



# Regional Developments

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## Andhra Pradesh

### Centre approves 39 NH projects in Andhra Pradesh

The Centre has approved as many as 39 national highway (NH) projects in Andhra Pradesh for 2023-24, totalling approximately INR31000 crore. The information was shared by Union road transport & highways minister Nitin Gadkari.

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### Hero Future Energies to invest INR30,000 crore on renewable projects in Andhra Pradesh

Hero Future Energies inked a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the state government of Andhra Pradesh to invest INR30,000 crore in developing renewable energy projects in the state.

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### Andhra Pradesh Cabinet approves New Industrial Policy 2023-27

Andhra Pradesh Cabinet approved the New Industrial Policy 2023-27. Besides this, nod was also given for the establishment of the Andhra Pradesh Inland Waterways Authority and Amalapuram Urban Development Authority with its jurisdiction over 120 villages & 11 mandals.

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## Goa

### Goa to get cancer institute

The Goa government is considering to come up with a cancer institute in the state, informed state health minister Vishwajit Rane. The move aims to ensure that state residents are not required to travel to other places for treatment.

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### Goa CM launches AI-driven traffic management system

Goa Chief Minister (CM) Pramod Sawant launched the artificial intelligence (AI)-driven traffic management and electronic-challan system in the state. The move aims to effectively manage traffic and security.

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### Goa govt launches new department

Goa government launched the new state gazetteer and historical records department. It has been set up with the goal of collecting, preserving & digitising documents related to the state's struggle for freedom and other manuscripts of historical importance.

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## Gujarat

### 43 medical colleges to be operational in Gujarat by 2023-end

A total of 43 medical colleges will be operational in Gujarat by the end of 2023. The information was shared by state health minister Rushikesh Patel.

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### Gujarat govt signs 16 MoUs under Aatmanirbhar Gujarat Schemes for Assistance to Industries

The Gujarat government has signed 16 MoUs to start industries at different places in the state under the Aatmanirbhar Gujarat Schemes for Assistance To Industries.

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## Himachal Pradesh

### Himachal Pradesh CM inaugurates Bailey bridge at Choli

Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister (CM) Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu inaugurated the Bailey bridge at Choli on the Kharamukh-Holi road in Chamba district.

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### Himachal Pradesh CM presents supplementary Budget for 2023-24 worth INR13,140 crore

Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister (CM) Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu presented a supplementary Budget for 2023-24 worth INR13,140 crore.

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## Haryana

### Haryana CM launches Mukhyamantri Vyapari Kshatipurti Yojana

Haryana Chief Minister (CM) Manohar Lal Khattar launched the Mukhyamantri Vyapari Kshatipurti Yojana. Following this, traders having annual turnover of below INR2 million will get the chartered accountant (CA) certificate free of cost from the CAs empanelled with the state government.

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### 6 veterinary polyclinics for cattle to come up in Haryana

The Haryana government has decided to set up as many as six veterinary polyclinics to care for and protect cattle in gaushalas. One of the proposed polyclinics will come up in Charkhi Dadri. The information was shared by state Chief Minister (CM) Manohar Lal Khattar.

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## Jharkhand

### JSW Steel mulls INR2,000 crore investment to develop coking coal mine in Jharkhand

JSW Steel has been planning to invest INR2,000 crore to develop a virgin coking coal mine in Jharkhand. The company is awaiting an official announcement from the government after it was declared the highest bidder for the recently auctioned coking coal mine.

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### Jharkhand govt approves several proposals

The Jharkhand Cabinet, under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Hemant Soren, has given a nod to several proposals. As part of this, the construction of 100,000 wells has been approved under the Birsa Irrigation Well Promotion Mission.

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## Karnataka

### Karnataka govt to construct 25,000 classrooms in next 3 years

The Karnataka government has decided to construct around 25,000 classrooms in the state over the next three years. The information was shared by state Chief Minister (CM) Basavaraj Bommai.

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### IN-SPACe unveils seed fund programme for space startups in Karnataka

A seed fund programme was unveiled by the Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Centre (IN-SPACe) division of the Karnataka space department. A grant of up to INR1 crore will be given to selected startups under the new programme, which will be distributed by IN-SPACe.

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### Karnataka's Bengaluru gets intelligent traffic management system

Karnataka's Bengaluru administration has decided to increase the number of signals in and around the city from 363 to 500 over the next three years.

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### Karnataka to get 11 more medical colleges

Karnataka is set to get nearly 11 more medical colleges in as many districts, under the public-private partnership (PPP) model. The districts include Tumakuru, Davangere, Chitradurga, Bagalkot, Kolar, Dakshina Kannada, Udupi, Bengaluru Rural, Vijayapura, Vijayanagara and Ramanagaram.

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## Kerala

### Kerala Cabinet approves monetisation of KFON project

The Kerala Cabinet has approved the recommendations of a committee to monetise the Kerala Fiber Optic Network (KFON) project. The KFON will provide an internet connection to government offices by ensuring the optical network terminal.

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### Kerala govt to develop effective waste management mechanism

The Kerala government has decided to roll out an action plan for developing an effective waste management mechanism across the state on a war footing.

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### Kerala CM launches KGDC, Microbiome CoE

Kerala Chief Minister (CM) Pinarayi Vijayan launched the Kerala Genome Data Centre (KGDC) and Microbiome Centre of Excellence (CoE). The move aims to drive the state's growth in the medical field.

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## Maharashtra

### Maharashtra has highest share in installed capacity of electricity generation

Maharashtra has the highest share in installed capacity of electricity generation in India, as per the Economic Survey 2022-23. The total installed capacity of electricity generation in the state was 37,348 MW. Of this, the share of private sector was 59.9 per cent, public sector 34.8 per cent and public-private sector 5.3 per cent.

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### Maharashtra govt to set up committee to study relaunch of OPS

The Maharashtra government has decided to set up a committee to study the implications of relaunching the old pension scheme (OPS). Discussion in this regard were held at a meeting headed by Chief Minister (CM) Eknath Shinde and deputy chief minister Devendra Fadnavis.

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### SIBC signs MoU in sustainable infrastructure, defence manufacturing with Maharashtra Government

Sweden India Business Council has signed a memorandum of understanding with the Maharashtra government for cooperation in the area of waste to energy, sustainable infrastructure and transportation, defence manufacturing and investment, the industry body.

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## Madhya Pradesh

### MP govt to attract INR4000-4500 crore investment from pharma industries in 5 years

The Madhya Pradesh (MP) government is expected to attract INR4000-4500 crore investment from pharmaceutical industries in the next five years. This comes in the wake of geographical advantage and lucrative policies & incentives offered by the state government.

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### Critical care hospital to come up in Madhya Pradesh's Ratlam

The Government Medical College (GMC) in Madhya Pradesh's Ratlam is set to get a critical care hospital at a cost of INR16.63 crore. The 50-bedded hospital has been approved under the Pradhan Mantri Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission.

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## North East

### Manipur govt approves IT Special Economic Zone

The Manipur Cabinet has given a green nod for the development of the Manipur Information technology (IT) Special Economic Zone at a cost of INR30 crore. The facility will come up on over 10.8 hectares of contiguous land adjacent to the existing Information and Technology Park at Mantripukhri.

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### Centre urged to improve rail connectivity in north-east

Rajya Sabha MP from Assam Ajit Kumar Bhuyan has urged Union minister of railways Ashwini Vaishnaw to improve rail connectivity in certain parts of north-east, particularly Barak Valley in southern Assam and neighbouring Mizoram.

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### Centre approves 2 NHs for Mizoram

The Centre has announced the construction of two new national highways (NH) in Mizoram. The NH-6 would originate from Jorhat in Assam and connect Zokhawthar of Champhai district.

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### Nagaland govt to set up polytechnics in all districts

The Nagaland government has decided to set up polytechnics in all the districts of the state. The information was shared by state evaluation, geology and mining minister TR Zeliang.

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## Odisha

### Odisha to partner IOCL in INR58k crore Paradip project

Odisha government will have an equity in Indian Oil Corporation Limited's (IOCL) proposed INR58,042 crore new investment plan in Paradip.

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### Work of National Waterway-5 in Odisha is under way

As per Transport minister Tukuni Sahu, first phase and second phase work of National Waterway-5 on the Mahanadi is underway. Development work of the first phase has been started, while preliminary work of the second phase is underway.

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## Rajasthan

### Rajasthan govt plans to establish film city in Jaipur

The Rajasthan government has been planning to establish a film city in Jaipur. The state government has also decided to offer an exemption from all fees and charges for film shooting at monuments under its control.

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### Rajasthan govt customised packages to encourage INR6,994 crore investment

CM Ashok Gehlot approved customised packages for five projects to encourage investment of INR6,994 crore in the state, providing employment opportunities for 5,415 workers.

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## Telangana

### 6 ITIs in Telangana to establish incubation centres

As many as six government industrial training institutions (ITIs) in Telangana have been selected to establish incubation centres in order to encourage young entrepreneurship. These are situated in Sircilla, Wanaparthy, Khammam, Nizamabad, Medchal, and Karimnagar districts.

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### Telangana gets 5 Digital Resource Centres

The NASSCOM has launched as many as five Digital Resource Centres in Telangana in partnership with DXC Technology. This would help in imparting the important aspects of digital & financial literacy and offer streamlined digital solutions throughout the state.

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## Tamil Nadu

### ECR four-laning project in Tamil Nadu to cost INR24,430 crore

The project to convert the East Coast Road (ECR) from Mamallapuram to Kanyakumari into a four-lane highway will cost INR24,430 crore. However, the Tuticorin-Tiruchendur-Kanyakumari portion has been given to the state highways department for development.

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### BoB partners with TN govt to offer co-branded debit card

Bank of Baroda (BoB) has partnered with the Tamil Nadu government to provide co-branded RuPay Platinum Debit Card in the state.

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## Union Territories

### J&K admin comes up with INR129.05 crore initiative to reduce fodder deficit

The Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) administration has come up with an INR129.05 crore initiative to reduce fodder deficit by 80 per cent in the union territory (UT).

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### Puducherry admin to create separate dept for sports & youth affairs

The Puducherry administration has commenced steps for the creation of a separate department for sports & youth affairs in the union territory (UT).

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### J&K admin approves amendment in Pharmacy Act

The Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) administration has approved a proposal to amend the Pharmacy Act.

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### Investments worth INR1,547 crore received by J&K during Apr 2022-Jan 2023

Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) received investments worth INR1,547 crore from 1 April 2022 to 31 January 2023. The investments during the current financial year are the highest as compared to any of the previous financial years.

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### J&K LG inaugurates, lays foundation for projects worth INR150 crore

Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) Lieutenant Governor (LG) Manoj Sinha inaugurated and laid foundation stones for projects worth INR150 crore in Jammu.

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## Uttar Pradesh

### Uttar Pradesh govt to invest INR1,000 crore for strengthening forest economy

The Uttar Pradesh government is planning to invest an amount of INR1,000 crore for the purpose of strengthening the value chain of the state's forest economy.

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### Centre plans to establish 10 greenfield expressways in Uttar Pradesh

The Centre is planning to establish as many as 10 greenfield expressways and economic corridors worth INR1.38 lakh crore in Uttar Pradesh.

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### Uttar Pradesh throws open 17 airports, airstrips for private sector investment

The Uttar Pradesh government has opened 17 airports and airstrips for private sector investment. The airstrips are located in Aligarh, Etawah, Kanpur Dehat, Farrukhabad, Shravasti, Azamgarh, Ambedkar Nagar, Sultanpur, Ghazipur, Kheri, Chitrakoot, Sonbhadra, Jhansi, Lalitpur, Meerut, Moradabad and Ayodhya.

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### Onix Group to invest on 2,000 MW green power plants in Uttar Pradesh

Onix Group inks a memorandum of understanding with the Uttar Pradesh government to set up a 2,000 MW renewable power plants in the state. The group will develop a 1,000 MW solar power capacity at Prayagraj and a 1,000 MW wind power capacity in Baghpat.

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## West Bengal

### West Bengal govt to set up 10 ethanol manufacturing units

The West Bengal government has decided to set up as many as 10 ethanol manufacturing units in the state at an investment of INR1,860 crore.

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### INR4,000 crore ring road around twin cities of Kolkata, Howrah : discussions underway

A new INR4,000-crore may soon connect the twin cities of Kolkata and Howrah and ease the traffic congestion between the two cities. According to the news agency, PTI quoted an official, discussions are underway for the new project.

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