered a 29 per cent increase in revenue collected through Goods & Service Tax (GST) in 2021-22. The state excise & taxation department collected Rs. 44.8 billion in the fiscal, as against Rs. 34.6 billion in 2020-21.

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Himachal Pradesh govt to enhance subsidy on domestic solar plants

The Himachal Pradesh government has decided to increase the financial subvention for setting up grid-connected roof top solar power plants in the state.

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Punjab

Punjab transport minister rolls out iRAD to reduce road accidents

On 1 April 2022, Punjab transport minister Laljit Singh Bhullar launched the Integrated Road Accident Database (iRAD) project in the state. The aim is to reduce the number of road accidents along with improving road designs & identifying accidental black spots.

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16 tonnes of wheat procured in Punjab's Rajpura on day 1

Nearly 16 tonnes of wheat was procured on the first day of procurement in Punjab's Rajpura on 1 April 2022. The state government is expecting around 13.2 million metric tonnes (MMT) of wheat to arrive in the mandis this year.

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Punjab approves 2 key bridges in Gurdaspur, Pathankot

The Punjab government has approved the construction of as many as two key bridges at Makora Pattan in Gurdaspur and Keeri Pattan in Pathankot. The move aims to connect villages that are situated along the Ravi river.

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Gujarat

Gujarat CM approves Rs. 640 mln for construction of railway over bridge on Surat Olpad Road

Gujarat CM Bhupendra Patel has approved a sum of Rs. 640 million for the construction of a railway over bridge to replace the existing one on Surat Olpad Road. The work of constructing a new six-lane over bridge will be undertaken under the Swarnim Jayanti Mukhyamantri Shehri Vikas Yojana.

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300 MW solar plant commissioned in Dholera, Gujarat

A 300 MW solar plant has been commissioned in Dholera, Gujarat, by the Tata Power Renewables Energy Limited (TPREL). It is India's largest single-axis solar tracker system. The project will generate 774 million units (MUs) annually. Along with this, it will reduce approximately 704,340 tonnes per annum of carbon emission.

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NTPC inks pact with Gujarat Gas for blending green hydrogen with PNG

NTPC signed an agreement with Gujarat Gas (GGL) for blending green hydrogen in Piped Natural Gas (PNG) network of GGL. Green hydrogen will be produced by using electricity from the existing 1 megawatt (MW) floating solar project of NTPC Kawas.

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Maharashtra

Union minister inaugurates highway projects in Maharashtra's Navi Mumbai & Raigad

Union road transport and highways minister Nitin Gadkari inaugurated as many as four highway projects in Maharashtra's Navi Mumbai and Raigad. The projects have come up at a cost of Rs. 40 billion.

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Maharashtra CM flags off 2 new Metro lines

On 2 April 2022, Maharashtra Chief Minister (CM) Uddhav Thackeray flagged off two new Metro lines, i.e. Line 2A & 7, which connect the western suburbs of Andheri and Dahisar. The 'Make in India' trains have been equipped with a driverless system.

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Maharashtra govt launches 2 initiatives to strengthen & modernise security forces

The Maharashtra government launched two initiatives to strengthen and modernise the security forces. These include the Dial 112 emergency response service for the police, which will empower citizens to call up the police in emergencies as it will be connected to central control rooms in Navi Mumbai and Nagpur.

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Jammu & Kashmir

J&K admin aims to complete 100,000 developmental works in 2022-23

The J&K administration has set a target to complete 100,000 developmental works and construct 54,000 houses under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Gramin) during 2022-23.

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200 schools in tribal areas of J&K to be upgraded

As many as 200 schools in tribal areas of Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) will be transformed into smart schools. The aim is to provide education on modern lines to children. These schools will be developed at a cost of Rs. 400 million.

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J&K admin collects Rs. 151.8 bln as taxes in 2021-22

The Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) administration collected Rs. 151.8 billion as taxes in 2021-22. This translates to a 25.3 per cent hike over that of the previous fiscal. Besides this, an increase of Rs. 6.2 billion was registered in power receipts.

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Madhya Pradesh

Madhya Pradesh Cabinet takes slew of decisions

On 5 April 2022, the Madhya Pradesh Cabinet approved a proposal to develop as many as five new industrial areas in the state at a cost of Rs. 7.1 billion.

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Madhya Pradesh CM launches Udyam Kranti Yojana

On 5 April 2022, Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister (CM) Shivraj Singh Chouhan launched 'Udyam Kranti Yojana'. Under the scheme, the state government will be providing a loan guarantee of Rs. 100,000-5 million for self-employment with subsidies on the interest rates. The move aims to benefit 100,000 youths in 2022-23.

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Madhya Pradesh govt to commence works on 12 irrigation projects

The Madhya Pradesh government has decided to soon commence works on 12 irrigation projects in Narmada Valley. The projects will be taken up at a cost of Rs. 267.1 billion. Once completed, irrigation facility will be available in about 590,000 hectares.

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Tamil Nadu

Tamil Nadu govt forms panel to develop federal fiscal model

The Tamil Nadu government has constituted a six-member advisory council to develop a federal fiscal model. The council will study the fiscal powers of the state & central governments with special reference to the Goods & Services Tax (GST) and the levy of cesses & surcharges.

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Tamil Nadu CM inaugurates Periyar Samathuvapuram in Villupuram

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister (CM) MK Stalin inaugurated the Periyar Samathuvapuram at Kozhuvuri in the Villupuram district, today. He stressed the need for the country to emerge as a Samathuvapuram, i.e. equality village, so that all hurdles created by caste and religion are eradicated.

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Tamil Nadu govt constitutes 13-member panel to frame new state education policy

On 5 April 2022, the Tamil Nadu government formed a 13-member panel to frame a new state education policy. The panel has been asked to give its recommendations to frame the new education policy within a year.

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Andhra Pradesh

Andhra Pradesh govt comes out with scheme to promote ultra-modern aqua hubs

The Andhra Pradesh fisheries department has come out with a scheme to promote ultra-modern aqua hubs and develop a well-knit domestic fish market. The scheme also aims to increase fish consumption to at least 15-25 kg per capita, as against the present five-seven kg per capita.

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Andhra Pradesh minister inaugurates new school buildings in Chittoor

On 3 April 2022, Andhra Pradesh panchayat raj minister Peddireddy Ramachandra Reddy inaugurated new school buildings at Pedda Upparapalli village in Chittoor district, under the YSR Nadu Nedu scheme.

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Andhra Pradesh CM launches dedicated transportation facility for new mothers

Andhra Pradesh CM YS Jaganmohan Reddy launched a dedicated transportation facility for new mothers who deliver at government hospitals. As part of it, he flagged off as many as 500 'Thalli Bidda Express' vehicles.

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Karnataka

Karnataka govt to raise subsidy paid to SC, ST under Land Ownership Scheme

The Karnataka government has decided to raise the subsidy paid to Scheduled Caste (SC) and Scheduled Tribe (ST) communities under the Land Ownership Scheme from Rs. 1.5 million to Rs. 2 million.

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Karnataka's GST collection for 2021-22 stands at Rs. 87.5 bln

Karnataka's GST collection for the 2021-22 financial year stood at Rs. 87.5 billion, as against Rs. 79.1 billion collected during 2020-21. Of the total, GST for March 2022 amounted to nearly Rs. 4.2 billion, while Rs. 91.7 billion was earned in February 2020.

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Wipro GE Healthcare establishes greenfield medical device unit in Bengaluru under PLI scheme

Wipro GE Healthcare announced the opening of a new medical device manufacturing factory in Bengaluru, which was established under the government's PLI scheme.

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Telangana

Telangana govt to provide free coaching to 900 eligible ST candidates in 2 districts

The Telangana tribal welfare department has decided to provide free coaching to a total of 900 eligible Scheduled Tribe (ST) candidates belonging to Bhadradri-Kothagudem and Khammam districts.

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Telangana govt launches Y-hub

Telangana information technology (IT) & industries minister KT Rama Rao and education minister Sabitha Indira Reddy launched India's first innovation hub, called Y-Hub.

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Telangana minister inaugurates 3 new link roads

The Minister for Municipal Administration & Urban Development, Industries & Commerce, and Information Technology of Telangana KT Rama Rao (popularly known by his initials KTR) inaugurated three major projects in an attempt to reduce traffic problems in the western part of Hyderabad.

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Delhi

Delhi's DTC to get 62 e-buses soon

The Delhi Transport Corporation (DTC) is likely to get as many as 62 electric buses (e-buses) soon. With this, the environment-friendly buses on the national capital's roads would increase from the present two to 64.

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Delhi govt inaugurates Centre for Healthcare, Allied Medical & Paramedical Sciences at DSEU

On 4 April 2022, Delhi deputy chief minister Manish Sisodia inaugurated the Centre for Healthcare, Allied Medical and Paramedical Sciences at the Delhi Skill and Entrepreneurship University (DSEU). The Centre has decided to provide industry-relevant world-class education in healthcare and its many segments, including paramedical domain.

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Centre to redevelop New Delhi Railway Station under PPP mode

The Centre has decided to redevelop the New Delhi Railway Station under the public-private partnership (PPP) mode, informed Union railways minister Ashwini Vaishnaw.

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Uttar Pradesh

Uttar Pradesh CM rolls out 'School Chalo Abhiyan'

Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister (CM) Yogi Adityanath rolled out the 'School Chalo Abhiyan' in the state, today. The programme aims to achieve 100 per cent enrolment in primary and upper primary schools.

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Uttar Pradesh govt kick-starts anti-romeo drive

On 3 April 2022, the Uttar Pradesh police kick-started an anti-romeo drive under Mission Shakti 4.0. The aim is to ensure the safety of women and girls.

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Uttar Pradesh govt sets up dedicated command centre for monitoring waste disposal

The Uttar Pradesh government has set up a dedicated command centre at the directorate for real-time monitoring of cleaning and solid waste disposal work in cities.

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Rajasthan

Rajasthan CM launches first-of-its-kind Mobile Investigation Unit

On 4 April 2022, Rajasthan Chief Minister (CM) Ashok Gehlot launched the first-of-its-kind Mobile Investigation Unit (MIU). The unit has been equipped with modern machines which will allow the investigating officer to take pictures of the site, record the statement and feed data to the computer.

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Rajasthan becomes first state in India to develop 10.5 GW power capacity

Rajasthan has become the first state in India to develop a 10.5 GW power capacity. The state would emerge as the biggest solar hub with the MoUs and letters of intent (LoI) signed in the 2021-22 financial year.

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Rajasthan govt approves Film Tourism Promotion Policy

The Rajasthan government has approved the Rajasthan Film Tourism Promotion Policy. The policy has provisions to provide financial assistance, awards, cash rewards and other incentives for the production of native films in the state.

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West Bengal

Centre transfers Rs. 26.1 bln to over 4.6 mln farmers in West Bengal under PM KISAN

The central government has so far transferred approximately Rs. 26.1 billion to over 4.6 million eligible farmers in West Bengal under the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM KISAN). Under the scheme, Rs. 6,000 per year is provided to the eligible farmer families, which is payable in three equal installments of Rs. 2,000.

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India's first underwater Metro tunnel to become functional in West Bengal by 2023

Works on the construction of India's first underwater Metro tunnel in West Bengal's Kolkata are underway and will be completed by 2023. The structure is set to come up under the Hooghly river at a depth of 33-metres for the purpose of establishing Metro connectivity between Howrah and Kolkata.

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West Bengal to get specialised women police force in every district

On 6 April 2022, the West Bengal Cabinet took a decision to form a specialised women police force in every district and commissionerate of the state. The move aims to increase the security of women by keeping a check on crimes against them.

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Bihar

Bihar govt to replace diesel-powered buses with CNG ones

The Bihar transport department is planning to phase out all the diesel-powered buses from the Patna municipal area and neighboring Danapur, Khagaul & Phulwarishari. As many as 50 compressed natural gas (CNG) buses have been procured in the first phase. These 24-seater green buses will hit the city roads by the end of April 2022.

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BSFC Bhawan in Bihar will now work as startup tower: Minister Shahnawaz Hussain

In a bid to further promote startups in Bihar, state Industry Minister Syed Shahnawaz Hussain announced that the Bihar State Finance Corporation (BSFC) Bhawan on Fraser Road will now work as a 'startup tower' and Indra Bhawan at Hartali Chowk as an 'investment hub' where investors from across the world will get all services under one roof.

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Odisha

IPICOL identifies 9 sectors for attracting investments in Odisha

The Industrial Promotion and Investment Corporation of Odisha Limited (IPICOL) has identified nine major sectors for attracting investments into Odisha during 2022-23.

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Centre approves 4 high-level bridges for Odisha

The Centre has given nod for the construction of four high-level bridges in Odisha under the Central Road and Infrastructure Fund (CRIF). These projects will be taken up at a cost of Rs. 183 million.

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JSPL plans to develop its Odisha steel plant into largest & greenest facility in world

Jindal Steel & Power (JSPL) said that it would develop its Odisha plant into the largest and greenest facility in the world. The company's chairman Naveen Jindal said that JSPL has secured sufficient reserves of coal to enable the mega steel company to enhance its capacity for green steel making.

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North-East

Centre approves 27 road projects in Arunachal Pradesh under CRIF

The Centre has approved a total of 27 road projects in Arunachal Pradesh, under the Central Road Infrastructure Fund (CRIF). The cost of these road projects, which are aimed at improving road connectivity in the state, has been pegged at Rs. 5.5 billion.

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Centre launches IACS to connect 3 NE states with selected international destinations

The Centre has launched the International Air Connectivity Scheme (IACS) with the objective of enhancing air connectivity between a few north-eastern (NE) states of the country and selected international destinations to promote socio-economic growth.

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Farmers from Assam sell tea worth Rs. 75 bln at GTAC in 2 years

In the last two years, farmers from Assam have sold tea worth over Rs. 75 billion at Guwahati Tea Auction Centre (GTAC). Of this, around 182.9 million kg of tea was sold in 2020-21 and 177.8 million kg in 2021-22 up to February 2022.

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Jharkhand

Jharkhand govt alters its academic year for 3 years

The Jharkhand government has altered its academic year from the current session 2022-23 for a period of three years, till 2025-26. With this, the new academic year in state government-affiliated schools will commence from July, instead of the existing practice of April.

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Jharkhand govt approves Rs. 720 mln for distributing agricultural equipments

The Jharkhand government has approved Rs. 720 million for distributing mini tractors and other agricultural equipments in the state. The initiative will benefit as many as 600 self-help groups (SHGs) & 150 individual progressive farmers.

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Parliament passes Bill to include Jharkhand's Bhogta community in ST list

On 5 April 2022, the Parliament passed the Constitution (Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes) Order (Amendment) Bill to include Jharkhand's Bhogta community in the list of Scheduled Tribes (ST) after removing it from the Scheduled Caste (SC) category.

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Kerala

Feeder buses for Kerala's bypass rider service begin operations

Feeder buses for Kerala's upcoming Thiruvananthapuram-Kozhikode Bypass Rider service of the Kerala State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) have begun operations in the city on a trial basis, along the Vyttila-Menaka-Vyttila circular route.

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28 roads in Kerala's Ambalappuzha set to be renovated

As many as 28 roads in Kerala's Ambalappuzha are set to be reconstructed at a cost of Rs. 250 million. Since all these roads are in a dilapidated condition, bituminous macadam and bituminous concrete (BMBC) topping will be provided.

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Kerala govt to launch solid waste management project

The Kerala government is preparing to roll out the waste management project for improving solid waste collection across the state. The total project cost has been pegged at Rs. 21 billion, of which Rs. 14.7 billion will be funded by the World Bank.

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