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### Andhra Pradesh

### Work on Bhogapuram International Airport in Andhra Pradesh to start from May

Construction work on the Bhogapuram International Airport is expected to commence from May 2023. The airport, which would be situated in Vizianagaram district and be around 15-km from Vizianagaram, will be equally far from Visakhapatnam & Srikakulam.

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#### Andhra Pradesh CM lays foundation stone for Mulapeta Greenfield Port Project

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister (CM) YS Jaganmohan Reddy laid the foundation stone for the Mulapeta Greenfield Port Project in Srikakulam. The cost of the development has been pegged at INR4,360 crore.

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#### Andhra Pradesh govt comes up with draft energy efficiency policy

The Andhra Pradesh government has come up with a draft energy efficiency policy. The provisions proposed under the draft policy are expected to save around 16,875 million units, which is equivalent to 25.6 per cent of the total electricity demand of the state.

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### Bihar

### Bihar govt approves INR309 crore for AIIMS at Darbhanga

The Bihar government has approved a sum of INR309 crore for the construction of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) at Darbhanga. These funds will be used for soil filling and land levelling work, informed state additional chief secretary S Siddharth.

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### Bihar govt to establish 500-bedded teaching hospital at Mahua

The Bihar government is in the process of developing a 500-bedded teaching hospital at Mahua. The move aims to bridge the gap between the increasing demands of medical services and education.

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#### Bihar to get dedicated cyber police stations in 44 districts

Bihar is set to get dedicated cyber police stations in each of its 44 districts. The move aims to tackle cyber-related crimes. These stations will come up in Patna, Muzaffarpur, Katihar, Samastipur, Bagaha and Naugachhia, among others.

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### Chhattisgarh

#### Chhattisgarh CM inaugurates C&D plant in Raipur

Chhattisgarh Chief Minister (CM) Bhupesh Baghel inaugurated the construction & demolition (C&D) plant at Hirapur Jarwai in Raipur. Paver blocks, tiles, drain covers, etc., will be manufactured by processing debris at this plant.

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#### Chhattisgarh CM inaugurates second millet cafe in Raipur

Chhattisgarh Chief Minister (CM) Bhupesh Baghel has inaugurated the second millet cafe in Raipur. The move aims to revive and promote healthy traditional food habits in the state. The cafe will offer a variety of healthy snacks made from millets.

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### Gujarat

#### Gujarat govt to organise `Vibrant Gujarat Global Summit' from 11-13 Jan 2024

The Gujarat government has decided to organise the 'Vibrant Gujarat Global Summit (VGGS)' from 11-13 January 2024. According to The Times of India, the last edition of VGGS took place in 2019, during which around 28,360 MoUs were signed.

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#### Union minister approves development of oil jetty at Deendayal Port in Gujarat

Union ports, shipping and waterways minister Sarbananda Sonowal approved a project of development of an oil jetty at Deendayal Port in Gujarat's Kandla. The estimated cost of developing the project is INR120 crore.

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#### Gujarat's Sanand to get INR400 crore warehousing logistics park

Real estate services and investment major ESR Group has decided to set up a warehousing logistics park in Gujarat's Sanand with an investment of over INR400 crore.

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#### Gujarat CM lays foundation stone for tidal regulator dam project on Purna river

Gujarat Chief Minister (CM) Bhupendra Patel laid the foundation stone for a tidal regulator dam project worth INR110 crore on the Purna river in Navsari. The 18-km-long tidal regulatory dam will hold 255 million cubic feet of water.

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### Haryana

#### Haryana govt aims to make Panchkula a smart city

Haryana Chief Minister (CM) Manohar Lal Khattar approved a proposal to hire an agency for door-to-door garbage collection, transportation and processing of solid waste in Panchkula.

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#### Haryana to get 6 ATS to reduce air pollution

The Haryana government is working towards establishing as many as six automated testing stations (ATS) to reduce air pollution and improve the overall sustainability of transportation.

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#### HPPC invites bids for supplying 500 MW of power from solar projects

The Haryana Power Purchase Centre (HPPC) has invited bids for supplying 500 MW of solar power from grid-connected solar projects in Haryana.

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### Maharashtra

#### Bids invited to install 62 MW solar power project in Maharashtra's Akola

The Maharashtra State Power Generation Company (MAHAGENCO) has invited bids for installing a 62 MW grid-connected solar power project in Akola district.

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#### Maharashtra govt to release draft of new housing policy

The Maharashtra government will release the draft of the new housing policy soon. Considering the change in requirements post-COVID-19 pandemic, the state government will focus upon affordable housing, innovation housing, sustainable housing and encouraging green building technology in the policy.

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### Madhya Pradesh

### Madhya Pradesh govt to develop textile and craft tourism

The Madhya Pradesh tourism board is under the process of developing textile and craft tourism by building artisan's hubs, cafeterias, home stays and digital museums. The move aims to connect tourists to the rich textile and archaeologically significant places of the state, as per The Times of India.

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### North East

#### Chempolis India ink pacts with NTPC to explore bamboo-based bio-refinery

Chempolis India has signed an agreement with NTPC to explore the feasibility of developing a bamboo-based bio-refinery at Bongaigaon in Assam. The bio-refinery project will use bamboo for the production of 2G ethanol, bio-coal for thermal power plants and other value-added products.

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#### Meghalaya's Shillong to get NE's largest multipurpose indoor stadium

Meghalaya's Shillong is set to get the north-eastern (NE) region's largest multipurpose indoor stadium. The information was shared by Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma. The stadium will have equipment for a variety of sports, including volleyball, badminton, squash, basketball and table tennis.

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#### Nagaland's first medical college to start operations from June

The Nagaland Institute of Medical Sciences and Research (NIMSR) at Phriebagie, Kohima, has received the Letter of Intent (LOI) from the National Medical Council's (NMC) Medical Assessment and Rating Board (MARB).

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#### Centre approves 2,605 4G mobile towers for villages in Arunachal Pradesh

The Centre has approved the installation of nearly 2,605 4G mobile towers for providing connectivity to more than 3,721 villages in Arunachal Pradesh. The aim is to provide last-mile connectivity to the remotest corners of the country.

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#### Assam, Arunachal Pradesh govts sign MoU to resolve border disputes

Assam and Arunachal Pradesh share an 804.1-km-long border. The two states have been in discussions to resolve the border dispute with Sarma and Khandu signing the Namsai Declaration on July 15 last year wherein they had pledged to find a solution soon.

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#### Assam, Nagaland govts agree on oil exploration in disputed areas

The Assam and Nagaland governments have decided to go ahead with oil exploration in disputed areas for the economic benefit of both states.

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#### Assam CM inaugurates CNG station and gas pipeline at Hazarigaon

Assam Chief Minister (CM) Himanta Biswa Sarma inaugurated a compressed natural gas (CNG) station and gas pipeline at Hazarigaon well site at Naharbari in Golaghat. The development has come as a part of the state government's initaive towards popularising green energy in the state.

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### Odisha

#### Odisha to get semiconductor unit worth INR2 lakh crore

Odisha is set to get a semiconductor unit worth INR2 lakh crore which will be established by the SRAM & MRAM Group. The first instalment of INR30,000 crore has already been received.

#### Odisha's Bhubaneswar to get 3 new fire stations

Odisha's Bhubaneswar is set to get as many as three new fire stations. These will come up at Tamando, Mancheswar and Pahal. A proposal in this regard was approved by Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik.

#### Odisha govt launches `vacation education programme'

The Odisha government has come up with a new initiative, called 'vacation education programme', for the upcoming summer vacations. The information was shared by state school & mass education minister Samir Ranjan Dash.

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#### Odisha govt develops roadmap for fintech industry

Odisha government organised the first Odisha Fintech Festival for the purpose of developing a roadmap for the fintech industry. This would help in identifying opportunities and challenges, besides attracting more companies to the state.

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### Rajasthan

#### Rajasthan CM inaugurates Rajasthan International Centre

Rajasthan Chief Minister (CM) Ashok Gehlot inaugurated the Rajasthan International Centre (RIC). The development has come nearly 10 years after the foundation stone of the project was laid.

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#### Oriana Power commissions 1 MWp floating solar project in Rajasthan

Oriana Power announced commissioning of a one megawatt peak (MWp) floating solar power project in Rajasthan. The project has been commissioned for Udaipur Cement Works Limited (UCWL), a subsidiary of JK Lakshmi Cement, at its Dabok mine in the state.

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### Punjab

#### Punjab govt plans to set up CoE for ramping up EV charging infrastructure

The Punjab government is planning to set up a Centre of Excellence (CoE) for ramping up electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure in the state, reported The Indian Express.

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#### Punjab CM unveils 20 more public mines in 5 districts

Punjab Chief Minister (CM) Bhagwant Mann dedicated 20 more public mines to people in five districts of the state. These include Ludhiana, Ferozepur, Moga, Hoshiarpur and SBS Nagar.

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### Kerala

#### KSDMA plans to set up permanent cooling centres across Kerala

The Kerala State Disaster Management Authority (KSDMA) is planning to set up permanent cooling centres across the state, considering the rising temperature. These centres would be established by local bodies under the KSDMA's Heat Action Plan (HAP), as per The New Indian Express.

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#### Kerala govt installs 726 AI cameras to detect traffic violations

The Kerala motor vehicle department has installed nearly 726 artificial intelligence (AI) cameras across the state to detect traffic violations and impose fines under the 'Safe Kerala' project.

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#### Kerala minister inaugurates 20 kW roof-top solar power plant in Akkulam

Kerala electricity minister K Krishnankutty inaugurated a 20 kilowatt (kW) roof-top solar power plant at the head office of the National Transportation Planning and Research Centre (NATPAC) in Akkulam.

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#### Kottayam greenfield airport project gets Centre's clearance

The Union Ministry of Civil Aviation has granted site clearance for a greenfield airport project at Kottayam in Kerala. The project received clearance after several rounds of discussions between the ministry and Kerala State Industrial Development Corporation (KSIDC).

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### Telangana

#### Solar systems set up at 11 govt schools in Telangana's Warangal

Solar systems of two KW capacity have been set up at 11 government schools in Warangal. These units have started generating electricity and are being used at the respective schools.

#### Telangana's Hyderabad to get LEED industrial scrap processing facility

Hyderabad to get Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED) Platinum certified ewaste and industrial scrap processing & precious metals recovery and refining facility.

#### MoU signed to develop open spaces in Telangana

The Telangana municipal administration and urban development (MAUD) department has signed an MoU with Hyderabad Urban Lab Foundation (HUL) to promote sustainable models, tools and best practices for low-cost urban innovation and sustainable urbanisation.

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#### GHMC to set up Lighthouse Skilling Centre in Chandanagar, Telangana

The Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) will set up a 4,000-square feet Lighthouse Skilling Centre in Chandanagar, Hyderabad, Telangana. The GHMC has partnered with the Lighthouse Communities Foundation (LCF) and Principal Global Services (PGS) for this purpose.

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#### Telangana's largest govt hospital to come up in Warangal

The multi-specialty hospital will become a medical hub equipped with modern medical facilities, state-of-the-art modular operation theaters and air-handling units to prevent the spread of infections.

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#### Tangedco signs MoU with Telangana's Singareni mines for procurement of coal

The Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution Corporation (Tangedco) has signed an MoU with Telangana's Singareni mines for the procurement of coal.

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#### Telangana govt to set up 55 emergency & trauma centres

The Telangana government has decided to form a Telangana Emergency Response Team (TERI) and establish 55 emergency & trauma centres across the state.

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### Tamil Nadu

### Tamil Nadu govt to set up Centre for Social Justice and Equity in Chennai

The state government has decided to set up a Centre for Social Justice and Equity at the Madras School of Social Work in Chennai.

#### Tamil Nadu's Tiruchi gets incubation centre and windmill

Tamil Nadu's Tiruchi has got an incubation centre and a windmill at the St. Joseph's College. The move aims to help students, faculty & entrepreneurs incubate their ideas and evolve as companies.

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#### Tamil Nadu govt signs MoU for setting up footwear manufacturing unit

The state government has signed an MoU with High Glory Footwear for setting up a footwear manufacturing unit. The manufacturing unit will come up at Ulundurpet in Kallakurichi at an investment of INR2,300 crore.

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#### Land to be acquired soon for Avinashi Road flyover works

The State Highways Department will acquire land on Avinashi Road in Coimbatore city to develop a lane beyond the ramps as part of the flyover works. It plans to acquire almost four acres along the 10 km stretch of Avinashi Road from Uppilipalayam to Goldwins.

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#### Centre for Innovation in Governance to be set up in Tamil Nadu

The Tamil Nadu State Planning Commission is set to get a Centre for Innovation in Governance under the Tamil Nadu Innovative Initiatives (TANII). The information was shared by state finance & human resources management minister Palanivel Thiaga Rajan.

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#### Tamil Nadu govt sanctions INR3 crore for development works at Danish Fort

The Tamil Nadu tourism department has sanctioned a sum of INR3 crore for various infrastructure development works at the Danish Fort in Tharangambadi. Works on the project are expected to commence within the next three months, as per The Hindu.

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### Tata Power partners with Coimbatore municipal body to install 20 EV charging stations

Tata Power has joined hands with Coimbatore Municipal Corporation to set up 20 public electric vehicle (EV) charging stations across the city.







### **Union Territories**

## Additional 2,443 hectares earmarked for establishing 42 industrial estates in J&K

The J&K administration has earmarked an additional 2,443 hectares of land for establishing 42 new industrial estates. An investment of INR34,290 crore has been proposed for the project, which will generate employment for 154,000 persons.

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#### J&K admin to make UT global tourist destination by 2025

The Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) administration aims to make the union territory (UT) a leading global tourist destination by 2025. For this purpose, an average investment of INR2000 crore per year has been proposed.

Uttar Pradesh

#### Union minister launches PM Mitra Park in Uttar Pradesh's Lucknow & Hardoi

Union minister of textiles Piyush Goyal launched the Pradhan Mantri Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM Mitra) Park in Uttar Pradesh's Lucknow and Hardoi.

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#### INR10,000 crore to be given to 10 smart cities in Uttar Pradesh

As many 10 cities in Uttar Pradesh will get INR10,000 crore for completing infrastructure projects under the Smart Cities Mission. The objective is to meet the June 2023 deadline. Out of the 542 infrastructure projects, 343 have been commissioned.

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## Metro rail corridor between Noida International Airport and Knowledge Park-2 to have 7 stations

The proposed metro rail corridor between the upcoming Noida International Airport at Jewar and Knowledge Park-2 in Greater Noida is expected to have seven stations. Of these seven stations, six will be elevated and one underground.

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#### Uttar Pradesh govt launches agroforestry project

The Uttar Pradesh government has launched an agroforestry project to link farming with the global carbon credit market. The project is estimated to generate 4.5 million carbon credits. The value of each carbon credit is calculated at USD 6, following which the income under the current project will be to the tune of INR230 crore.

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### Uttar Pradesh

#### Uttar Pradesh govt allows setting up 3 new private universities

The Uttar Pradesh government has allowed the establishment of three new private universities in the state. The information was shared by state chief secretary Durga Shankar Mishra recently.

### Uttarakhand

#### Uttarakhand govt to set up 17,648 polyhouses

The Uttarakhand government has decided to set up as many as 17,648 polyhouses in the state. An amount worth INR300 crore has been sanctioned under the NABARD Rural Infrastructure Development Fund for the purpose.

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#### 232 schools in Uttarakhand to be upgraded under PM SHRI scheme

The Uttarakhand government has identified 232 schools in the state for upgradation under the Pradhan Mantri Schools for Rising India (PM SHRI) scheme. In the first phase, 142 schools will be developed.

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#### UTDB declares Jadung as next tourism destination in Uttarakhand

The Uttarakhand Tourism Development Board (UTDB) has declared Jadung as the next tourism destination in the state. It is the first village from the Tibet border.

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### West Bengal

#### Agri and allied sector projects worth INR1320 crore sanctioned in West Bengal

Approximately INR1,320 crore has been invested in 1,000 projects in West Bengal's agriculture and associated sectors. The projects include setting up of cold storages, oil & dal mills, packaging & grading facilities, warehouses and farm machinery hubs, among others.

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#### Kolkata airport plans interim expansion

The Kolkata airport authorities are looking for an interim expansion to accommodate more passengers and flights. The airport authorises will increase the capacity of the terminal by using unutilised space and by constructing a small extension to the building.

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