



# Regional Developments

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## Haryana

### Haryana govt to constitute committee for rationalization of Departmental Service Rules

The Haryana government has decided to constitute a high-power committee for rationalization of the organizational structure and modification of the Departmental Service Rules. It will examine the reports of each department submitted by the designated officers and give its recommendations for the final decision

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### Haryana govt extends COVID-19-induced lockdown till 12 July

The Haryana government has extended the ongoing coronavirus (COVID-19)-induced lockdown across the state till 12 July 2021. However, several relaxations in curbs have been announced across all districts.

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## Himachal Pradesh

### Centre pulls up Himachal Pradesh govt over flouting of COVID-19 protocols by tourists

On 6 July 2021, the Union ministry of health & family welfare wrote to the Himachal Pradesh government over the rampant flouting of coronavirus (COVID-19)-appropriate behaviour in Shimla and Manali.

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### Himachal Pradesh's Shimla police launch initiative to check crime against women

Himachal Pradesh's Shimla police have launched an initiative, named 'Veerangana on Wheels', to check crime against women in the city. As part of it, women cops will patrol the city on two-wheelers to help women in distress.

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### Himachal Pradesh govt transfers 85 officers in administrative reshuffle

Himachal Pradesh government in an administrative reshuffle transferred 85 officers including 11 IAS officers and 74 state cadre of Himachal Pradesh Administrative Service officers, with immediate effect on Wednesday.

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## Punjab

### Losses worth Rs. 20 bln suffered as toll plazas in Punjab, Haryana shut for 6-8 months

Nearly 50 toll plazas in Punjab and Haryana have been shut for six-eight months, in view of the ongoing farmers' protests against the three farm laws of the Centre. Following this, the central government has suffered losses worth Rs. 20 billion, so far.

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### PSPCL directs largescale industries in Punjab to shut down operations till 10 July

The Punjab State Power Corporation Limited (PSPCL) has directed largescale industries in the state to shut down operations till 10 July 2021. This has come in the wake of the power situation remaining grim in the state.

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## Gujarat

### Gujarat government gives in-principal nod to state's logistics policy

Gujarat government gave in-principal approval to its first Integrated Logistics and Logistics Park Policy 2021 that provides financial support to the entire logistic value chain in the state. The policy provides support to entire value chain of logistic parks and will also cover warehousing, cold storages, air-freight stations, jetties and ports.

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### Gujarat govt records 126% increase in IT collections in Q1 of FY22

The Gujarat government recorded an increase of 126 per cent in the income tax (IT) collections during the first quarter (Q1) of the financial year (FY) 2021-22, as compared to the corresponding period last year.

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### Gujarat govt's MBSY to benefit 800 orphaned children

The Gujarat government has decided to compensate around 800 children from the state who have been orphaned due to coronavirus (COVID-19), under the Mukhyamantri Bal Sahay Yojana (MBSY).

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## Maharashtra

### Maharashtra govt introduces 3 amendment Bills

On 6 July 2021, the Maharashtra government introduced as many as three amendment Bills in the state Assembly related to agriculture, cooperation and food & civil supplies.

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### Maharashtra Cabinet passes resolution seeking 30 mln vaccine doses per month from Centre

Maharashtra Cabinet passes resolution seeking 30 mln vaccine doses per month from Centre. The move has come with an aim to reduce the impact of a possible third wave of the viral infection.

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## Goa

### Restaurant owners urge Goa govt to roll back licence fee, excise rate hike

The All-Goa Bar and Restaurant Owners' Association has urged the Goa government to roll back the hike in licence fees and excise rates to help them recover losses incurred during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

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### Goa: 100% of eligible population will be fully-vaccinated by October-end, says CM Pramod Sawant

Chief minister Pramod Sawant said that the entire eligible population of the state would be administered both doses of Covid-19 vaccine by the end of October. He also said that the state is considering making the administration of the jab mandatory for those who haven't yet taken it.

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### Goa clears land procurement for double tracking Kulem-Margao railway line

The Goa Cabinet on Wednesday approved the procurement of land for double-tracking the Kulem-Margao railway line in cases where people had willingly given their No-Objection Certificate (NOC) for the procurement.

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## Madhya Pradesh

### Madhya Pradesh: 53 died of black fungus at Indore hospital in 56 days

At least 53 patients have died of black fungus infection in the last 56 days at a government-run hospital in Madhya Pradesh's Indore city. An analysis of this data has revealed that the mortality rate of black fungus patients at the hospital stands at 8%.

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### Madhya Pradesh govt relaxes COVID-19-induced night curfew timings

On 2 July 2021, the Madhya Pradesh government relaxed the coronavirus (COVID-19)-induced night curfew timings by an hour in urban areas of the state, with immediate effect.

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### Madhya Pradesh to check interstate transportation of agriculture produce

Madhya Pradesh has initiated the process of revoking the implementation orders issued following the passage last year of the Centre's three farm laws. Officials said this is being done since the Supreme Court stayed the implementation of the legislation in January.

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## Tamil Nadu

### Kanniyakumari-Nagapattinam highway in Tamil Nadu to become four-lane

The two-lane highway between Kanniyakumari and Nagapattinam in Tamil Nadu is set to be upgraded into a four-lane highway by the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI). The information was shared by collector K Senthil Raj on 6 July 2021.

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### Centre allocates 911,000 MT of foodgrains to Tamil Nadu, Puducherry

The Centre has allocated 820,000 metric tonnes (MT) of rice and 91,000 MT of wheat, worth Rs. 33.2 billion, to Tamil Nadu and Puducherry, under the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana.

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## Andhra Pradesh

### Theatres, multiplexes to reopen in Andhra Pradesh from 8 July

In the wake of the downtrend in coronavirus (COVID-19) cases, the Andhra Pradesh government has decided to allow cinema theatres and multiplexes to reopen from 8 July 2021.

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### Andhra Pradesh minister lays foundation for linking HNSS, GNSS water projects

On 4 July 2021, Andhra Pradesh panchayat raj minister laid the foundation stone for the linking of the Handri Neeva Sujala Sravanthi (HNSS) and Galeru Nagari Sujala Sravanthi (GNSS) water projects at Nayanicheruvu tank in Tamballapalle constituency.

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## Karnataka

### Karnataka govt extends 1% reservation for transgenders in govt jobs

The Karnataka government has extended one per cent reservation for transgenders in all services or posts in every category of employment in the state. A notification in this regard was issued by the state government on 6 July 2021.

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### Karnataka govt to develop 46 Kempegowda heritage sites

The Karnataka government has decided to develop as many as 46 Kempegowda heritage sites located in five districts of the state. These include Bengaluru Urban, Bengaluru Rural, Ramanagara, Chikballapura and Tumakuru.

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### RGHC to use geotagging for monitoring construction activities in Bengaluru, Karnataka

The Rajiv Gandhi Housing Corporation (RGHC), a nodal agency for the construction of affordable houses, has come up with a mobile application and control room to monitor all its project works in Bengaluru, Karnataka.

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## Telangana

### Telangana govt sets aside Rs. 3.1 bln for boosting healthcare facilities

The Telangana government has earmarked a total of Rs. 3.1 billion for boosting healthcare facilities in the state. The move has come with an aim to equip the medical infrastructure in government hospitals ahead of a possible third wave of COVID-19.

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### Telangana govt to raise water-sharing issue with Andhra Pradesh in Parliament

On 6 July 2021, the Telangana government held a high-level meeting with irrigation officials over water-sharing disputes with Andhra Pradesh. The state government has decided to raise the issue on all platforms, including the Parliament, Krishna River Management Board, central water agencies and tribunals.

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### Cotton, paddy, red gram sown in Telangana due to abundant monsoons

In the wake of the abundant monsoon rains and comfortable water levels in various irrigation projects, farmers in Telangana have sown cotton in over 1.5 million hectares, as against 728,434.2 hectares last year.

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## Delhi

### Delhi CM launches Mukhyamantri COVID-19 Pariwar Aarthik Sahayata Yojana

On 6 July 2021, Delhi Chief Minister (CM) Arvind Kejriwal launched the 'Mukhyamantri COVID-19 Pariwar Aarthik Sahayata Yojana' for families affected by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Under the social security scheme, an ex-gratia of Rs. 50,000 would be provided to beneficiaries for each death in their family

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### Delhi govt collects GST worth Rs. 52.8 bln in Q1

The Delhi government has collected Rs. 52.8 billion as GST in the first quarter (Q1) of the ongoing financial year. This has come as a sign of revival of the national capital's economy, in view of increased commercial and trade activities, after the coronavirus (COVID-19)-induced lockdown was relaxed.

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## Uttar Pradesh

### Uttar Pradesh govt permits 'Kanwar Yatra' from 25 July

The Uttar Pradesh government has allowed the 'Kanwar Yatra' in the state from 25 July 2021. The information was shared by state additional chief secretary Navneet Sehgal, who further said that detailed guidelines regarding the event will be issued soon.

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### Increase in revenue recorded in Uttar Pradesh in Q1 of FY22

The Uttar Pradesh government has recorded an increase in its revenue recovery, with a tax collection of Rs. 301.5 billion in the first quarter (Q1) of the financial year (FY) 2021-22. The information was shared by state finance minister Suresh Khanna on 5 July 2021.

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## Rajasthan

### Rajasthan govt closes coronavirus inoculation centres due to vaccine shortage

The Rajasthan government has closed various coronavirus (COVID-19) inoculation centres across the state, in view of the shortage of vaccines. Several districts in the state are struggling with vaccine scarcity.

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### RERA appoints third party to finish Hyde Park project in Rajasthan

The Real Estate Regulatory Authority (RERA), Rajasthan, has designated a third party to complete the 'Hyde Park' project in Durgapura. The decision of revoking the registration of the promoter was taken based on a petition filed by the Hyde Park Flat Owners Association (HPFOA).

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### Stamp duty relaxation extended for buyers in Rajasthan till 30 September

Considering the demands of developers, the Rajasthan state government has decided to extend relaxation on stamp duty for three months till September 2021. Though the Confederation of Real Estate Developers' Associations of India (CREDAI) had written to the finance department to extend relaxation on stamp duty till March 2022, the department provided relief till September 2021.

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## West Bengal

### West Bengal Assembly passes resolution for creation of LC

On 6 July 2021, the West Bengal Assembly passed a resolution seeking the creation of a Legislative Council (LC) in the state, under Article 169 of the Constitution of India.

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### West Bengal govt launches 'COVID-19 vaccination on boat' initiative in Sundarbans

On 5 July 2021, the West Bengal government launched the 'coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccination on boat' initiative in Sundarbans. For the purpose, a boat has been sent to the Kumirmari island, which would be stationed there for five days.

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### West Bengal govt to take up austerity measures amid COVID-19 pandemic

On. In an effort to control expenditure amidst the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the West Bengal government has decided to take up austerity measures in the interest of citizens. These would include strict economic policies aimed at controlling the growing public debt.

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## Bihar

### Bihar CM to resume Janata Darbar programme from 12 July

Bihar Chief Minister (CM) Nitish Kumar has decided to resume the 'Janata Ke Darbar Mein Mukhyamantri' programme after a five-year break, from 12 July 2021. The information was shared by state chief secretary Tripurari Sharan Singh on 6 July 2021.

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### Bihar CM issues guidelines for Unlock phase-IV

Bihar Chief Minister (CM) Nitish Kumar has issued guidelines for Unlock phase-IV, in view of the falling number of coronavirus (COVID-19) positive patients. As part of the new norms, all government and non-government offices have been allowed to operate normally.

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## Odisha

### Odisha govt likely to receive Rs. 3.7 bln under Centre's special assistance scheme

The Odisha government is likely to receive Rs. 3.7 billion under the Centre's special assistance scheme for the 2021-22 financial year. The amount is meant for capital expenditure, including investment in infrastructure, to boost economic growth.

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### Odisha CM urges PM to open Aawaas+ window for entire state for 1 month

Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik has urged Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi to open the window of Aawaas+ mobile application for the entire state for a month, to migrate the data of identified households for achieving the objective of 'safe housing for all'.

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## North-East

### IR completes trial run of passenger train between Assam & Manipur

The Indian Railways (IR) has successfully completed the trial run of a passenger train from Silchar in Assam to Vangaichungpao in Manipur.

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### Assam govt imposes total COVID-19-induced lockdown in 7 districts

In the wake of the surge in coronavirus (COVID-19) cases, the Assam government has imposed a total lockdown in seven districts, including Goalpara, Golaghat, Jorhat, Lakhimpur, Sonitpur, Biswanath and Morigaon.

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### Assam govt to bring reforms in police dept

The Assam government is set to bring reforms in the state police department, particularly at the police station level. The information was shared by state Chief Minister (CM) Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma, while addressing a conference of officer-in-charge (OCs) of police stations across the state, on 5 July 2021.

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