



Regional Developments

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Haryana

PM dedicates to nation 2G ethanol plant in Haryana's Panipat

PM Modi dedicated to the nation a 2G ethanol plant in Haryana's Panipat. It has been built at an estimated cost of Rs. 9 billion. The development has come as part of steps being taken up by the Centre to boost the production and usage of biofuels in the country.

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Haryana govt to open 500 'Model Sanskriti Schools'

The Haryana government has set a target to open 500 'Model Sanskriti Schools' across the state. As many as 138 schools have already been made operational. Free education will be offered to students belonging to families with annual income less than Rs. 180,000.

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HSVP to launch Last and Final Settlement Scheme in Haryana on 17 Aug

HSVP announced that it will launch the Last and Final Settlement Scheme in Haryana for 2022. The scheme aims to safeguard the interests of allottees by easing the process of recovery and settling their pending disputes. The scheme will benefit about 8,507 allottees.

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Himachal Pradesh

Himachal Pradesh health dept to implement drone policy by Aug end

The Himachal Pradesh health department is set to implement its drone policy by the end of August 2022. Under the policy, drones will be used for delivering medicines and vaccines in remote and cut-off regions of the state.

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Himachal Govt To Build 76 Model Health, Wellness Centres

The Himachal Pradesh government has decided to develop 76 model health and wellness centres in the state by creating and filling up of 152 posts of staff nurses and 76 posts of female health workers on contract basis. The Cabinet also decided to increase the daily allowance of sportspersons.

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Indian, US special forces begin 3-week joint exercise

The Indo-US joint exercise for special forces commenced at the Special Forces Training School, Bakloh, in Himachal Pradesh. The 3-week 'Vajra Prahar 2022', program is a significant step in improving bilateral defence cooperation between India and the US.

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Punjab

Asia's largest compressed biogas plant commissions production

A CBG plant has commissioned commercial operations in Sangrur district in Punjab, with a capacity to compress 3.2 TPD of biogas is Asia's largest CBG plant. Besides, PEDDA has allocated 42 additional CBG projects based on paddy straw and other agro-residue.

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26 road projects worth Rs. 18.5 bln in Punjab to be completed by 2023-24

As many as 26 road projects worth Rs. 18.5 billion in Punjab will be completed by 2023-24. The projects include construction of two ROB in Nangal at a cost of about Rs. 1.7 billion

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5.1 mln households in Punjab to get zero electricity bills from 1 September

Around 5.1 million households in Punjab will get zero electricity bills from 1 September 2022. The information was shared by state CM while dedicating 66 KV Butaari-Beas line to the people, the setting-up cost of which has been pegged at Rs. 44 million.

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Gujarat

BHEL invites bids for O&M work of 100 MW solar power plant in Gujarat

BHEL has invited bids for operations and maintenance work of a 100 MW grid-connected solar power plant at the Raghnesda Solar Park, phase-I in Gujarat for 10 years. The estimated cost of the tender is Rs. 111.3 million.

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Gujarat CM inaugurates 5,600 projects in Dahod

Gujarat CM inaugurated ceremonies of over 5,600 projects worth Rs. 16 billion in tribal-dominated Dahod. So far, nearly Rs. 1 trillion has been spent by for welfare in the tribal areas.

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Gujarat govt unveils 'Drone Promotion and Usage Policy'

The Gujarat government has unveiled a new 'Drone Promotion and Usage Policy'. The aim is to increase the commercial use of drones by various government entities and private bodies.

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Parliament passes Bill to set up Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya in Gujarat

The Parliament has passed the Central Universities (Amendment) Bill. That seeks to convert the National Rail and Transportation University in Gujarat into Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya

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Maharashtra

BEST announces Ho-Ho AC bus service in Maharashtra

The Brihanmumbai Electric Supply and Transport in Maharashtra has announced another hop-on-hop-off AC bus service for tourists. The aim is to ease travel for tourists visiting Mumbai and increase footfall.

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Maharashtra Cabinet approves hike in cost of Mumbai Metro 3 project

The Maharashtra Cabinet approved a hike in the cost of the Mumbai Metro's Colaba-Bandra-SEEPZ Metro 3 project. The project cost has been increased from Rs. 231.3 billion to around Rs. 334 billion, for which the state government will now contribute Rs. 36.9 billion.

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700-bedded multi-specialty hospital to be established at Warje, Maharashtra

The Maharashtra government has given approval for the construction of a 700-bedded multi-specialty hospital at Warje. The hospital will be built and run under a PPP model. The cost of the project has been pegged at Rs. 3.5 billion.

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Tata Power collaborates with JP Infra for EV infrastructure

Tata Power has tied up with JP Infra to provide EV charging infrastructure across JP Infra's projects in Mumbai. Tata Power shall set up over 60 charging points across JP Infra's residential projects in Mumbai.

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Jammu & Kashmir

J&K's Srinagar admin to build largest Chinar Park

J&K's Srinagar administration has decided to build the largest Chinar Park in the Valley, called 'ChinarZaar'. The park will be constructed as part of the 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' across 20.2 hectares. The aim is to develop the area as a green zone to attract more tourists and locals.

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J&K LG inaugurates several key initiatives in education sector

J&K Lieutenant Governor inaugurated several key initiatives in the education sector. As part of it, he inaugurated 119 civil works including 84 school buildings and other allied infrastructure projects. Sports infrastructure will also be augmented as part of the initiative.

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Madhya Pradesh

MoU signed to improve skill development among youths of Madhya Pradesh

An MoU has been signed between the department of technical education, Global Skill Park and Sales Force Company of California with the aim of improving skill development and digital fluency among the youth of Madhya Pradesh through an e-learning platform.

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Madhya Pradesh launches Mukhyamantri Jan Awas scheme

Madhya Pradesh government launched the "Mukhyamantri Jan Awas Yojana" scheme to provide roof for the people living in deprivation. The scheme is aimed at providing proper housing, educational and medical facilities to all the citizens in the state.

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Bhopal: Scindia inaugurates International Centre of Media Excellence

Civil aviation minister inaugurated Praveena Pandey Memorial International Centre of Media Excellence in Gwalior. The Centre's objective is to provide a boon for the media in the state and give Gwalior a new identity at the international level.

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Tamil Nadu

81 schools identified for implementation of Chief Minister's Breakfast Scheme in Tamil Nadu

The Tamil Nadu government has identified as many as 81 schools for the implementation of the 'Chief Minister's Breakfast Scheme'. The scheme will be implemented by the state social welfare and women empowerment department at a cost of Rs. 335.6 million.

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Tamil Nadu's CEG campus to get research park

Tamil Nadu's Anna University CEG campus is set to get a research park. The park will be developed on the lines of IIT Madras Research Park, to promote innovations and industry-related research work. The cost of the project has been pegged at Rs. 500 million.

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Tamil Nadu's Karur to get 17 check dams

Tamil Nadu's Karur district is set to get as many as 17 check dams. The aim is to boost irrigation network for farmers in the district who are dependent on Amaravati and Cauvery rivers. Also, an amount of about Rs. 150 million has been sanctioned for Thathampalayam lake.

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Andhra Pradesh

2 highway projects in Andhra Pradesh receive Centre's approval

The central government has accorded administrative approvals for two road infrastructure projects, worth Rs 2,308.31 crore, for Andhra Pradesh under the Bharatmala project on Hybrid Annuity Mode.

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Andhra Pradesh govt sanctions Rs. 660 mln to Kuppam municipality in Chittoor

The Andhra Pradesh government sanctioned Rs. 660 million to the Kuppam municipality in Chittoor. The state government had received proposals for an amount of Rs. 670 million for development works in 25 wards.

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Andhra Pradesh govt to introduce 2,000 'Kisan Drones'

The Andhra Pradesh government has decided to introduce as many as 2,000 'Kisan Drones' under SMAM initiative. The action plan aims to boost the agriculture sector. The initiative will be taken up at a cost of Rs. 2 billion with an aim to protect the interests of farmers.

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Karnataka

Karnataka Cabinet approves new water policy

The Karnataka Cabinet approved the Karnataka Water Policy. It will look at implementing projects that aim to utilise surface water to ensure adequate water supply to its citizens. Apart from this, various projects worth over Rs. 10 billion were accorded under the JJM.

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Karnataka: CM Basavaraj Bommai Flags Off 75 Highly Advanced Electronic Buses In Bengaluru

In a move to cater to the needs of the people of Bengaluru, Karnataka CM flagged off 75 "Switch EiV 12 buses" . Inducted by the BMTC, these electric buses are a part of the 300 electronic buses fleet and will play a pivotal role in reducing the carbon footprint of the city.

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Siemens Gamesa to supply wind turbines for Azure Power's 346 MW project

Siemens Gamesa has secured an order from Azure Power to supply wind turbines for a 346 MW project in Karnataka. The wind turbines will produce enough clean energy to meet the electricity needs of more than a million homes in India.

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Telangana

Telangana govt sanctions funds to upgrade roads in Hyderabad

The Telangana government has sanctioned funds for the GHMC limits to upgrade roads in Hyderabad. A sum of Rs. 5 million has been set aside for the renovation of the road from Sarojini main road to Pocham Basti.

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'Forest AI Grand Challenge' launched in Telangana for wildlife conservation

The Telangana Artificial Intelligence Mission (T-AIM) has launched the 'Forest AI Grand Challenge' in Telangana. As part of this, the state government will use AI and other new-age technologies in wildlife conservation.

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SHGs, NGOs in Telangana to preserve greenery in 3,000 colonies

GHMC has decided to entrust women SHGs and NGOs with the duty of preserving greenery. The civic authority has split 3,000 colonies into 303 clusters as part of this strategy. A total of Rs. 900 million will be spent annually on the maintenance of greenery in these colonies.

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Delhi

Delhi's West district launches employment scheme for transgenders

Delhi's West district has launched a scheme called 'Trans-Empower' in collaboration with Lalit Group. Under the scheme, members of the transgender community will be given free training and employment opportunities in marketing & communication, IT, etc.

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Delhi LG lays foundation for first bamboo theme park

Delhi LG laid the foundation stone for the city's first bamboo theme park, named 'Baansera', at the Yamuna floodplain. According to DDA, the park will have over 25,000 distinct species of bamboo seedlings spread across 10 hectares.

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NPPA engages Delhi-based policy think tank to study drug pricing policies of various countries

NPPA has engaged Bridge Policy- Delhi-based policy think tank to study pricing policies of various nations and compile information on access to medicines at affordable prices, amid strong indications that the government is considering various methods to lower drug prices.

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Uttar Pradesh

Govt school students in Uttar Pradesh to be trained under Praveen Yojana

The Uttar Pradesh government has launched the Praveen Yojana, under which students at government schools will be trained in 11 trades by the time they complete their high school or intermediate education, and on completion, will be given a skill development certificate.

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Uttar Pradesh's Chandauli to get CoE for vegetable farming

Uttar Pradesh's Chandauli is set to get a CoE for vegetable farming. To be established with an investment of Rs. 136.7 million, the centre will enable farmers of Varanasi and Mirzapur districts to learn advanced technologies for vegetable & fruit cultivation.

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UP's Varanasi admin, Flipkart sign MoU to help local sellers grow their businesses online

Flipkart has signed an MoU with the Varanasi administration in UP to bring local artisans, weavers and people with disabilities to the e-commerce marketplace under the Samarth programme. Local products will be made available to Flipkart's 400 million customers.

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Uttar Pradesh govt creates Rs. 10 bln angel fund to boost startups

An angel fund of Rs. 10 billion has been created to facilitate setting up 10,000 startups across Uttar Pradesh. The incubators aim to boost the state's entrepreneurial talent and provide young entrepreneurs with an inclusive startup ecosystem, that can attract private investment.

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Rajasthan

Rajasthan govt signs MoU to take up 10,000 MW renewable energy projects

The Rajasthan government signed an MoU with the SJVN Limited for undertaking 10,000 MW renewable energy projects in the state. The development would entail an investment of Rs. 500 billion, with an objective to usher in socio-economic development in the state.

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Rajasthan's Churu admin launches 'Computer Sakhi' initiative

With an agenda to empower rural women, the Churu district administration in Rajasthan has launched 'Computer Sakhi' initiative to train about 70,000 people for basic programs and internet. With RS-CIT, the trained women could get jobs at the gram panchayat level.

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West Bengal

Visaka Industries to set up new board plant in West Bengal

Visaka Industries will invest Rs.1.2 billion on setting up a sustainable fibre cement boards plant in Paschim Medinipur district of West Bengal. The new factory will have a manufacturing capacity of 72,000 meters.

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MSME clusters in West Bengal rise to 554

The number of MSME clusters in West Bengal has been rising constantly. Currently, there are 554 MSME clusters, as against just 49 in 2011. Out of the total, 292 of these clusters are MSMEs, while 262 are in the handloom and khadi categories.

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West Bengal govt to invest Rs. 28.4 bln in 3 districts

The West Bengal government is expected to invest Rs. 28.4 billion in three districts of the state in the next two-three years. This will help generate 13,000 employment opportunities. Apart from this, an investment worth over Rs. 82 billion is also expected from large industries.

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Bengal Has Potential To Earn Rs 20,000 Cr From Seafood Export In Next 5 Years

West Bengal has the potential to earn Rs 18,000 crore to Rs 20,000 crore from seafood exports in the next five years and the state government's recent ban on use of 20 anoitibiotics in shrimp aquaculture will go a long way in boosting revenue from the sector.

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Bihar

10 lakh jobs, 20 lakh employment opportunities: Bihar CM Nitish Kumar's announcement during Independence Day address

Bihar CM announced arrangements for additional 10 lakh jobs to the youth of the state. The RJD and JD (U) alliance government aims to provide at least 10 lakh jobs in the government and an additional 10 lakh "employment opportunities" in various sectors.

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BREDA Issues Tender For Solar With Battery Energy Storage Solution In Bihar

BREDA Issue Tender for Engagement of Consulting Firm for providing Consultancy Services for settingup 200 - 250 MW Solar Power Plants with Battery Energy Storage Solution at each Lakhisarai and Bhagalpur districts in the state of Bihar.

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Odisha

Odisha govt sets target to build 300 bridge-cum-check dams this fiscal

The Odisha government has set a target to build as many as 300 additional bridge-cum-check dams in the state during 2022-23, at a cost of more than Rs. 4 billion

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All educational institutions in Odisha to go paperless

All universities and autonomous colleges in Odisha are set to go paperless soon. As part of the process, these institutions will be onboarded on the SAMARTH portal

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Odisha govt approves 10 industrial projects worth Rs. 746.2 bln

The Odisha government has approved 10 major industrial projects worth Rs. 746.2 billion. These projects are expected to generate employment opportunities for over 31,000 people.

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North-East

IOC's latest greenfield LPG bottling plant comes up in Agartala, Tripura

IOC latest greenfield LPG bottling plant has been set up in Agartala, Tripura. The plant has been developed at a cost of Rs. 1.6 billion. It has a rated capacity of 60,000 TMTPA

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Meghalaya Cabinet approves amendment to Fiscal Responsibility & Budget Management Act

The Meghalaya Cabinet approved the amendment to the Meghalaya Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act. It seeks to allow the state to increase its borrowing limit by another 0.5 per cent of the Gross State Domestic Product.

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Assam CM launches NeDFI's micro lending scheme

Assam CM launched the NeDFI micro lending scheme, which is aimed at assisting small enterprises and entrepreneurs of the north-eastern region at an investment of Rs. 1 billion.

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Arunachal Pradesh govt to deploy drones for medicine delivery

The Arunachal Pradesh government has decided to deploy drones for ferrying medicines to the far-flung areas of East Kameng district. The 'Medicine from the Sky' initiative will also be launched by the state government in collaboration with the WEF.

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Jharkhand

3,891 villages in Jharkhand being covered under PMAAGY

A total of 3,891 villages in Jharkhand will be covered under the PMAAGY scheme to ensure an all-inclusive development of the selected villages. The PMAAGY is being implemented in villages which have more than 500 population and 50 per cent of them are ST.

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Jharkhand forest dept kicks off 'save tree mission' by tying Rakhis

Jharkhand forest department has initiated a unique campaign to save trees by tying Rakhis to them in around 1,000 forest villages across 24 districts of the state. The idea is to connect the villagers with environment emotionally and to protect the trees from illegal felling.

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Kerala

KSEB aims to cover 25,000 households in Kerala under rooftop electricity programme

The KSEB has set a target to cover 25,000 households in Kerala under its rooftop electricity programme. A campaign using a variety of tools has been drawn to quickly draw in more visitors, and also to assist people in enrolling in the programme through section offices.

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Kerala govt launches 'workplace childcare centre' project

Kerala health inaugurated the 'workplace childcare centre' project, as part of which, centres will be introduced at workplaces to promote breastfeeding and normalise it in public spaces. The child welfare committee will be in charge of each creche established under the project.

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Kerala govt to provide office space to startups

The Kerala Startup Mission aims to provide office space to startups. For this purpose, the state government is looking for unused houses, flats and rooms that could be offered for rent. The move comes as part of its 'unlocking space bank' initiative.

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Budget introduces mobile app to upload GST invoices

Kerala Finance Minister announced the launch of a mobile application 'Lucky Bill Scheme' for uploading GST invoices. GST Department will be able to examine the return filing status of taxpayers which aims to ensure that taxpayers are abiding by the taxation rules.

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