



# Regional Developments

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## Haryana

### Haryana sets up maximum MSMEs during 2021-22

During the fiscal year 2021-2022, the Haryana government established the most MSMEs in the area, totalling 66,767. As a result, as many as 336,000 employment opportunities were created.

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### Haryana emerges as top state in terms of total trade value on e-NAM

Haryana has emerged as the major contributor in terms of total trade value on the Centre's National Agriculture Market (e-NAM) portal. Trade in agricultural produce has so far been recorded at a value of Rs. 2 trillion, of which Haryana's share stood at Rs. 627.5 billion.

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### Centre approves Rs. 9 bln for Haryana under PMGSY

The Centre has approved a sum of Rs. 9 billion for Haryana under the Pradhan Mantri Gati Shakti Yojana, worth Rs. 11 billion have been received from various departments under the scheme. These are mainly related to logistics, infrastructure and transportation.

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## Himachal Pradesh

### Around 453,000 people in HP receive benefits under Ayushman Bharat, HIMCARE

As many as 453,000 people in HP have been benefited under the Ayushman Bharat and HIMCARE schemes. a comprehensive health insurance scheme launched by the central government. A sum of Rs. 1.7 billion has been spent on the initiative.

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### Himachal Pradesh decides to ban 'non-woven' plastic carry bags from Jan 1, 2023

Concerned over the rampant use of environmentally hazardous 'non-woven' plastic carry bags across the State, the Himachal Pradesh government has decided to impose a complete ban on its use from January 1, 2023.

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### Special vehicle for hearing-impaired patients of Himachal Pradesh flagged off

A Jeevandhara-Shravan vehicle launched by Himachal Pradesh Health and Family Welfare Minister. The vehicle will ensure early detection and screening of hearing problems of people across the state. The vehicle will utilize AI technology for its operation.

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## Punjab

### Punjab CM announces slew of development projects for Sunam Udham Singh Wala

Punjab CM announced a slew of development projects worth Rs. 226 million for the holistic development of the Sunam Udham Singh Wala Assembly constituency. A Rs. 50.7 million bus stand at Cheema and a Rs. 35.8 million stadium at Longowal were also announced.

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### Punjab's first ICCC comes up in Ludhiana

Punjab local bodies minister inaugurated the state's first hi-tech ICCC in Ludhiana. As many as 1,401 CCTV cameras have been installed in the city, set up at a cost of Rs. 359.6 million. The unit will bring a change in the functioning of the civic body and police administration.

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### Punjab govt unveils EV policy

The Punjab government has unveiled its five-year EV policy, with an aim to register at least 25 per cent of new EV vehicles each year. The policy seeks to position Punjab as a preferred location for manufacturing EVs and its components, alongside promoting job opportunities.

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## Gujarat

### Hydrogen blended PNG in Hazira, Gujarat

Foundation stone has been laid for Green Hydrogen - Natural Gas blending project to be developed at NTPC Kawas, where 5 per cent hydrogen will be blended with the piped natural gas to be supplied to 200 homes. The project aims to produce 100 SCMD of gas.

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### Gujarat govt to utilise Rs. 17.9 bln for river cleaning projects

Under the National River Conservation Plan, the Gujarat government has received a total of Rs. 17.9 billion to clean the Sabarmati, Mindhola and Tapi rivers. The construction of a sewage treatment plant is one of the project's essential elements for the project.

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### Gujarat govt signs MoU with L&T Ltd to set up IT, ITeS technology park in Vadodara

The Gujarat government has signed an MoU with the L&T Limited to set up an IT and IT-enabled service technology park in Vadodara. The park will be developed with an investment of Rs. 70 billion in the next five years and has set a target to create 100,000 IT jobs.

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## Maharashtra

### Rs. 6 bln released for MRVC in Maharashtra

The railway board has released a sum of Rs. 6 billion for the cash-strapped Mumbai Railway Vikas Corporation in Maharashtra. The amount has been sanctioned so that the corporation executes various infrastructure projects, including land acquisition for MUDP 2A, 3 and 3A.

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### 1,500 EV charging stations to be set up across Maharashtra

As many as 1,500 EV charging stations will be set up across Maharashtra. Around 80 per cent of the stations will come up on highways and expressways linking Mumbai to Pune, Nashik, Goa and others. The installation exercise will be taken up by Tata Power.

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### SJVN bags 200 MW solar project worth Rs.12 billion in Maharashtra

SJVN has secured a 200 MW solar power project through the e-reverse auction in Maharashtra. The 200 MW solar project is bagged at the rate of Rs.2.90 per unit on a BOO basis in the tariff-based competitive bidding process of the MSEDCL.

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## Jammu & Kashmir

### J&K CS approves establishment of PPCPA cell

J&K chief secretary has approved the establishment of a PPCPA cell within the UT planning, monitoring & development department. The unit will assist the state in framing projects to be taken up under PPP mode, get funding and monitor rate of investment of the project.

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### 75 heritage sites in J&K to be restored

J&K culture department has decided to restore 75 heritage sites across UT. The aim is to uniformly develop these sites by capturing and displaying their historical data & provide proper approach roads & public utilities and ensure cleanliness around the premises.

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### J&K admin to upgrade medical colleges under PMSSY

J&K administration has decided to upgrade state-run medical colleges, at a cost of Rs. 2.7 billion as part of the PMSSY. The move aims to deliver free primary healthcare, provide early diagnosis and management of common non-communicable diseases.

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## Madhya Pradesh

### Foundation stones laid for 5 road projects worth Rs. 23 bln in Madhya Pradesh

Union road transport and highways minister laid foundation stones for 5 road projects worth Rs. 23 billion in MP. Around 119-km of roads will come up on national highways passing through the state, improving the state's connectivity with neighbouring states.

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### Madhya Pradesh govt signs MoU with NHAI to set up 14 ropeways

The Madhya Pradesh government has signed an MoU with the NHAI to set up as many as 14 ropeways across the state. The move aims to ease traffic in city and tourist places. The ropeway proposed in Ujjain is likely to be set up on priority.

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### Madhya Pradesh to get world's largest floating solar plant

MP is set to get the world's largest floating solar plant on Omkareshwar Dam in Khandwa, at a cost of about Rs. 30 billion, set to generate 600 MW power. Following this, Khandwa will become the only district in the state to have thermal power station, hydel and solar power.

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## Tamil Nadu

### Tamil Nadu CM unveils 3 startup regional hubs

Tamil Nadu CM unveiled three startup regional hubs in as many districts. These include Madurai, Tirunelveli and Erode. The objective is to take state government initiatives, related to startup an innovation policy, to tier-II and tier-III regions.

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### Tamil Nadu CM inaugurates new buildings for ITIs in Chennai

Tamil Nadu CM inaugurated new buildings for Industrial Training Institutes and an integrated employment office complex in Chennai. The facilities have been established at a cost of Rs. 297.5 million by the state labour welfare and skill development department.

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### Tamil Nadu govt to launch Integrated Land Record

The Tamil Nadu government will soon launch the ILR. The document will contain details of 'chitta', i.e., field measurement book and 'adangal' for land parcels. The ILR is also expected to help farmers while applying for crop loans and subsidies under various schemes.

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## Andhra Pradesh

### Andhra Pradesh govt releases Rs. 15.9 bln under YSR Pension Kanuka

The Andhra Pradesh government has sanctioned a total of Rs. 15.9 billion under the YSR Pension Kanuka scheme. This is the highest ever amount to be released for welfare pensions in the state so far. The decision would benefit 310,000 people in the state.

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### Andhra Pradesh CM disburses Rs. 3.9 bln under Jagananna Thodu programme

Andhra Pradesh CM disbursed a total of Rs. 3.9 billion among 395,000 beneficiaries under the Jagananna Thodu programme. As part of the scheme, interest-free loans are provided to petty vendors, artisans and those dependent on traditional professions every year.

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### Andhra Pradesh govt aims to attract investments worth USD 4 bln in EV segment

The Andhra Pradesh government is aiming to develop itself as a 'lighthouse state'. It has set a target to attract investments to the tune of USD 4 billion in the EV segment over the next few years. The state will frame requisite policy by eliciting ideas from various stakeholders.

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## Karnataka

### KITS, KSWDC to extend loan support to women entrepreneurs in Karnataka

The KITS and KSWDC have decided to extend loan support to women entrepreneurs in the state. As part of this, the KITS has invited applications from woman entrepreneurs for loans ranging from Rs. 500,000 to Rs. 1 million.

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### Karnataka Cabinet accords approval to R&D Policy

The Karnataka Cabinet has accorded approval to the Karnataka R&D Policy, which seeks to give a big boost to research and innovation from the garage level to the institutional level. Further, MoUs worth Rs. 110 trillion have been signed in the renewable energy sector.

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### Karnataka govt releases Rs. 10.5 bln to 4 road transport corporations

The Karnataka government has released an amount to the tune of Rs. 10.5 billion to four road transport corporations. Of the total, Rs. 8 billion will be used for clearing provident fund dues and the remaining amount for meeting fuel bills.

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## Telangana

### Rs. 24.1 bln sanctioned for improvement of road corridors in Telangana's GHMC, 10 ULBs

A sum of Rs. 24.1 billion has been sanctioned for the improvement of 104 road corridors in Telangana's GHMC limits and 10 urban local bodies. The amount has been approved under phase-III of the missing link roads programme.

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### Rs. 300,000 each to be released for homeless land owners in Telangana

Telangana CM is planning to release a grant of Rs. 300,000 each for homeless land-owners in the state as part of government's flagship scheme to provide aid for construction of houses.

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### Telangana CM inaugurates police integrated command & control centre in Hyderabad

Telangana CM inaugurated the Telangana State Police Integrated Command and Control Centre Hyderabad. The centre has been constructed at a cost of around Rs. 6 billion. The police will be able to make the best use of AI technology and devices to ensure state security.

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### Telangana aims to emerge as India's main palm oil hub

The Telangana government has set a target to bring additional 809,371.2 hectares under oil palm cultivation in the next 4 years, to become the palm oil hub..The move could reduce the country's enormous vegetable oil imports, which were estimated at USD 18.9 billion last year.

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## Delhi

### Delhi govt to launch 'Doctor on Wheels' initiative

The Delhi government has decided to launch 'Doctor on Wheels' initiative for offering routine health check-ups to workers at construction sites. Besides this, mobile creches will be started where children of construction workers will get modern day-care facilities at the sites.

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### Delhi govt plans to introduce app-based premium inter-city bus service

In a bid to encourage the use of public transport system, the Aam Aadmi Party government has planned to introduce app-based premium inter-city bus services for people travelling to and from neighbouring cities like Gurgaon, Ghaziabad and Noida for work.

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## Uttar Pradesh

### Patients of emergency care to be given free treatment for 48 hours by UP govt

UP government has decided to provide free treatment to patients of emergency care for the first 48 hours. For this purpose, a sum of Rs. 30 billion will be spent by the state government. The decision has been taken in a bid to safeguard every life in the state.

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### UP govt to provide vocational training to destitute women living in 13 shelter homes

UP government has decided to provide vocational training to destitute women residing in about 13 shelter homes in the state. The initiative aims to make women of the state self-dependent. The move is expected to benefit around 725 women.

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### Uttar Pradesh govt to tap Indian embassies to double merchandise shipments

The UP government will tap the Indian embassies in the US and European countries in its bid to double merchandise shipments to Rs. 3 trillion in the next four-five years. The Indian embassies will promote MSME products, under the state's flagship ODOP scheme.

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### MoU signed to make Uttar Pradesh USD 1 trillion economy by 2027

The Uttar Pradesh government has signed an MoU with Deloitte India appointing it as a consultant for making the state a USD 1 trillion economy by 2027. As part of the agreement, Deloitte India will have to prepare a future action plan after conducting a sector-wise study.

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## Rajasthan

### Rajasthan govt to promote local handicrafts, handloom industry

The Rajasthan government has decided to promote the local handicrafts and handloom industry. The state government has also given financial approval of Rs. 90 million for extending assistance to industry workers in 2022-23.

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### TPGEL commissions 225 MW hybrid power project in Rajasthan

The Tata Power Green Energy Limited has commissioned a 225 MW hybrid power project in Rajasthan. With this, the revised electricity supply portfolio will rise to 38 per cent non-carbon power. The power plant will annually offset nearly 700 million kilogram of CO2.

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## West Bengal

### West Bengal govt to procure 1,180 e-buses by 2023

As intimidated by CESL- a federal government agency, the West Bengal Transport Corporation has decided to procure around 1,180 e-buses by the end of 2023. The aim is to promote environmentally friendly public transportation.

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### West Bengal gets medical bus equipped with healthcare facilities

West Bengal's Anandalok Hospital launched a 32-foot-long medical bus equipped with essential fundamental healthcare facilities. The move aims to facilitate the provision of healthcare services to underserved and distant communities.

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### Bengal: Government move to boost tourism sector

The Bengal government has come up with an important decision to augment tourism activities and to boost private investment in the sector by forming 6 sector-specific committees and by including stakeholders of the tourism sector.

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## Bihar

### Bihar's Supaul to get floating solar energy plant

A floating solar energy plant in Bihar's Supaul will start operations this month, as part of the state government's ambitious 'Jal Jeevan Hariyali' initiative. Managing Director of BSPHCL, has said that preparations are being made to set up two more 30 solar energy.

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### Bihar govt seeks additional 100 mln mandays under MGNREGA

The Bihar government has sought allotment of additional 100 million mandays target for 2022-23, under MGNREGA. Following this, the revised target will be 250 million mandays. The objective is to open more opportunities for rural unskilled workers.

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### Ganesh Super TMT plans the expansion of its production capacity to 25000 MT

Ganesh Super TMT, Bihar's only listed TMT enterprise, has planned an expansion of its production capacity to 25000 MT. The new facility will be in the Muzaffarpur district. The government has been taking several initiatives to bring industrialization to the state.

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## Odisha

### Odisha govt to provide 4G internet connectivity in 2,792 villages

The Odisha government has decided to provide 4G mobile internet connectivity in as many as 2,792 villages of the state. The initiative will be taken up under the Centre's digital inclusion policy.

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### Odisha to get 2 new ITIs

Odisha is set to get as many as two new ITIs in Balangir and Sambalpur districts.. The development is expected to benefit youths, particularly tribal students. It will also create ample opportunities for employment and self-employment.

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## North-East

### Assam CM distributes financial aid to children orphaned due to COVID-19

Assam CM distributed financial assistance of Rs. 767,300 to children who lost their parents during the COVID-19 pandemic, under phase-II of the Sishu Seva scheme.

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### Arunachal Pradesh govt signs tripartite pact for transformation in school education

The Arunachal Pradesh government signed a tripartite agreement with the NITI Aayog and Reach to Teach Foundation for a large-scale transformation in school education. The initiative is expected to benefit nearly 200,000 children during the 2022-25 period.

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### Walmart & Flipkart signs MoU to aid digitisation of MSMEs in Assam

Walmart and Flipkart have signed MoU with the Industries & Commerce and Public Enterprises Department, Public Health Engineering, Skill, Employment & Entrepreneurship and Tourism Department of Assam to form a digitized ecosystem for local MSMEs.

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### RSAs, SRUs to be established at district level in Nagaland

The Nagaland government has ordered the establishment of RSAs and SRUs in the state, aiming to eliminate hazardous manual cleaning of sewers and septic tanks according to the Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act.

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## Jharkhand

### Jharkhand lines up tribal festival

The Jharkhand government has planned to observe the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples, commonly known as the International Tribal Day. The festival will feature art and culture, alongside with conducting series of seminars subject to tribal issues.

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### BSNL to provide 4G mobile services to 1,350 uncovered villages in Jharkhand

State-owned telecom service provider Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited has geared up to provide 4G mobile services to the remaining (around 1,350) uncovered villages of Jharkhand by the end of this current financial year.

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### 'Jharkhand received Rs 19k Crore from coal production in 2 years'

Union Coal Minister has said that out of the profit earned by the coal production in Jharkhand, about Rs 19,000 crore has been paid to the State in the last two years. A certain percentage out of the profit earned is given by the Centre for the development of the State.

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## Kerala

### Kerala CM inaugurates project to provide milk, eggs to children at all anganwadis

Kerala CM inaugurated a project to provide milk and eggs to children at all anganwadis in the state. The project aims to improve the nutrition levels of children, for which the government has allocated nearly Rs. 615 million in the ongoing financial year.

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### Kerala govt to roll out more projects to revive cashew sector

The Kerala government has decided to roll out several projects to revive the cashew sector. Around 400 tonnes of cashew will be procured and 8 million cashew sachets will be distributed. This in return will help the CAPEX and KSCDC to earn nearly Rs. 400 million during the upcoming festive season.

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### Panel set up for special schools in Kerala

A panel has been set up by the Kerala government to revise the criteria for granting financial assistance packages to schools where children with intellectual disabilities study.

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