



Regional Developments

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Haryana

HPGCL floats tenders for 121 MW of solar power projects in 3 Haryana districts

Haryana Power Generation Corporation (HPGCL) has invited bids to install and commission 121 MW of grid-connected solar power projects at Faridabad (78 MW), Panipat (25 MW), and Yamuna Nagar (18 MW).

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Haryana Cabinet approves various policies

On 27 June 2022, the Haryana Cabinet approved various policies, including the Haryana State Startup Policy. It aims to boost and nurture the vibrant startup ecosystem in the state to help budding startups at different stages of their entrepreneurial journey.

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Haryana govt to digitalise all PACS

The Haryana government has decided to digitalise all primary agriculture cooperative societies (PACS) of the state. Under the initiative, as many as 307 PACS of the state will be fully computerized by 31 August and another 423 by November 2022.

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Himachal Pradesh

Himachal Pradesh CM launches 'Naari Ko Naman' scheme

On 30 June 2022, Himachal Pradesh CM Jai Ram Thakur launched the 'Naari Ko Naman' scheme. Under the initiative, the Himachal Road Transport Corporation will charge women travellers only half the fare for their intra-state travel.

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Himachal Pradesh govt to set up skill development centres for school dropouts

Centres for the skill development of as many as 4,700 school dropouts will be started at 50 identified locations in 10 districts by July-end. The move is aimed at opening employment avenues for them by providing practical training and certification.

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Himachal Pradesh to buy plastic waste from students

Students of eco clubs in government schools of Himachal Pradesh can earn a few bucks by collecting single-use plastic waste from their homes and schools and depositing it with the clubs.

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Punjab

Punjab govt to start 'Mohalla Clinics' project by deputing doctors on contract basis

The Punjab Government is all set to start its flagship health project – mohalla clinics – by deputing doctors on a contract basis. The new recruits will get a minimum salary at the rate of INR 50 per patient for 50 patients per day, totaling nearly INR 63,000 per month.

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Punjab Assembly passes 4 Bills, resolution against 'Agnipath Yojana'

On 30 June 2022, the Punjab Assembly passed four Bills - the Punjab State Legislature Members (Pension & Medical Facilities Regulation) Amendment Bill, Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets (Amendment) Bill, Punjab Fiscal Responsibility & Budget Management (Amendment) Bill, and Punjab Rural Development (Amendment) Bill.

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Punjab govt to launch agriculture pump sets policy

The Punjab government will soon launch an agriculture pump sets policy. The objective is to give new tubewell connections to farmers in the state.

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Punjab Budget 2022-23: 500 Government Schools To Get Digital Classrooms To Boost Education System

In a push for educational infrastructure, Punjab CM Bhagwant Mann now aims to transform state-run schools into 'schools of eminence.'

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Gujarat

Centre approves Rs. 37.6 bln for taking up works on 34 NHs in Gujarat

Commuting will be easier in Gujarat as works of 34 national highways at a cost of INR 3,760.64 crore has been approved by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, said the State Roads and Housing Minister Purnesh Modi.

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McDonald's India launches all-women drive-thru restaurant in Gujarat

McDonald's India has announced the launch of its first all-women drive-thru restaurant in Ekta Nagar, Gujarat. To run this drive-thru restaurant, Westlife Development, McDonald's India's franchise partner, employed 28 women from nearby villages.

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Maharashtra

Novartis opens new manufacturing unit in Mumbai

Novartis has opened its new manufacturing plant for generic oral cancer medicines at Kalwe in Mumbai. Spread across 32,000 sqm, and housing state-of-the-art production technology, the plant is built to cater to export markets.

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Maharashtra govt signs MoU to generate 11,000 MW of green power

The Maharashtra government's Energy Department has signed an MoU with Adani Green Energy Group Ltd to generate 11000 MW of green power in the next five years. It would entail an investment of INR 60,000 crore and provide employment to 30,000 persons.

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Jammu & Kashmir

Centre sanctions Rs. 33.9 bln for 2 road projects in J&K

Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Government of India has sanctioned two road projects for UT of Jammu and Kashmir with the budgetary allocation of INR 3,397 crores.

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DPIIT to execute Central Sector Scheme for Industrial Development in J&K

The Department for Promotion of Investments and Internal Trade plans to engage a leading consulting agency for helping it and the UT government in the successful implementation of the INR 28,400-crore Central Sector Scheme for Industrial Development of J&K.

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MoU signed to work on capacity building of IT infrastructure, e-services in J&K

The Jammu and Kashmir administration has signed an MoU with the Indian Institute of Technology, Jammu to jointly work on capacity building of the information technology infrastructure and e-services, officials said.

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J&K admin to roll out job policy

Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha said that maximum youth will get jobs in the coming days as the government will roll out a job policy soon.

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Madhya Pradesh

Madhya Pradesh govt to introduce Chief Minister Bal Ashirwad Scheme

The Madhya Pradesh government has decided to introduce the Chief Minister Bal Ashirwad Scheme. Under the initiative, financial support of INR 2,000 per month will be given to COVID-19 distressed children.

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Tamil Nadu

Centre sanctions Rs. 26 bln for healthcare sector in Tamil Nadu

The Centre has sanctioned an amount to the tune of INR 26 billion for the healthcare sector of Tamil Nadu under the National Health Mission. Besides this, Rs. 4 billion has been set aside for the development of medical infrastructure.

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World Bank grants USD 190 mln loan to TN govt to address housing needs of poor

The World Bank has granted a Development Policy Loan of USD 190 million to the TN government to help the state government address the housing needs of the lower-income groups and vulnerable population.

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Tamil Nadu govt to set up mega footwear manufacturing park in Ranipet

The Tamil Nadu government has proposed to establish a mega footwear manufacturing park at an estimated INR 400 crore at Panapakkam in Ranipet district. The proposed park would generate employment opportunities for more than 20,000 people, particularly women.

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Tamil Nadu CM inaugurates 5 industrial estates constructed by MSME dept

On the occasion of World MSMEs day, Chief Minister MK Stalin inaugurated five industrial estates constructed by the MSME department at the cost of INR 171.24 crore. The new five industrial estates are in Chengalpattu, Tiruvannamalai, Salem, Namakkal, and Pudukottai.

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Tamil Nadu bags IGSS ventures' Rs 25,000 crore semiconductor park

Singapore-based IGSS Ventures, one of the three applicants for central government incentives to set up semiconductor fabrication units, has chosen Tamil Nadu as its factory location.

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Andhra Pradesh

Andhra Pradesh tops ease of doing business ranking

Andhra Pradesh has topped the Business Reform Action Plan 2020 Rankings in the Ease Of Doing Business. AP stood first with a score of 97.89 per cent followed by Gujarat with a score of 97.77 per cent, Telangana 94.86 per cent, Tamil Nadu's 96.97 per cent.

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Andhra Pradesh govt to establish junior colleges in every mandal

The state government has decided to setup exclusive junior colleges for girls in all mandals. It has decided to open at least two government junior colleges in each of the mandals. Of them, one college will be dedicated for girls in every mandal.

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Arts & handicrafts kiosks inaugurated at Vizianagaram, Chipurupalli stations in Andhra Pradesh

On 27 June 2022, Divisional Railway Manager Anup Satpathy inaugurated arts & handicrafts kiosks at Vizianagaram and Chipurupalli stations in Andhra Pradesh. The development has come as part of the 'One Station, One Product'.

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Karnataka

Karnataka govt's redesigned 'Skill Connect' web portal to be launched on 15 July

Minister for Higher Education and Skill Development CN Ashwath Narayan said that Karnataka will launch the redesigned web portal 'Skill Connect' of the Skill Development Department on 15 July.

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Karnataka gov launches 'Kashi Yatra' project

On 27 June 2022, the Karnataka government launched the 'Kashi Yatra' project. Under the project, cash assistance of INR 5,000 each will be provided to 30,000 pilgrims by offering them a pilgrimage to the Kashi Vishwanath Temple in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh.

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Centre launches 'One Health' in Karnataka

The Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying (DAHD), Government of India, has launched the pilot project on 'One Health' in Karnataka, which will "form the basis for the development of the One Health Framework for India".

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Telangana

Telangana govt releases Rs. 18.2 bln under Rythu Bandhu scheme

The Telangana government deposited INR 18.2 billion in the bank accounts of as many as 3.6 million farmers under the Rythu Bandhu scheme. According to State Agriculture Minister S Niranjan Reddy, another INR 75 billion will be released to benefit 6.8 million farmers covering six hectares of land.

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Telangana CM inaugurates T-Hub 2.0 in Hyderabad

Telangana CM K Chandrashekar Rao has inaugurated the world's largest innovation campus, T-Hub 2.0, in Hyderabad. It will serve as a forum to raise the profile of India's innovation ecosystem on the international stage and further strengthen the vibrant startup ecosystem & assist them on their growth path.

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Telangana govt signs pact with Flipkart

On 25 June 2022, the Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty, Telangana, signed an MoU with Flipkart. The pact aims to facilitate market access for FPOs and self-help groups' products.

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Delhi

Delhi govt gives nod to implement Smart Urban Farming Initiative

The Delhi Cabinet, led by Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal, gave its approval to the Smart Urban Farming Initiative. Delhi will witness a sharp rise in its green cover under the Smart Urban Farming Initiative and public participation will help take the movement forward.

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Delhi govt to introduce 1,950 buses by Sept 2023

The Delhi cabinet has approved the procurement of 1,950 new buses - 1,500 electric and 450 CNG-run air-conditioned buses - and also decided to issue fresh tenders for procuring another 4,800 buses, which, once they arrive, will take the bus fleet strength to over 11,000 by December 2024.

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Delhi minister approves projects worth Rs. 135.8 mln to revamp 17 roads

Deputy CM Manish Sisodia has given his approval to projects worth INR 13.58 crore for the beautification and strengthening of 17 roads in Tilak Nagar, VIKASPURI, and Janakpuri. A total road length of 12.83 kilometres will be covered under this project.

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Uttar Pradesh

'One Station One Product' scheme to be expanded to 11 railway stations across UP

The success of the 'one station one product' pilot project at Varanasi Junction has moved the Northern Railway's Lucknow division to expand the scheme across Uttar Pradesh. The NR is introducing the scheme to 11 more railway stations.

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Uttar Pradesh Cabinet approves setting up 4 data centres

In a decisive push to investment by private players in UP, the state cabinet headed by chief minister Yogi Adityanath has approved the scheme of providing a financial incentive for the establishment of data centres in the state.

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Uttar Pradesh govt to launch new policy for MSMEs

Uttar Pradesh's MSME Minister Rakesh Sachan said that the state government will soon introduce a new policy for MSME (Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises) to help facilitate investors setting up industries and ensure ease of doing business.

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Uttar Pradesh CM launches Amazon's first Digital Kendra in Kanpur

Uttar Pradesh CM Yogi Adityanath launched Amazon's first Digital Kendra in Kanpur. The facility would accelerate digitisation of local stores and small businesses in the city and surrounding areas.

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Rajasthan

Rajasthan ranks first in providing residents with online services

Rajasthan has been rated a leading state in delivering online services to citizens, says the National e-Governance Service Delivery Assessment (NeSDA) 2021 report, an initiative of the Centre's Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances.

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Union minister inaugurates, lays foundation for 9 NH projects in Rajasthan

On 27 June 2022, Nitin Gadkari, Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways, inaugurated and laid the foundation stone for nine national highways projects worth INR 1,357 crore in Rajasthan which will boost connectivity and ease traveling in the region.

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West Bengal

West Bengal govt to establish electrical and electronic industrial park

West Bengal government, in collaboration with Indian Electrical & Electronics Manufacturers Association, will be setting up a dedicated electrical and electronic industrial park in the state. The park, which will focus on renewable energy, is likely to open up huge investment opportunities.

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West Bengal schools to execute evaluation session to assess academic progress of students in last two years

With schools having reopened campuses after extended summer vacation, the West Bengal Board of Primary Education has issued a set of guidelines, asking state-run and aided institutes to carry out an evaluation session to assess the academic progress of students in the past two years of online learning, amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Bihar

Bihar govt to establish locality for landless people

The Bihar government has decided to establish a locality for landless people in the state, called 'Nitish-Modi Nagar'. The announcement was made by State Land Reforms and Revenue Minister Ram Surat Rai, on 30 June 2022.

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Bihar: 'Complete registration of all temples and mutts by July 15'

The state law department has asked all the district magistrates (DMs) to ensure the registration of all temples and mutts by July 15 this year, failing which the state government would initiate necessary administrative steps.

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Bihar woos Bengal industrialists for investments

The Bihar government has urged industrialists of West Bengal to make investments in that state, which has "changed gradually" into an investment-friendly place. Industrialists in Bihar are ready to partner with businesses, which can help them flourish, a minister said.

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Odisha

Odisha's Bhubaneswar to get India's biggest amusement park

The capital city of Odisha is to house the country's biggest amusement park with an investment of INR 115 crore. A pact in this regard has been signed between Bengaluru-headquartered amusement parks operator Wonderla Holidays and the Odisha government.

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Centre approves 87 EMRS for Odisha

The Centre has sanctioned 87 Ekalavya Model Residential Schools for Odisha, the highest for any state, said Union Minister of State for Tribal Affairs and Jal Shakti Bishweswar Tudu.

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North-East

Manipur CM launches Vision 2047

Manipur Chief Minister N Biren Singh has launched Manipur Vision 2047, a document that the government said would serve as a road map for the state's rapid and sustainable growth for the next 25 years.

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Arunachal Pradesh govt signs MoU for setting up oil palm manufacturing, processing unit

The Arunachal Pradesh government has inked an MoU with Ruchi Soya Industries, for setting up of oil palm manufacturing and processing unit at Niglok Industrial Growth Centre in East Siang district.

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Assam govt to set up quality evaluation laboratory and training centre for spices

Assam CM Himanta Biswa Sarma said the state government and the Spices Board would establish a Quality Evaluation Laboratory and Training Centre for spices at Guwahati for further developing the spices industry in the northeastern region.

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Arunachal Pradesh Cabinet amends APPSCCE Rules

On 29 June 2022, the Arunachal Pradesh Cabinet decided to amend the Arunachal Pradesh Public Service Combined Competitive Examination (APPSCCE) Rules. With this, the physical standards and physical efficiency tests for both males & females in the Arunachal Pradesh Police Services Rules have been amended to ensure maximum participation.

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Jharkhand

Jharkhand govt aims to complete 100,000 small irrigation, water harvesting schemes

The Jharkhand government said it plans to complete about one lakh small irrigation, water harvesting, and groundwater recharge schemes in the current financial year. The government said it has already completed over 1.4 lakh schemes in 2021-22.

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Jharkhand CM inaugurates state-of-the-art dairy plant at Sahibganj

On 29 June 2022, Jharkhand CM Hemant Soren inaugurated a state-of-the-art dairy plant at Sahibganj in Santhal Pargana. The facility has been constructed at a cost of INR 340 million.

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Multi-skill centre to come up at Jharkhand's West Singhbhum

Jharkhand's West Singhbhum administration has signed an agreement with the Tata Steel Foundation to build the first-ever multi-skill centre in the district. The centre will provide short-term training programs aimed at capacity building and creating opportunities for employment generation and entrepreneurship among the youth, predominantly from tribal communities, in the region.

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Kerala

Kerala govt extends KSUM benefits to non-IT startup sectors

The Kerala government has decided to extend the benefits enjoyed IT startups registered with the state-run Kerala Startup Mission (KSUM) to the non-IT startup sectors.

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Central University of Kerala starts free IAS coaching centre for Scheduled Caste students

The Central University of Kerala is starting a coaching centre to prepare students from Scheduled Caste communities for the civil services examination conducted by the UPSC. Dr Ambedkar Centre of Excellence (DACE), fully funded by the Union government, will be run from the university's campus in Periya in Kasaragod.

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