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Andhra Pradesh

4 new medical colleges to come up in Andhra Pradesh's Godavari region

Andhra Pradesh's Godavari region is set to get four new medical colleges. The new colleges will come up in Rajamahendravaram, Eluru, Amalapuram and Palakol. The state government has allocated nearly INR520 crore for the medical college in Eluru and INR470 crore for the one in Rajamahendravaram.

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AP govt to develop horticulture & agri universities on par with IITs, NITs

The state government has decided to develop horticulture and agriculture universities on par with the Indian Institutes of Technology (IIT) and National Institutes of Technology (NIT).

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Andhra Pradesh minister inaugurates biofertiliser & organic fertiliser quality control laboratory

Andhra Pradesh agriculture minister Kakani Govardhan Reddy urged farmers to use highquality biofertilisers to improve yields in a sustainable environment. He has also inaugurated the biofertiliser and organic fertiliser quality control laboratory worth INR2.5 crore.

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Andhra Pradesh CM sanctions INR460 crore for developmental projects

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister (CM) YS Jaganmohan Reddy sanctioned an amount to the tune of INR460 crore for various developmental projects.

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Bihar

Bihar to get 454-km four-lane highway

Bihar is set to get a new 454-km four-lane highway from Valmiki Nagar to Hariharganj. As part of the project, the national highway (NH)-98 from Naubatpur to Hariharganj in Patna will be converted into a four-lane.

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Efforts intensify to acquire land for Danapur-Bihta elevated road after NHAI's reminder

The land acquisition has been fasten after the National Highways Authority of India's (NHAI's) reminder. Ashoka Buildcom has sought encroachment free land to start ground work.

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Chhattisgarh

Chhattisgarh CM unveils zero waste water treatment plant

Chhattisgarh Chief Minister (CM) Bhupesh Baghel has inaugurated the state's first zero waste, state-of-the-art water treatment plant at Bhatagaon. The INR15.86 crore plant has a capacity of 80 million litre per day (MLD).

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Chhattisgarh CM lays foundation for Jal Avardhan Yojana in Mana Camp

Chhattisgarh Chief Minister (CM) Bhupesh Baghel laid the foundation stone for the Jal Avardhan Yojana at Mana Camp in Raipur. The water augmentation scheme is estimated to cost INR44.5 crore and will be completed in 27 months.

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Gujarat

Gujarat govt launches design for Hydrogen Valley Project

The Gujarat government has launched design for the Hydrogen Valley Project in the state. The project will promote research on novel hydrogen technologies while building capacity & capability for its production, distribution and use cases in a timely & cost-effective manner.

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Gujarat clears 199 thousand hectare of land for green hydrogen projects

The Gujarat cabinet approved the draft land allocation policy for green hydrogen projects in the state. The state granted in-principal approval for allocation of a total of 199 thousand hectares of land at the rate of INR15,000 per hectare on a 40-year lease basis to five green hydrogen projects.

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Gujarat govt to develop 3,533-km Parikrama Path

The Gujarat government has planned the Parikrama Path, a seamless peripheral road project running all along its borders with other states and its coastline. The 3,533-km project will fill in missing linkages between national and state highways along the state's borders.

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Gujarat govt to take up 80 projects across 4 cities

The Gujarat government has decided to take up 80 projects under the Suvarna Jayanti Mukhyamantri Shaheri Vikas Yojana. The aim is to provide infrastructure facilities in outgrowth areas of four cities, namely Vadodara, Bhavnagar, Jamnagar and Amreli.

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Himachal Pradesh

Himachal Pradesh govt to provide world-class facilities in medical colleges

The Himachal Pradesh government is working towards providing world-class facilities in medical colleges of Shimla, Tanda, Nerchowk and Hamirpur. The information was shared by Chief Minister (CM) Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu.

Himachal Pradesh govt to set up heliports for boosting air connectivity

The Himachal Pradesh government has decided to set up heliports at Rampur, Baddi, Mandi and Manali, among other places. The move aims to strengthen air connectivity in the state, thereby giving a boost to tourism development.

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Various activities being taken up under HP-SHIVA Project in Himachal Pradesh

The Himachal Pradesh government is undertaking various activities under the Himachal Pradesh Subtropical Horticulture, Irrigation and Value Addition (HP-SHIVA) Project. In the first phase, about 6.5 million high-quality plants of various fruit are proposed to be planted in an area of 4,000 hectares.

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MoU signed to develop NRES in Himachal Pradesh

The Himachal Pradesh government has signed an MoU with Oil India Limited (OIL) to establish a framework for cooperation in harnessing and developing new & renewable energy sources (NRES) in the state.

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Karnataka

Namma Metro spends INR1754 crore on acquiring properties to widen roads

Namma Metro has spent a staggering INR1,754 crore on acquiring properties to widen roads to provide the right of way (RoW) for constructing metro lines and stations, according to officials. Phase II cost Namma Metro significantly, with INR1,483 crore spent on road widening alone.

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Flight services at Shivamogga airport to begin soon

Flight services will soon commence at Shivamogga airport, said Shivamogga Lok Sabha member B.Y. Raghavendra. The Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi inaugurated the airport.

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Karnataka

Lufthansa to expand India operations; plans to start Munich-Bengaluru flights

The new flights on the Munich-Bengaluru route will be operational three times a week. The flights from Frankfurt-Hyderabad will commence operations in winter. The airline will deploy the A350-900 aircraft on the Munich-Bengaluru route.

Madhya Pradesh

MPTB to set up homestays, restaurants in Maheshwar

The Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board plans to set up homestays, restaurants and cafeterias which will be run by local community in the Khariya and Keriakhedi villages in Maheshwar. The development is part of MPTB's plan to develop textile tourism in Maheshwar.

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PM inaugurates railway projects worth INR2300 crore in Madhya Pradesh

Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi unveiled various projects in Madhya Pradesh's Rewa today. He flagged off three new trains and inaugurated railway projects worth more than INR2,300 crore.

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Maharashtra govt signs MoU with British Council to strengthen educational & cultural exchange

The Maharashtra government has signed an MoU with the British Council to strengthen educational and cultural exchange to promote the state's aspirations for knowledge and economic development.

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Madhya Pradesh's Sanchi set to become India's first solar city

Sanchi town in Madhya Pradesh's Raisen district is set to become India's first solar city. Various works to transform Sanchi into a solar city will be completed.

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Madhya Pradesh CoM takes slew of decisions

Madhya Pradesh Council of Ministers (CoM) decided to increase the damaged crop compensation by amending Revenue Book Circular (RBC) 6(4). The CoM further approved proposals for revised administrative approval for two irrigation projects in Panna district and to set up 45 new 'Rasoi Kendras' in the state.

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Maharashtra

Maharashtra govt to set up 500 village skilling centres

The Maharashtra government is in the process of setting up 500 village skilling centres. The information was shared by state skill development minister Mangalprabhat Lodha.

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Maharashtra, Mauritius sign MoU to create platform for enabling investments

The Maharashtra and Mauritius governments have signed an MoU to create a single platform for enabling investments. The agreement would help encourage trade and capacity-building between industries of both countries, reported The Times of India.

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Manoj Saunik appointed as Maharashtra's chief secretary

Manoj Saunik has been appointed as the new chief secretary of Maharashtra. He will continue to hold charge of the state finance department as well. He will take charge from his predecessor Manu Kumar Srivastava (from the 1986 batch).

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BMC invites tenders worth INR125 crore to resurface roads

Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) invited tenders worth INR125 crore to resurface roads, which may have developed potholes, before the monsoon. This is despite starting work related to the concretisation of roads worth INR8,000 crore and claiming Mumbai will be pothole-free within two years.

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New cargo terminal at Pune International Airport to be operational by May-end

The new cargo terminal at Pune International Airport is likely to be operational by the end of May. At present, 95 per cent of the construction completed has been completed. The new terminal will have a freight capacity to handle 36,000 tonnes of cargo.

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Maharashtra's Nashik to receive investments worth INR7,770 crore: Uday Samant

Maharashtra's Nashik is expected to receive investments worth INR7,770 crore. The information was shared by state industries minister Uday Samant. As part of this, the Reliance Lifesciences Limited has decided to invest INR4,200 crore in Dindori, while another pharma major will invest about INR1,200 crore.

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North East

6 ICTC vans flagged off in Manipur

Manipur Chief Minister (CM) N Biren Singh flagged six mobile integrated counseling & testing centre (ICTC) vans. The vehicles will start their operations in Imphal East, Imphal West, Bishnupur, Thoubal, Churachandpur and Senapati.

IR building 3 strategic railway lines in north-eastern states

Indian Railways (IR) is building three railway lines in the north-eastern states. The three railway projects are 200 km broad gauge line between Bhalukpong to Tawang (Arunachal Pradesh), 87 km line between Silapathar (Assam) to Along via Bame (Arunachal Pradesh), and a 217 km line between Rupai (Assam) to Pasighat (Arunachal Pradesh).

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Tripartite pact signed between Centre, Assam govt and DNLA/DPSC

Tripartite Memorandum of Settlement was signed between the Centre, Assam government and representatives of Dimasa National Liberation Army/Dimasa Peoples' Supreme Council (DNLA/DPSC).

3 projects recommended under NESIDS in Assam

The Union Ministry of Development of the North Eastern Region (DoNER) has recommended as many as three projects in Assam under the North East Special Infrastructure Development Schemes (NESIDS).

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Centre develops 61.8-km section of NH-6 connecting Jorabat-Shillong in Meghalaya

The Centre has developed a 61.8-km-long section of national highway (NH)-6 with four lanes, connecting Jorabat and Shillong in Meghalaya. The information was shared by Union road transport and highways minister Nitin Gadkari.

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Tripura govt plans to establish multi-specialty AYUSH hospital

Tripura Chief Minister (CM) Manik Saha stressed setting up world-class yoga and ayurveda schools. The state government is also planning to establish a border multi-specialty ayurveda, yoga & naturopathy, unani, siddha and homeopathy (AYUSH) Hospital in the state. Read more

STI hubs to be established in Mizoram

Science, technology and innovation (STI) hubs will be established in Aizawl & Serchip districts of Mizoram, reported Economic Times . The exercise will be taken up the Mizoram University and Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham.

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Odisha

Odisha govt approves 15 key proposals including building of 866 new bridges

The Odisha government approved 15 key proposals including construction of 866 new bridges under Biju Setu Yojana during the State Cabinet meeting chaired by the state chief minister (CM) Naveen Patnaik.

Vande Bharat Express train service to be launched in Odisha in May

The Vande Bharat Express train service is expected to be launched in Odisha in May 2023. The superfast high-end express train will start from Puri and run up to Howrah via Bhubaneswar.

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Odisha CM launches phase-III of 5T school transformation initiative

Odisha Chief Minister (CM) Naveen Patnaik launched the third phase of the 5T school transformation initiative. Under this phase, as many as 357 schools have been developed across four districts.

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Odisha govt urges Centre to run Vande Bharat Express trains in state

The Odisha government has urged the Centre to run Vande Bharat Express trains on at least three routes in the state. The state is yet to be connected with the semi high-speed train.

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Rajasthan

Rajasthan gets 3 new wildlife conservation reserves

The Rajasthan forest department has announced three new conservation reserves that will protect rare and endangered wildlife species in the state. These include Sorsan in Baran, Khichan in Jodhpur and Hamirgarh in Bhilwara.

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Rajasthan govt to set up 8 hostels & 1 residential school for students from tribal areas

The Rajasthan government has decided to set up as many as eight new hostels and one residential school for students from tribal areas of the state. Hostels will come up at Kasbathana, Deori, Bhanwargarh & Shahbad in Baran district, Dungarpur's Gada Moriya and in Kurabad in Udaipur, among others.

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Kerala

PM inaugurates projects worth INR32,000 crore in Kerala

Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi inaugurated projects worth INR32,000 crore in Kerala today. As part of this, he flagged off the state's first Vande Bharat Express. The train will cover 11 districts, namely Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Kottayam, Ernakulam, Thrissur, Palakkad and Pathanamthitta, among others.

Kerala govt to announce its first export policy within 2 months

The Kerala government will be announcing its first export policy within the next two months. The information was shared by state industries minister P Rajeeve. The state government will also form a state-level export promotion council to promote exports, he added.

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Kerala to be transformed into healthcare hub

The Kerala government is planning to transform the state into a healthcare hub by providing better medical services and tourism opportunities in the sector. A sum of INR30 crore has been set aside for developing and implementing the care policy.

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23 sewer projects to be launched in Kerala's Thiruvananthapuram

Kerala's Thiruvananthapuram administration is planning to enhance the city's sewer network by undertaking a total of 23 sewer projects. These projects will be taken up under the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) 2.0 scheme at a cost of INR100 crore.

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PM inaugurates Thiruvananthapuram-Kannaur Vande Bharat Express Train in Kerala

The Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi has inaugurated the Vande Bharat Express Train in Kerala which will run between Thiruvananthapuram and Kannaur railway stations. This Vande Bharat Express is expected to travel approximately 501 kilometres, covering 11 districts of Kerala.

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Varkala Sivagiri railway station to be redeveloped at INR170 crore

The Varkala Sivagiri railway station will be redeveloped at an estimated cost of INR170 crore. The Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi laid the foundation stones for the redevelopment of Kerala's Varkala Sivagiri railway station.

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Telangana

Telangana govt sets up 3 hubs to encourage EV manufacturing

The Telangana government is setting up three hubs to encourage the manufacturing of electric vehicles (EVs). The hubs will come up at Divitipally in Mahbubnagar district, Yenkathala in Vikarabad district and Zaheerabad in Sangareddy district.

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TSRTC to appoint 2,000 village bus officers in Telangana

The Telangana State Road Transport Corporation (TSRTC) has launched a programme aimed at taking the public transport system closer to citizens and increase occupancy.

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Telangana govt approves INR82.23 crore for 4 STPs

Telangana government approved a sum of INR82.23 crore for the construction of four sewerage treatment plants (STP). Each plant will have a capacity of 20 million litres per day.

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Tamil Nadu

Centre plans to make Tamil Nadu's Chennai hub for cruise tourism

The Centre has planned to make Tamil Nadu's Chennai the hub for cruise tourism on the east coast. The information was shared by Union minister for ports, shipping and waterways Sarbananda Sonowal.

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Centre sanctions 11 new nursing colleges for Tamil Nadu

The Centre has sanctioned as many as 11 new nursing colleges for Tamil Nadu. The information was shared by state health minister Ma Subramanian.

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Tamil Nadu ministers lay foundation for 4 new hospital buildings

Tamil Nadu revenue minister KKSSR Ramachandran and health minister Ma Subramanian laid foundation stones for as many as four new hospital buildings.

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Tamil Nadu CM inaugurates modern paddy storage facilities

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister (CM) MK Stalin inaugurated modern paddy storage facilities with structural roofing in various parts of the state. These facilities have been constructed at a total cost of INR95.03 crore.

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Union Territories

Delhi CM inaugurates 180 new websites of 50 depts

Delhi Chief Minister (CM) Arvind Kejriwal inaugurated as many as 180 new websites of 50 departments. He stressed on using artificial intelligence (AI) to make services more accessible to citizens.

J&K admin to implement 29 projects to transform UT's agricultural economy

The Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) administration is implementing 29 major projects that will transform the agricultural economy of the union territory (UT), said J&K additional chief secretary, agriculture production department, Atal Dulloo.

Foundation stone laid for Kashmir Medical College & Super-Speciality Hospital

Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) Lieutenant Governor (LG) Manoj Sinha has laid the foundation stone of Kashmir Medical College & Super-Speciality Hospital. The college is with 150 MBBS seats, while the 100-bedded hospital will provide world-class healthcare services.

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Uttar Pradesh

Uttar Pradesh govt to implement new township policy

The Uttar Pradesh government will soon implement a new township policy to solve issues related to housing and urbanisation. As per sources, landowners belonging to Scheduled Castes (SC) will receive a better deal to ensure their long-term financial stability.

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INR450 crore approved for upgradation of 93 industrial areas in Uttar Pradesh

The Uttar Pradesh State Industrial Development Authority (UPSIDA) has allocated INR450 crore for the upgradation of 93 industrial areas across 46 districts. The west region of the state will receive the maximum upgrading with a total of INR200 crore, followed by the central region with INR150 crore.

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Registration of EVs in Uttar Pradesh records 144 per cent growth in 2022

The registration of electric vehicles (EVs) in Uttar Pradesh recorded 144 per cent growth in 2022. The share of three-wheeler EVs stood at 60,119 in 2021, which increased to 138,671 in 2022.

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