



Regional Developments

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Haryana

Haryana govt approves Rs. 26 bln funding from JICA for creating horticulture value chain

The Haryana government has approved INR 26 billion funding from the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) for creating a horticulture value chain in the state. The move would directly benefit approximately 300,000 farmers.

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Haryana's GMDA installs face recognition cameras at Metro stations

The Gurugram Metropolitan Development Authority (GMDA) has installed eight facial recognition cameras at the entry and exit of the MG Road Metro station. Eight such cameras will also be installed at the Sikanderpur metro station before June 10.

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Haryana govt to upgrade roads in rural areas adjoining cities to 4-lane ones

Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar said roads in the rural area adjoining cities will soon be upgraded to four-lane to make traffic movement smoother.

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Himachal Pradesh

Himachal Pradesh CM inaugurates, lays foundation for 30 projects in Shimla

On 3 June 2022, Himachal Pradesh CM Jai Ram Thakur inaugurated and laid foundation stones for 30 developmental projects worth about Rs. 1.2 billion in the Rampur Assembly segment, Shimla.

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Himachal Pradesh Cabinet approves drone policy

On 6 June 2022, the Himachal Pradesh Cabinet, chaired by CM Jai Ram Thakur, approved the 'Himachal Pradesh Drone Policy'. The goal is to spread drone-enabled technologies as a means of bringing economic development and providing job opportunities.

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Rainwater harvesting programme launched in 61 govt schools of Himachal Pradesh

On 7 June 2022, Union Information and Broadcasting and Sports Minister Anurag Thakur launched the rainwater harvesting programme in 61 government schools of Himachal Pradesh.

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Punjab

Punjab govt to help women in setting up small commercial dairy farms

The Punjab government will set up a number of small commercial dairy farms in the state and focus on involving women in the business.

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Punjab govt approves new excise policy for 2022-23

On 8 June 2022, the Punjab government approved a new excise policy for 2022-23. Following this, prices of liquor in the state are expected to drop by at least 30 to 40 per cent.

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Punjab Cabinet takes slew of decisions

To further strengthen the rural infrastructure, the Punjab Cabinet led by CM Bhagwant Mann gave a nod to the introduction of the Punjab Rural Development (Amendment) Bill-2022 by amending Section-7 of the Punjab Rural Development Act-1987 in the upcoming session.

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Gujarat

Gujarat govt, Analytix Solutions commit investments worth Rs. 2.5 bln in IT/ITeS sector

Under the recently rolled out IT and ITeS policy by the state government, Ahmedabad IT firm Analytix Solutions has inked an MoU with the Gujarat government, committing investments worth INR 250 crore over the next five years.

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Gujarat govt to reduce carbon emissions to 139 MT by 2030

Gujarat has set a target to reduce carbon emissions from energy production to 139 million tonnes by 2030 by raising its installed capacity of renewable energy to 68,000 MW over the next eight years, a state government official said.

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PM lays foundation stone for various development projects in Gujarat

On June 10, Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone for a number of development projects in Gujarat totaling INR 3,050 crores. These projects would assist improve the region's water supply while also increasing connection and making life easier.

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Maharashtra

Maharashtra govt aims to declare all eligible mangrove cover as legal forest area

The Maharashtra government is making efforts to declare the entire eligible mangrove cover in the state as a legal forest area under the Indian Forest Act. Out of the total mangrove area of 32,000 hectares, around 19,000 hectares is eligible to be brought under the law.

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Maharashtra govt launches programme for skilling school students

The Maharashtra government has launched the Maharashtra Young Leaders' Aspiration Development Programme. Under the initiative, the state government has tied up with HCL Technologies for an early career programme which will benefit 20,000 government school students of class XII batches of 2021 and 2022 who opted for Mathematics.

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24 companies sign investment deals worth Rs. 800 bln with Maharashtra govt

At the World Economic Forum Annual Meeting 2022, Maharashtra signed over INR 80,000 cr in investment intentions with 24 companies and 3 MoUs of strategic co-operation.

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Jammu & Kashmir

Anti-polythene drive intensified across J&K

The J&K pollution control committee has intensified the anti-polythene drive. The aim is to eradicate the menace of polythene carry bags across the union territory.

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J&K admin launches special teachers' training programme for students' socio-emotional well-being

A special teachers' training programme on using art-based tools for the emotional well-being of children and enhancing their academic performance has been launched in J&K. The aim is to improve the overall socio-emotional wellbeing of students, especially the ones who cannot express their concerns and grievances verbally.

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J&K LG inaugurates 9 projects

On 7 June 2022, J&K Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha inaugurated nine projects of the Jhelum and Tawi Flood Recovery Project (JTFRP) funded by the World Bank.

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Madhya Pradesh

Madhya Pradesh govt to launch command centre for monitoring public vehicles

Travelling in public vehicles like buses, taxis, and autos will soon become safer as the Madhya Pradesh Transport Department has decided to open a command center to monitor all public vehicles.

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Madhya Pradesh govt waives Rs. 1 bln monthly vehicle tax for passenger buses

The Madhya Pradesh Cabinet cleared a proposal to completely waive off the monthly vehicle tax of INR 103.50 crore on passenger buses for the period from April 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021 due to the Corona lockdown.

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Madhya Pradesh govt plans to develop 300 home stays in villages

Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board is targeting to develop close to 300 home stays in the state in the ongoing financial year in villages and near famous tourist spots, a move aimed at luring tourist footfall and generating employment opportunities in rural belts.

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Tamil Nadu

Tamil Nadu to have 900 EV charging stations by year-end

In a bid to go green, Public sector Oil Marketing Companies of Tamil Nadu will be setting up 900 e-charging stations in the state with Indian Oil Corporation, Hindustan Petroleum Corporation, and Bharat Petroleum Corporation taking the lead.

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Tamil Nadu CM launches beach lifeguard training programme for fishermen youth

On 7 June 2022, Tamil Nadu Chief Minister (CM) MK Stalin launched a beach lifeguard training programme for the fishermen youth. Nearly 1,000 youths from 14 coastal districts of the state will be trained under the initiative.

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Several initiatives launched to help women entrepreneurs in Tamil Nadu

The Tamil Nadu government has several schemes for women entrepreneurs who want to set up businesses, and the state is helping them to ideate and source funds, said T.M. Anbarasan, Minister for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.

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Andhra Pradesh

Andhra Pradesh's East Godavari admin to spend Rs. 150 mln for development of 2 ghats

Andhra Pradesh's East Godavari administration has decided to spend INR 150 million for the development of the Gowthami and Saraswathi ghats in Rajamahendravaram. Of this, INR 100 million has been set aside for taking up the beautification of tourism infrastructure at the Gowthami ghat and INR 50 million for works to be undertaken at the Saraswathi ghat.

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APTDC to set up ropeways at 25 tourist destinations in Andhra Pradesh

In an attempt to make AP the biggest tourist destination, Andhra Pradesh Tourism Development Corporation is planning to take up ropeway projects in 25 tourist places.

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Andhra Pradesh govt to introduce drone technology in farming

The AP government is reportedly planning to implement drone technology in crop fertilisation, a move that is not only expected to increase the yield but also significantly bring down the risk to the health of farmers.

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Karnataka

Karnataka govt to set up Grama One centres

The Karnataka government has decided to set up Grama One centres across the state. The move aims to provide government services at village levels.

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Karnataka gets 4 mobile medical laboratories

Infosys Foundation, the CSR arm of Infosys, has launched four mobile laboratories to provide cost-effective diagnostic solutions and curb the spread of communicable diseases primarily among the rural population of Karnataka.

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Karnataka govt signs MoU for setting up green hydrogen, ammonia plant in Mangaluru

ACME Cleantech Solutions Private Limited has signed an MoU with the Karnataka government proposing to invest INR 51,865 crore in the state within five years for setting up a green hydrogen and ammonia plant with an associated solar power unit in Mangaluru.

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Telangana

Telangana minister unveils development projects in 2 towns

On 10 June 2022, Telangana Rashtra Samithi (TRS) working president and Telangana Information Technology (IT) Minister KT Rama Rao introduced several development activities in Vemulawada and Korutla constituencies.

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Telangana govt receives investments worth Rs. 12 bln

Telangana secured investments worth INR 1,200 crore for an ethanol plant as well as biogas production units.

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Delhi

Delhi govt launches Green Action Plan

On 5 June 2022, Delhi Environment Minister Gopal Rai launched the 'Green Action Plan for Delhi'. It aims at making the national capital greener and cleaner. The plan consists of planting over 3.5 million saplings across the city this year.

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DIAL launches Green Transportation Programme for IGIA, Delhi

On 6 June 2022, the Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) launched the 'Green Transportation Programme'. Under the initiative, it has decided to introduce EVs on the airside of the Indira Gandhi International Airport, in a phased manner.

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Delhi gets 116 EV chargers under single window scheme

Magenta ChargeGrid has installed around 116 EV chargers under the Delhi government Single window scheme. The chargers have been installed in several locations in Delhi such as Munirka, Chattarpur, Jamia Nagar, Vasant Kunj, Dwarka, Rohini, and more.

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CAQM to ban use of coal as fuel in Delhi-NCR from 1 Jan 2023

The Commission for Air Quality Management (CAQM) has issued directions to ban the use of coal in industrial, domestic, and other miscellaneous applications in the entire Delhi-NCR region from January 1, 2023.

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Uttar Pradesh

PepsiCo India to invest Rs. 1.8 bln in Uttar Pradesh

PepsiCo India has announced that it will invest an extra INR 186 crore in the development and expansion of its food production facility in Kosi Kalan, Mathura, Uttar Pradesh. The total investment by PepsiCo in its largest greenfield foods production plant, which produces Lay's potato chips, will be INR 1,022 crore.

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Adani Group commits to invest Rs. 700 bln in Uttar Pradesh

Leading industrialist Gautam Adani committed an investment of INR 70,000 crore in Uttar Pradesh at the third edition of the UP Investors Summit in Lucknow. Speaking at the event, he said this investment will create 30,000 jobs in India's most populous state.

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3 renewable energy projects to be taken up in Uttar Pradesh by SJVN

Power producer SJVN will invest over INR 1,000 crore to set up three renewable energy projects in Uttar Pradesh.

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Tata Projects Ltd to build Noida International Airport in Uttar Pradesh

Yamuna International Airport Private Limited has selected Tata Projects Ltd to build the Noida International Airport (NIA).

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Rajasthan

Rajasthan witnesses 400% rise in EV registrations in past 4 years

Rajasthan has witnessed an over 400 per cent rise in registration of e-vehicles in the past four years from 2018 till 2021, according to official records. Last year, the state saw the highest registrations so far with 31,368 e-vehicles registered. In the current financial year, 11,016 e-vehicles have been registered so far.

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Rajasthan govt signs MoU to save soil

The Rajasthan government has signed an MoU with Isha Foundation to save soil by preventing and reversing the desertification of fertile lands. With this, Rajasthan has become the second Indian state to do so, after Gujarat.

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West Bengal

West Bengal govt to add 2,000 e-buses in 3-4 years

In a bid to reduce vehicular pollution, the West Bengal government is focusing on adding 2,000 electric buses to its fleet and also converting at least 3,000 diesel-run buses into CNG-powered vehicles in the next few years.

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West Bengal govt plans to form commission for monitoring fee structure of private schools

Bratya Basu, State Education Minister stated that the West Bengal government is setting up a regulatory panel to keep a tab on the fee structure of private schools. This has come following reports of many private schools charging steep fees on heads like electricity, transport, and development even though the campuses were closed for two years amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Union minister launches multiple railway projects in West Bengal

On 10 June 2022, Union Minister of State for Railways Raosaheb Patil Danve launched multiple railway projects in West Bengal.

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Bihar

Foundation stones laid for various health facilities at AIIMS Patna

On 5 June 2022, Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya laid the foundation stones for various health facilities at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) Patna in Bihar. Besides this, he inaugurated the state-of-the-art auditorium at the medical institute.

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Union minister inaugurates, lays foundation for 15 NH projects in Bihar

On 7 June 2022, Union Road Transport & Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari inaugurated and laid foundation stones for 15 national highway (NH) projects in Bihar's Patna and Hajipur. The total cost of the projects has been pegged at INR 135.8 billion.

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Bihar CM unveils new textile and leather policy

On 8 June 2022, Bihar CM Nitish Kumar launched the Bihar Textile and Leather Policy. The policy aims to attract investment into the state and generate employment.

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Odisha

Odisha CM reshuffles state Cabinet

On 5 June 2022, Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik reshuffled the state Cabinet, inducting 13 MLAs in the cabinet and appointing eight others as minister of state (independent charge).

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Odisha govt approves 11 investment proposals worth Rs. 20.8 bln

The state government has approved 11 investment proposals worth INR 2,082 crore in sectors like tourism, information technology, and electronics system design and manufacturing and downstream which will create 3,612 new jobs.

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Odisha govt to launch 'Anaemia Mukta Laqshya Abhiyan' in July

Odisha government is all set to launch a new initiative in mission mode for accelerated reduction of anaemia among the children and women in the state. The 'Anaemia Mukta Laqshya Abhiyan' (Amlan) that combines national and global best practices in the management of anaemia is likely to be introduced in July.

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North-East

100 WHPs set up across Nagaland under RKVY

Nagaland state has a total of 100 water harvesting ponds (WHPs) for irrigation augmentation under the Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) with a total cost of INR 90 lakh as of 2021-2022. A total of 65 villages in Nagaland were covered under the RKVY WHP, with Zunheboto district having the most, with 18 WHPs covering 18 villages at a cost of INR 16.2 lakh.

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Meghalaya's Shillong to get Regional Cancer Centre in NEIGRIHMS premises

Meghalaya's Shillong is set to get a Regional Cancer Centre in the North Eastern Indira Gandhi Regional Institute of Health and Medical Sciences premises. It is expected to be a breather for the increasing number of cancer patients in the state.

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NFR to invest Rs. 952.6 bln for connecting capitals of 3 NE states

The Northeast Frontier Railway would invest over INR 95,261 crore to execute 21 projects including connecting the state capitals of three northeastern states - Manipur, Mizoram, and Meghalaya by 2023, and Nagaland capital Kohima by 2026.

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Jharkhand

Jharkhand govt expands overseas scholarship scheme

The Jharkhand government has expanded the overseas scholarship scheme to include students from Scheduled Castes, minorities, and OBCs along with STs to help them pursue higher education in the United Kingdom.

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Jharkhand govt plans to develop 4 solar power parks

The Jharkhand government is planning to develop as many as four solar power parks in the state with a collective capacity of 80 MW. These power parks will come up in Garhwa, Palamu, Simdega, and Deoghar.

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Kerala

Technology to reduce life-cycle cost of boats launched in Kerala's Kochi

An innovative method to reduce the carbon footprint and the life-cycle cost of boats by retrofitting them with electric modular kits has been launched in Kochi, Kerala. A conventional fishing boat retrofitted with the kit can save as much as INR 2,500 per day on operational expenses.

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NHAI to expedite land acquisition for Kundannur-Angamaly greenfield NH in Kerala

The National Highways Authority of India will speed up the process to commence land acquisition for the 40-km Kundannur-Angamaly greenfield NH that was mooted in 2016, with congested highways in Kochi being seen as a choking point for vehicles.

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Kerala govt launches QR-based virtual travel guide for tourists

On 6 June 2022, Kerala Tourism Minister launched a QR code-based virtual travel guide for the state. The guide aims to provide information on tourist destinations in the state, along with details about the distance to the nearest bus stand, railway station, and airport.

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14 new industrial parks to be opened in Kerala

As many as 14 new industrial parks will be opened in Kerala this year, informed Industries Minister P Rajeeve, on 8 June 2022.

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