



# Regional Developments

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## Andhra Pradesh

### Andhra Pradesh govt approves drinking water grid project worth INR215 crore

Andhra Pradesh panchayat raj and rural development department sanctioned an amount of INR215 crore for the drinking water grid project under the Jal Jeevan Mission.

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### Three new ports to come up in Andhra Pradesh

Three new ports are set to come up in Andhra Pradesh (AP). The construction work of two ports has already begun, while the works of the third port is expected to begin soon.

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### Andhra Pradesh CM lays foundation for tech park in Visakhapatnam

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister (CM) YS Jaganmohan Reddy laid the foundation stone for the Vizag Tech Park in Visakhapatnam. The facility will be built by the Adani Group at a cost of INR21,840 crore.

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### AdaniConneX to build 200MW data center campus in Andhra Pradesh, India

Adani Group has announced that it is developing an over 200MW data center park in the Andhra Pradesh state, India. The campus will be located in the Madhurawada area of Vizag (Visakhapatnam), and is reported the first of three technology zones planned for the city.

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## Bihar

### Bihar CM lays foundation for infrastructure works worth INR400 crore

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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### Bihar CM flags off 23 ambulances for jail inmates

Bihar Chief Minister (CM) Nitish Kumar flagged off as many as 23 ambulances. The move aims to offer improved medical care to inmates housed in various jails around the state. In addition to holding life-saving medications, each ambulance is equipped with a stretcher, blood pressure monitor, pulse oximeter and oxygen cylinder.

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## Gujarat

### SJVN to set up 200 MW solar power project in Gujarat

State-owned Satluj Jal Vidyut Nigam (SJVN) has bagged an order to set up 200 MW solar power plant worth INR1200 crore from Gujarat Urja Vikas Nigam (GUVNL).

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### 2.50 lakh cotton bales from Australia to boost Gujarat's textile industry

The textile industry is experiencing a surge in demand for imported cotton as local arrivals have decreased. Indian spinners have placed orders for 2.50 lakh duty-free bales from Australia, and this consignment is expected to arrive in India within three months.

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## Himachal Pradesh

### 10 Rajiv Gandhi Day Boarding Schools to come up in Himachal Pradesh

Tenders for the construction of 10 Rajiv Gandhi Day Boarding Schools in Himachal Pradesh will be floated in June 2023. These schools will come up in Nadaun, Badsar, Palampur, Jaisinghpur, Shahpur, Jawali, Kinnaur and Haroli Assembly constituencies.

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### Himachal Pradesh minister inaugurates five-story DC's office building

Himachal Pradesh deputy chief minister Mukesh Agnihotri inaugurated the newly-constructed five-story deputy commissioner's (DC) office building and mini Secretariat in Una.

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## Karnataka

### Karnataka comes up as most innovative state in manufacturing sector

The National Manufacturing Innovation Survey (NMIS)-2021-22 has revealed that Karnataka is the most innovative state in the manufacturing sector. Besides this, it also has the highest number of companies in manufacturing that carry out innovations.

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### Karnataka ranks first in National Manufacturing Innovation Survey 2022

Karnataka has been ranked first in the National Manufacturing Innovation Survey (NMIS) 2022 with a score of 33.4. It has been followed by Telangana and Tamil Nadu. The survey also found that innovation in manufacturing is the lowest in the north-eastern states, excluding Assam.

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## Madhya Pradesh

### Madhya Pradesh govt plans to establish centre to study effectiveness of schemes

The Madhya Pradesh government is planning to establish a centre to study the effectiveness of schemes and programmes being implemented in the state.

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### Madhya Pradesh govt approves construction of 31 new roads in Guna block

The Madhya Pradesh government has approved the construction of as many as 31 new roads in the Guna block under the Bhamori Assembly segment. The information was shared by state panchayat minister Mahendra Singh Sisodiya.

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## Maharashtra

### Maharashtra govt to connect 3 cities to new highway

The Maharashtra government has drafted plans to connect Shirur, Karjat and Pune to a new highway. It will have a total length of approximately 110-km. The cost of the development has been pegged at INR10000 crore.

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### Maharashtra CM seeks push for solar energy projects

Maharashtra Chief Minister (CM) Eknath Shinde recently held a meeting with a delegation led by the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank director general Hun Kim, as per The Times of India.

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### Nashik government sets up 'plastic-to-fuel' plant in Pathardi

Nashik Municipal Corporation (NMC) has established a 'plastic-to-fuel' plant on its compost plant premises in Pathardi. The new plant has the capacity to convert plastic into five litres of fuel per day.

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### Maharashtra to get India's first AI university

Maharashtra is set to get India's first university that will impart degree & postgraduate specialised courses in artificial intelligence (AI) and future technologies.

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## North East

### Assam Cabinet approves INR610 crore for construction of Tinsukia Medical College & Hospital

Assam Cabinet approved INR610 crore for the construction of the Tinsukia Medical College and Hospital. Besides this, a policy has been approved for maintaining district teams throughout the year to promote districts as the fulcrum of administration.

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### Centre likely to set up water management authority for north-east

The central government will set up a body for water resource management of the north-eastern region following the Parliament's approval. It will work for holistic solutions to water-related problems of the region with coordination between the states and Centre.

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### Assam govt launches first flight on non-UDAN route

The first flight was launched on a non-UDAN route under the viability gap funding provision by the Assam government. The FlyBig airlines has started service on the Guwahati-Dibrugarh-Guwahati sector.

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### AGCL signs pact with OIL for establishment of joint venture company in Assam

Assam Gas Company Limited (AGCL) signed a pact with the Oil India Limited (OIL) for the establishment of a joint venture company. As part of this, the AGCL will have 51 per cent of the stake, while the OIL will have the remaining 49 per cent.

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### Tripura govt plans to establish homeopathic medical college

The Tripura government is planning to establish a homeopathic medical college in the state. The aim is to lay more emphasis on alternative medical practices that can supplement allopathic treatment.

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### Assam CM lays foundation stones for 46 projects in Karbi Anglong

Assam Chief Minister (CM) Himanta Biswa Sarma laid foundation stones for 46 projects worth around INR2500 crore in Karbi Anglong district. The road-related projects include the improvement & upgradation of a 75-km-long road connecting Hamren with Howraghat at a cost of INR920 crore.

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### 4 food streets to come up in Assam

The aim of this project is to encourage safe and healthy food practices among food businesses and community members. This will help reduce foodborne illnesses and improve overall health outcomes.

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## Odisha

### Foundation laid for Asia Centre for Community Media in Odisha

The foundation stone of the Asia Centre for Community Media was laid in Odisha's Konark. It will serve as a training centre with short-term courses, workshops and skill development programmes for media students, community media practitioners, researchers and journalists from Asian countries.

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### Odisha CM inaugurates 359 renovated high schools in 5 districts

Odisha Chief Minister (CM) Naveen Patnaik inaugurated as many as 359 renovated high schools as part of phase-II of the 5T School Transformation Programme. Out of the total, 124 schools have been unveiled in Bhadrak district, 77 in Kandhamal, 35 in Dhenkanal, 80 in Gajapati and 43 in Sonepur.

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### Odisha govt signs pact with UCT to leverage data for promoting innovation

The Odisha government has signed a five-year pact with the University of Chicago Trust (UCT) for the purpose of leveraging data for promoting innovation. This will also facilitate guidance in policy decisions.

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## Rajasthan

### Rajasthan govt to set up 3 new nursing colleges

The Rajasthan government has decided to set up three new nursing colleges in Ajmer, Chittorgarh and Nagaur districts. The cost of the development has been pegged at over INR 17 crore.

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### Rajasthan CM approves INR22.68 crore for various sports-related infrastructures

Rajasthan Chief Minister (CM) Ashok Gehlot approved a financial provision of INR22.68 crore for the construction of various sports-related infrastructures.

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### SJVN secures 100 MW solar power project

SJVN has secured a 100 MW state transmission utility (STU) connected solar power project worth INR600 crore from Rajasthan Urja Vikas Nigam (RUVNL). With this, the company now has 1,100 MW of solar power projects in Rajasthan.

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## Punjab

### Punjab govt to take up development projects worth INR2.27 crore in Patiala

The Punjab government has decided to take up development projects in Patiala at a cost of INR2.27 crore. The information was shared by state local government minister Dr. Inderbir Singh Nijjar.

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### 80 more Aam Aadmi Clinics opened in Punjab

Punjab Chief Minister (CM) Bhagwant Mann and his Delhi counterpart Arvind Kejriwal launched as many as 80 more Aam Aadmi Clinics in Punjab. With this, the state has got a total of 580 such clinics. These clinics have been equipped with state-of-the-art infrastructure and aim to provide world-class treatment & healthcare to people free of cost.

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### Punjab CM inaugurates plant of JSW Steel Coating Products Ltd in Rajpura

Punjab Chief Minister (CM) Bhagwant Mann inaugurated a plant of JSW Steel Coating Products Limited in Rajpura. The plant has been constructed at a cost of INR240 crore. It will provide employment to 600 youths.

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## Kerala

### Kerala CM inaugurates Perambra bypass

Kerala Chief Minister (CM) Pinarayi Vijayan recently inaugurated the Perambra bypass on Kozhikode-Kannur state highway-38. It will help reduce traffic congestion in the city. The 2.7-km bypass has been constructed by the Uralungal Labor Contract Cooperative Society under the supervision of Kerala Roads and Bridges Corporation.

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### Kerala minister launches 3 collaborative projects

Kerala higher education minister R Bindu launched three collaborative projects undertaken by the APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University (KTU). The pact has been signed with the local self-government department to produce 1,000 student projects.

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### Kerala minister launches institutional ranking framework

Kerala higher education minister R Bindu launched the Kerala Institutional Ranking Framework (KIRF). It would help in assessing the quality of higher education institutions in the state.

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## Telangana

### Telangana govt proposes 2 more pumped storage hydroelectric projects

The Telangana government has proposed two more off-stream closed-loop pumped storage hydroelectric projects (PSP) in Kumram Bheem-Asifabad and Nizamabad districts.

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### Telangana govt bags projects worth INR7210 crore in agri-food industry

Telangana government bagged projects worth INR7210 crore in various sectors at the maiden Food Conclave 2023. The sectors include food processing, aquaculture, edible oil and meat processing.

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### Telangana CM inaugurates new Secretariat building in Hyderabad

Telangana Chief Minister (CM) K Chandrashekar Rao inaugurated the new Secretariat building in Hyderabad.

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### Mancherial Government Medical College to come up in Telangana's Gudipet

The Telangana government has decided to set up the Mancherial Government Medical College on 13 hectares of land on the outskirts of Gudipet village. The medical college is presently being operated in temporary structures built at an agriculture market.

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### GCMMF plans to set up milk processing plant in Telangana

The Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation (GCMMF), the marketer of Amul has identified land at Vargal near Hyderabad to set up a milk processing unit with a capacity of 0.5 million litres per day (LLPD).

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### IT tower inaugurated at Divitipalli, Telangana

Telangana information technology (IT) KT Rama Rao inaugurated the IT tower at Divitipalli. It has been equipped with all facilities for IT companies to set up their units.

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### 13 solar plants with 240 MW capacity to be set up in Telangana

The construction work will be taken up by Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL). As part of it, a 35 MW solar plant at Sathupally, 27.5 MW plant at Chennur and five plants with a capacity of 65 MW have been proposed to be constructed in the Mandamarri area on vacant sites available at various mines and colonies.

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## Tamil Nadu

### Tamil Nadu govt launches 'Kalloori Kanavu' initiative

The Tamil Nadu school education department has launched the 'Kalloori Kanavu' initiative in Kovai district. As part of it, a career guidance cell (CGC) will be set up in 116 government schools in the district.

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### Tamil Nadu hospital gets Institute of Cardiac Sciences

Tamil Nadu's Parvathy Mutispeciality Hospital launched its Institute of Cardiac Sciences. The institute is another step towards fulfilling the institution's commitment to providing the highest-quality healthcare services.

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### Tamil Nadu minister lays foundation for pharma park worth INR150 crore

Tamil Nadu minorities welfare minister Gingee KS Masthan laid the foundation stone for a pharma park at the Tindivanam State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamilnadu (SIPCOT). The state-of-the-art park is set to come up at a cost of INR150 crore.

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### Tamil Nadu minister lays foundation for 3 overhead tanks

Tamil Nadu industries minister Thangam Thennarasu laid the foundation stone for the construction of three overhead tanks (OHT) in Mallankinaru town panchayat. Among them, two OHTs will have a capacity of 150,000 litres of water and one will have 60,000 litre capacity.

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## Uttar Pradesh

### Uttar Pradesh likely to get 2 more multi-specialty hospitals

Uttar Pradesh is likely to get two more multi-specialty hospitals. A 400-bedded facility will come up in Lucknow and a similar one has been proposed along the Varanasi-Mirzapur border.

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### Chargeup sets up 35 EV battery swapping stations in Mathura district

Chargeup has launched 35 electric vehicle (EV) charging stations in the Mathura district, offering battery swapping services, leasing and financing options to EV buyers. The new EV stations will cater to electric two-wheelers and three-wheelers and are expected to serve about 700 drivers each day.

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## Union Territories

### New marble market to come up in Chandigarh

The Chandigarh administration has decided to set up a new marble market in Maloya by shifting the existing one in Dhanas. The Chandigarh government and the Punjab government have approved the layout plan of the project, which comprises 191 plots.

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### India's first cable-stayed railway bridge in Reasi completed

Railway minister Ashwini Vaishnaw stated that the work on India's first cable-stayed railway bridge at Anij Khad in Reasi district of Jammu Kashmir is completed.

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### Bharat Vandana Park to come up in Dwarka, Delhi

The Bharat Vandana Park is set to come up in Dwarka, Delhi. It will showcase India's rich cultural and architectural heritage in the form of replicas of famous monuments and places including ghats of Varanasi, Odisha's Sun Temple, Viceregal Lodge, Charminar, Vishwanath Temple and Leh Palace.

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## Uttarakhand

### INR1000 crore sought for development of greenfield city in Udham Singh Nagar, Uttarakhand

Uttarakhand Chief Minister (CM) Pushkar Singh Dhama has sought central funds worth INR1000 crore for the development of a proposed greenfield city in Udham Singh Nagar district.

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### Uttarakhand govt to set up 6 poly houses

The Uttarakhand government has decided to set up six poly houses. Of these, four would come up in project areas and the remaining two would be in battalion headquarters. An irrigation system will be set up in 10 nurseries of the Eco Task Force.

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### Ropeway project to connect Uttarakhand's Gaurikund to Kedarnath Dham

A 9.7-km-long ropeway project will connect Uttarakhand's Gaurikund to Kedarnath Dham in Rudraprayag district. It will reduce the travel time between the two places to 28 minutes from the present six-seven hours.

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