



# Regional Developments

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## Andhra Pradesh

### Andhra Pradesh's Anakapalle set to get Central University

A Central University is set to come up in Anakapalle at a cost of INR28.74 crore. Approx. INR10.9 crore has been sanctioned for university buildings, INR5 crore for basic infrastructure, INR4.75 crore for sports complex, INR3 crore for staff quarters, INR1.9 crore for compound wall and INR 500,000 for canteen.

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### Andhra Pradesh Assembly passes 9 Bills

The State Cabinet decision to relocate the Bulk Drug Park (BDP) proposed at Kakinada Special Economic Zone (KSEZ) to Nakkapalli will make Visakhapatnam another bulk drug hub in Andhra Pradesh like Hyderabad.

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### Andhra Pradesh govt plans to develop 288 beaches as tourist destinations

AP Assembly passed as many as nine Bills. These include the AP Assigned Lands (Prohibition of Transfers) Bill; Private Universities (Establishment & Regulation) Bill; AP Charitable & Hindu Religious Institutions & Endowments Bill; and AP Public Service Commission Bill, among others.

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### 8 new Kendriya Vidyalayas to come up in Andhra Pradesh

Eight new Kendriya Vidyalayas (KV) are set to come up in Andhra Pradesh. These schools be set up in Anakapalle, Chittoor, Guntur, Krishna, Eluru, Nandyal and Sri Satya Sai districts. This has come as part of the Centre's decision to establish 87 new KVs across the country.

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## Bihar

### Bihar govt approves launch of 'Mukhyamantri Alpsankhyak Udyami Yojana'

Bihar government announced the launch of the 'Mukhyamantri Alpsankhyak Udyami Yojana' for unemployed youths from the minority community. The decision was taken at a state Cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Nitish Kumar.

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### Bihar govt to provide free treatment to patients at IGIMS

The Bihar government has decided to provide free of cost treatment to patients at the Indira Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences (IGIMS), Patna.

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## Chhattisgarh

### Chhattisgarh CM inaugurates, lays foundation for 7,300 projects

Chhattisgarh Chief Minister (CM) Bhupesh Baghel inaugurated 3,978 developmental projects and laid foundation stones for 3,322 others across 26 districts of the state. The total cost of these projects has been pegged at INR6080 crore.

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### Chhattisgarh CM lays foundation for 118 development works worth INR250 crore in Sukma

Chhattisgarh Chief Minister (CM) Bhupesh Baghel laid foundation stones for 118 development works worth INR250 crore in Sukma. He further inaugurated 19 projects completed at a cost of INR19.18 crore.

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### Chhattisgarh CM, LoP releases installment under 2 schemes

Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel and Leader of Opposition in Rajya Sabha Mallikarjun Kharge released the instalment under NYAY schemes, and labour schemes were distributed to farmers and workers.

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## Gujarat

### Gujarat govt signs 3 MoUs with Anupam Rasayan

The Gujarat government has signed 3 MoUs with the homegrown custom synthesis & specialty chemicals player, Anupam Rasayan. As part of the pact, afforestation will be implemented by the company over 50 hectare land parcel each in Tapi, Narmada and Surat.

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### Gujarat Governor gives nod to Public Universities Bill

Gujarat Governor Acharya Devvrat approved the Gujarat Public Universities Bill. It was passed by the state Assembly. The state government will soon start work on setting up the rules framework so that the legislation can be enforced from the next academic year.

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### Gujarat govt yet to implement Kisan Suryoday Yojana in 9 districts

The Gujarat government is yet to implement the Kisan Suryoday Yojana in nine districts of the state. These include seven Bhavnagar, Botad, Rajkot, Devbhumi Dwarka, Jamnagar, Morbi, Porbandar, Kutch and Dang. The scheme, aims to provide electricity to farmers for irrigation during the daytime instead of at night.

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## Haryana

### Haryana CM lays foundation for medical college in Yamunanagar

Haryana Chief Minister (CM) Manohar Lal Khattar laid the foundation stone for Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Government Medical College at Panjupur village in Yamunanagar. The cost of the project has been pegged at INR1200 crore.

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### Haryana's Gurugram admin bans production, sale, storage of firecrackers

Haryana's Gurugram administration issued an order imposing a ban on the production, sale and storage of all types of firecrackers, except green firecrackers. The order will be effective from 1 November 2023 to 31 January 2024.

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## Himachal Pradesh

### Himachal Pradesh minister launches Tele MANAS service

Himachal Pradesh health minister Dhani Ram Shandil launched the 'Tele MANAS' service. The comprehensive mental health care service aims to provide people with universal access to equitable, affordable and accessible mental health care online.

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### Cipla launches drone-powered critical medicine delivery in Himachal Pradesh

Cipla has partnered with Skye Air Mobility to launch drone-powered deliveries of critical medicines for hospitals and pharmacies in Himachal Pradesh. As part of the initiative, Cipla aims to deliver drugs for cardiac, respiratory, and other essential chronic therapies.

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## Jharkhand

### Centre, Jharkhand to soon agree in the revival of Dhalbhumgarh airport

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## Kerala

### Kerala's Kochi to come under surveillance of 300 CCTV cameras

Kerala's Kochi is set to come under the surveillance of 300 CCTV cameras. The Kochi Corporation Council has approved the proposal for installing new camera units. The corporation will hand over 150 cameras to the city police and the remaining will be installed in areas identified by the Health Standing Committee.

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### Kerala CM launches seven mega projects at Cochin International Airport

The chief minister launched the operation of the Import Cargo Terminal, DigiYatra software and Airport Emergency Services at the international airport at an event held at CIAL.

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### CM inaugurates six-floor cancer specialty block at General Hospital in Kochi

The new cancer block has an ICU, a chemotherapy unit, separate wards for men and women, dormitory among other facilities. The CM also mentioned the union government's Arogya Manthan Award 2023, received by the state health department for extending the highest number of treatments under the 'Karunya Arogya Suraksha Padhathi' (KASP).

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## Karnataka

### Karnataka govt to sanction 3 KPS in each Assembly constituency

Kannada and farmer groups have called a Karnataka Bandh over the Karnataka-Tamil Nadu Cauvery river water dispute. Due to this, normal life has been thrown out of gear in Mysuru and surrounding districts. The Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) has withdrawn services in the city.

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### Farmer groups call Karnataka Bandh over Cauvery river dispute

The Karnataka government is planning to set up a 500 MW solar park in Aurad taluka of Bidar district. It will be established by the Karnataka Renewable Energy Development Limited (KREDL). The move aims to harness more renewable energy in the upcoming days.

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### Karnataka govt benefits from World Bank aid related to potable water supply

The Karnataka government has benefited from the World Bank assistance in providing potable water supply to rural areas. This has come at a time when the state government is balancing funds for its poll promises on one side and development on the other. The loan would be used by the state government to pay for its portion of the Jal Jeevan Mission.

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## Madhya Pradesh

### Tender floated for 300-bed civil hospital in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh

Public Works Department (PWD), Madhya Pradesh has floated a tender for the construction work of 300-bed civil hospital building at Sultania, Part-B in Bhopal. The development of the existing Sultania hospital into a civil hospital will also include allied works and services. The value of the contract is INR47.96 crore.

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### Madhya Pradesh CM Chouhan flags off trial run of Indore Metro train

Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan flagged off the trial run of the Indore Metro train at Gandhi Nagar area. The Chief Minister also announced the extension of the metro train service up to Pithampur and Ujjain.

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## Maharashtra

### Maharashtra CM launches Shetkari Samvad Yatra at Tembhi Naka, Thane

Maharashtra Chief Minister (CM) Eknath Shinde launched the Shiv Sena-led Shetkari Sena's Shetkari Samvad Yatra at Tembhi Naka, Thane. The yatra aims to establish direct communication with farmers, understand their challenges and provide immediate solutions.

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### MSEB Agro Solar Power floats 9 tenders to procure 1.9 GW of solar power

The Maharashtra State Electricity Board (MSEB) Agro Solar Power has floated nine tenders to procure 1.9 GW of solar power under the Mukhyamantri Saur Krushi Vahini Yojana in Maharashtra.

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## Odisha

### Odisha govt sanctions INR1550 crore for infrastructure development

Odisha government has approved INR1550 crore under the Special Problem Fund (SPF) for the construction of crucial infrastructure. Out of the total 12,233 projects, 10,415 are general in nature and 1,818 projects are educational.

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### Odisha govt urged to open more Ayurvedic and Homeopathic hospitals

All Odisha Ayush Students' Association launched a demonstration near the state Assembly. They have demanded more Ayurvedic and Homeopathic hospitals and dispensaries.

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## North-East

### Centre approves road project worth INR300 crore in Arunchal Pradesh

The Centre has approved a road project worth INR300 crore aimed at linking the airport to the railway station in Arunachal Pradesh's Papum Pare district. The move is expected to benefit villagers living near the Assam-Arunachal Pradesh boundary.

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### Centre to provide INR200 crore to Meghalaya's KHADC for various projects

The Centre has decided to provide INR200 crore to the Khasi Hills Autonomous District Council (KHADC) in Meghalaya for various development projects. The funds are expected to be received prior to the state's Durga Puja holidays, said KHADC chief executive member Pyniaid Sing Syiem.

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### Lepcha Mun-Bongthing & Language Institute inaugurated at Naga-Namgor, Sikkim

Sikkim Chief Minister (CM) Prem Singh Tamang inaugurated the Lepcha Mun-Bongthing & Language Institute at Naga-Namgor. The institute's vision is to preserve and promote Lepcha culture and knowledge.

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### Assam govt plans to modernise state's inland waterways

The Assam government is planning to modernise the state's inland waterways at an estimated cost of INR700 crore. The information was shared by state Chief Minister (CM) Himanta Biswa Sarma.

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## Punjab

### Punjab govt to set up INR140 crore compressed bio-gas project in Hoshiarpur

The Punjab government has decided to set up a INR140 crore compressed bio-gas (CBG) project in Hoshiarpur. The aim is to boost affordable, clean and sustainable energy solutions. The project will be spearheaded by the Punjab Energy Development Agency (PEDA).

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### Punjab govt steps up facilities at all mandis for paddy procurement

The Punjab government has stepped up facilities at all mandis for the purpose of ensuring hassle-free procurement of paddy. It will create congenial conditions for more than 800,000 farmers expected to visit them.

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## Rajasthan

### Development projects inaugurated in Kota, Rajasthan

Rajasthan urban development and housing minister Shanti Dhariwal recently inaugurated development projects in Kota. These include two water filter plants of 50 and 70 million litres per day (MLD), multi-level parking worth INR3 crore, link road between Commerce College and Rajiv Gandhi Nagar, etc.

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### Rajasthan govt cuts development fees by 50 per cent in new renewable policy

The state government of Rajasthan in India has reduced development fees by 50 per cent for developers of renewable energy as part of its goal to generate 90 GW of renewable energy by 2030.

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## Tamil Nadu

### Tamil Nadu CM releases new tourism policy

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister (CM) MK Stalin released the Tamil Nadu Tourism Policy. The policy, which will be valid for a period of five years, aims to develop the state into the most attractive experiential destination in Asia with multi-pronged goals.

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### Tamil Nadu CM inaugurates 1,000 classrooms in 37 districts

Tamil Nadu CM MK Stalin inaugurated nearly 1,000 classrooms in 37 districts. The move will enhance educational facilities for students. These classrooms have been constructed under the Children Friendly School Infrastructure Development Scheme at a cost of INR150 crore.

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### Tamil Nadu govt introduces subsidy scheme for farmers to purchase agri machinery

The Tamil Nadu government has introduced a subsidy scheme for farmers under the Tamil Nadu Agricultural Mechanisation Scheme. The aim is to increase production, productivity and profitability in agriculture by achieving timeliness in farm operations.

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### MNRE issues bids for offshore wind power projects

The Union Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) has issued a tender for the construction of offshore wind projects in Tamil Nadu. The ministry has offered seven locations off the coast of Tamil Nadu with a total capacity of 7 GW.

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## Telangana

### Telangana govt signs pact with Sintex BAPL Limited

The Telangana government has signed a pact with the Sintex BAPL Limited to set up a manufacturing unit for water tanks and PVC pipes in the state. For this purpose, the firm will invest INR350 crore in the state over the next three years.

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### Lulu Group to invest INR350 crore in Telangana

The Lulu Group announced plans to invest around INR350 crore over the next three years in Telangana. The funds will be used to open a shopping mall, mini malls and agriculture sourcing and a logistics and processing hub focused solely on exports.

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### Foundation stone laid for 5 heritage bridges on Musi river in Telangana

Telangana municipal administration and urban development minister KT Rama Rao laid the foundation stone for the construction of five heritage bridges at various locations on Musi river.

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## Uttarakhand

### Uttarakhand govt signs MoU with Poma Group

The Uttarakhand government has signed an MoU worth INR2000 crore with global ropeway construction firm Poma Group. The latter will provide technical support for ropeway & establish a center of excellence in religious & tourist places including Haridwar.

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### Uttarakhand govt sanctions INR450 crore for repairing damaged roads

The Uttarakhand government has sanctioned a sum of INR450 crore for a drive to repair damaged roads across the state following heavy rains. To ensure that the repairs are finished by 30 November, all district magistrates have been instructed to undertake a special campaign.

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### Uttarakhand govt signs MoUs worth INR11,000 crore to boost tourism sector

The Uttarakhand government has signed MoUs worth INR11,000 crore with various companies to boost the state's tourism sector. Agreements worth INR8,000 crore are concerned with the development of skiing destinations and ropeway projects.

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## Uttar Pradesh

### Ayodhya airport to be ready with Ram temple in January 2024

The first commercial flight operation at the Maryada Purushottam Shri Ram Airport in Uttar Pradesh's Ayodhya will begin with the expected opening of the grand Ram temple in January 2024, according to officials.

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### Uttar Pradesh govt to set up 'tent city' in Prayagraj

The Uttar Pradesh government has decided to set up a 'tent city' spread over 25 hectares with a capacity of 2,000 luxury beds in Prayagraj. The aim is to make the 'Mahakumbh 2025' a historical event.

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### GDA once again revives Noida Electronic City-Sahibabad metro line proposal

The Ghaziabad Development Authority (GDA) is breathing new life into a long-dormant proposal of Noida Electronic City-Sahibabad line metro line with an aim to bridge the gap between the RapidX corridor in Ghaziabad and the metro's Blue and Red lines.

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### Uttar Pradesh PWD approves INR170 crore to fast-track various projects

The Uttar Pradesh public works department (PWD) has approved a budget of INR170 crore to fast-track various projects across the state. The amount will help accelerate the construction of railway overbridges, rural roads and a bypass in Sitapur.

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### Uttar Pradesh govt to launch FASTPAS

The Uttar Pradesh government is all set to launch the Fast and Simplified Trust-Based Plan Approval System (FASTPAS). It will allow builders to get approvals for maps and layouts of buildings & townships.

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### Uttar Pradesh govt to introduce EV services at tourist destinations

The Uttar Pradesh government has decided to introduce electric vehicle (EV) services at key tourist destinations across the state.

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### UP expected to make highest market borrowings in Q3 of 2023-24

According to the RBI indicative borrowing calendar, the Uttar Pradesh government has projected a market borrowing of INR31,500 crore in October-December 2023.

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## Union Territories

### G20 International Industries Research Park to be established at Sedarapet, Puducherry

A G20 International Industries Research Park is expected to be established at Sedarapet, Puducherry. The proposed park is aimed at bringing scholars, scientists, technocrats and entrepreneurs from G20, European Union & friendly nations under one roof.

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### Delhi govt to prepare winter pollution action plan for each hotspot

The Delhi government has decided to prepare an action plan to curb air pollution in the city during winters. This will be done on the basis of reports given by the departments concerned.

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### Delhi govt extends existing excise policy till 31 March 2024

The Delhi government and Lieutenant Governor (LG) VK Saxena have approved the extension of the existing excise policy for six months till 31 March 2024. The move aims to ensure the continuity of the supply of liquor in the national capital.

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### J&K admin identifies 75 items for export

The Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) administration has identified 75 items for potential exports under the District as Export Hub Scheme. From Bandipora, trout fish, honey, black cumin and crewel-based shawls have been selected.

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## West Bengal

### West Bengal: Stamp duty sops extended till June 30, 2024

The Bengal government has extended relief on stamp duty and registration fee for the sixth time. The extension will be up to June 30, 2024. The finance department had issued a circular on September 29 that considering the economic slowdown due to the pandemic.

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### Kolkata airport gets 4 EV charging points

Tata Power has installed four electric vehicle (EV) charging points at the Kolkata airport. The site selection for these charging stations underwent meticulous planning, prioritising convenience and accessibility for EV users who commute to the airport or nearby vicinity.

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