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Andhra Pradesh

Lulu Group to set up food processing, logistics centres in Andhra Pradesh

UAE-based Lulu Group International will set up modern food processing and logistic centres in Andhra Pradesh along with state-of-the-art Hypermarkets in Vijayawada and a shopping mall with 8-screen imax multiplex in Vizag.

Rayalaseema will be transformed into a green energy hub

CM N. Chandrababu Naidu announced plans to develop the Rayalaseema region into a green energy hub, generating solar and wind power to create jobs for local youth. He also promised the completion of the Polavaram project to supply water to the region, along with finishing pending projects like Gundrevula and Guru Raghavendra.

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APBDICL aims to complete Phase-I of Nakkapalli bulk drug park by march 2026

APBDICL, a subsidiary of APIIC, aims to complete the first phase of the Bulk Drug Park at Nakkapalli by March 2026. APIIC has allocated 2,000 acres of land for the project, estimated to cost INR1,875 crore, across five villages.

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CM inaugurates Vakulaamatha centralised kitchen on Tirumala hills

Andhra CM N Chandrababu Naidu inaugurated the Vakulaamatha centralised kitchen on Tirumala hills. It has been established by the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD). The CM also launched the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams calendar and diary for 2025.

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Bihar

Bihar govt announces reduction in value-added tax on CNG and PNG

The Bihar government announced a reduction in VAT on compressed natural gas (CNG) and piped natural gas (PNG), used for domestic purposes and motor vehicles, by 7.5 per cent - from 20 to 12.5 per cent - in the state. The government also announced the reduction of VAT on PNG, used by industrial units manufacturing goods, from 20 per cent to 5 per cent.

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Bihar CM Nitish Kumar unveils logo, mascot for Women's Asian Champions Trophy-2024

Bihar CM Nitish Kumar unveiled the logo and mascot, Gudiya, for the Women's Asian Champions Trophy-2024 in Rajgir. The event, occurring in November, is a joint venture by Hockey India and the Bihar government. Six countries, including India and China, will participate. The mascot symbolizes women's empowerment and the state's cultural heritage.

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Chattisgarh

Centre approves INR11,000 crore for development of roads in Chhattisgarh

Union road transport and highways minister Nitin Gadkari approved INR11,000 crore for the construction and development of four major national highways. The four main projects include Urga-Katghora bypass (NH-149B), Basna to Sarangarh (Manikpur) feeder route, Sarangarh to Raigarh feeder route.

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Chhattisgarh govt aims to procure 160 mn MT paddy in current kharif season

The Chhattisgarh government has set a target of procuring 160 lakh metric tonnes of paddy for the 2024-25 kharif marketing season. Paddy will be purchased from registered farmers at a rate of 21 quintals per acre at the support price. All procurement centers have been instructed to arrange electronic weighing machines.

Gujarat

Gujarat leads with 14.7 GW solar capacity, eyes 31.9 GW hybrid projects

Gujarat is leading India's solar energy push with an installed capacity of 14.7 GW, making it the second-highest solar capacity state in the country. The state's renewable energy capacity stands at 27.8 GW, and future plans aim to add 31.9 GW of solar-wind hybrid projects, said Arun Mahesh Babu

Amit Shah to launch several projects during his two-day Gujarat visit

Union Home Minister Amit Shah will be on a two-day visit to Gujarat, during which He will inaugurate a tele-rehabilitation centre at Sola Civil Hospital, a newly-built vegetable market, and a government primary school in Bhadaj area, Shah is scheduled to address a gathering in Bhadaj area after inaugurating and laying the foundation stone for various projects of the Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation.

Interarch Building Products acquires land in Gujarat

Interarch Building Products announced the acquisition of 51,926 sq. mts. of land in Gujarat. The land has been procured at an investment of INR 7 crore. This strategic move is part of the company's long-term vision to expand its national footprint and meet the increasing demand for high-quality Pre-engineered buildings across the country.

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Cognizant announces plans to establish techfin centre at GIFT City in 2025

Global tech firm Cognizant announced its plans to establish a 'techfin centre' at Gujarat International Finance Tec-City (GIFT City), Gandhinagar. The new facility, set to launch in February 2025, will serve as a strategic hub for delivering advanced technology solutions for clients in the banking, financial services, and insurance (BFSI) industries

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Haryana

GreenH Electrolysis Unveils 1 MW PEM Electrolyser in Haryana

GreenH Electrolysis, a joint venture between H2B2 Electrolysis Technologies and GR Promoter Group, has inaugurated its first 1 MW Proton Exchange Membrane (PEM) electrolyser at its manufacturing facility in Jhajjar, Haryana. The electrolyser is set to operate continuously, producing around 430 kg of hydrogen per day at a delivery pressure of 40 bar (g), meeting ISO 14687 standards for Fuel Cell applications.

Bhumika Group expands footprint in Gurugram with new commercial project

Realty firm Bhumika Group has unveiled plans for a significant commercial project in Gurugram. The project, primarily focused on retail spaces, is expected to generate around INR 300 crore in revenue. Bhumika Group has secured 8.5 lakh square feet land parcel on MG Road, Gurugram, for this new development.

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Jharkhand

PM Modi inaugurates GAIL's first CBG Plant in Jharkhand

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated GAIL's first CBG Plant in Ranchi, Jharkhand, which processes 150 tonnes of municipal solid waste daily to produce 5,000 kg of Bio-CNG and 25 tons of bio-manure. The plant aims to fuel over 600 vehicles daily, promoting clean energy and local employment.

PM Modi unveils projects worth INR83,700 crore from Jharkhand's Hazaribaq

Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveils development projects worth over INR83,700 crore in Jharkhand, including the Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan for tribal development. Projects cover health, education, livelihood infrastructure, and electrification for marginalized communities, benefiting over 5 crore tribals in 549 districts across 30 states and Union Territories.

Jharkhand CM inaugurates Kantatoli flyover in Ranchi

Jharkhand Chief Minister (CM) Hemant Soren inaugurated the Kantatoli flyover in Ranchi. The 2.4-km-long flyover has been built at an estimated cost of INR 220 crore, utilising 486 precast segmental boxes supported by 42 spans and featuring around 125 electric poles installed along its length. Read more

Jharkhand CM inaugurates state's first transport hub in Ranchi

Jharkhand Chief Minister (CM) Hemant Soren inaugurated the state's first transport hub on the outskirts of Ranchi. The development aims to alleviate traffic congestion in the city. The hub, located in the Sukurhuttu area of the district's Kanke block, has been built on 16.4 hectares of land at a cost of approximately INR110 crore.

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Himachal Pradesh

Himachal Pradesh PWD dept approves road projects worth INR 290 crore

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ADB to lend USD 162 million to HP for tourism development project

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) will be lending USD 162 million to the Himachal Pradesh (HP) government for a sustainable and inclusive tourism development project. The loan will help the state government build better tourist infrastructure, promote cultural centres and renovate heritage sites.

Karnataka

Karnataka govt approves projects worth INR4,071.11 crore investment

The State-Level Single Window Clearance Committee (SLSWCC) approved 88 projects worth INR 4,071.11 crore investments in the state. These projects are expected to generate employment for approximately 10,585 people across the state.

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Bengaluru Metro's INR15,611 crore phase III kicks off

The Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL) has taken a significant step forward in the Phase III expansion of the Namma Metro project. The geotechnical survey has commenced in KHB Colony, Magadi Road, where the Orange Line of Namma Metro is planned. Phase III will introduce two new elevated metro lines designed to ease traffic congestion and reduce commuting times for residents.

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Bengaluru's Whitefield to get new 20,000 sqm convention centre

Bengaluru's Whitefield area is set to welcome a state-of-the-art exhibition hall-cumconvention centre, boosting the city's reputation as a major hub for business events. The Karnataka Trade Promotion Organization (KTPO) plans to develop a 20,000-square-metre facility that will be connected to the existing exhibition halls in the area.

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Karnataka launches GCC policy

The Karnataka government unveiled the draft GCC Policy 2024-2029, targeting 500 new centres by 2029. This makes Karnataka the first state in the country to launch a dedicated GCC policy to attract investments in the growing sector. The 2024-2029 policy aims to create 3.5 lakh new jobs and generate an economic output of \$50 billion.

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Kerala

Kerala Launches India's first supercapacitor manufacturing facility

Kerala's Chief Minister, Pinarayi Vijayan, recently inaugurated India's first supercapacitor manufacturing facility at KCCL in Kallyassery, Kannur. The new supercapacitor plant was developed with help from the ISRO. It cost INR42 crore to build and is expected to strengthen Kerala's status as a major hub for electronics. The plant will also benefit industries like defence and electric vehicles, which rely on advanced technology.

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Tata Group likely to set up semi-conductor plant in Malappuram

Malappuram district in Kerala is set to play a crucial role in Tata Group's ambitious INR 91,000 crore semiconductor project, the semiconductor plants are expected to generate around 100,000 job opportunities, incorporating advanced artificial intelligence-based technologies to drive innovation and efficiency in production.

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FlixBus soon to enter Kerala with new routes to Kochi and Alappuzha

FlixBus India, services in Kerala are expected to launch later this year. The company will kick off its operations in the state with four buses, running two routes: Bengaluru-Kochi and Bengaluru-Alappuzha, the company's primary focus will be on major cities such as Kochi, Alappuzha, Thrissur, and Palakkad. Each route will see one departure per direction, offering Kerala's residents a new, cost-effective travel option.

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Rajasthan

Tata Power signs MoU with Rajasthan government

Tata Group said that it has signed a MoU with the Rajasthan government for a 10-year plan totalling nearly INR 1.2 lakh crore with aims to support Rajasthan's transformation into a power surplus state, providing 24/7 clean, affordable, and reliable power supply with investments in renewable energy projects and manufacturing, transmission, distribution, nuclear power, rooftop installations, and EV charging.

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Avaada Group to invest INR 1 lakh crore in green energy projects in Rajasthan

Avaada Group has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the government in a joint commitment to accelerate Rajasthan's green energy initiatives and enhance the state's renewable energy infrastructure.

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REC signs INR3 lakh crore financing agreement with Rajasthan government

State-owned REC has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Rajasthan government to finance power and non-power infrastructure projects worth INR 3 lakh crore. The financing will be provided over six years, increased from INR 20,000 crore to INR 50,000 crore annually up to 2030.

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Madhya Pradesh

Madhya Pradesh RIC attracts over INR23,000 crore investments

Madhya Pradesh received investment proposals worth over INR 23,000 crore at the Regional Industry Conclave (RIC) held in Sagar district. The proposed investments will generate around 28,000 jobs, with a maximum investment of INR 6,800 crore to be made in the renewable energy sector.

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Madhya Pradesh: Ujjain to launch its first IT Park with INR67 crore investment

The Madhya Pradesh Development Corporation (MPIDC) is set to develop an IT Park in Ujjain over 2.16 hectares of land in two phases, with the first phase expected to cost Rs 67 crore. The park will feature an incubation centre, research facility, and spaces for IT companies and startups, aimed at attracting local youth and technology players.

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INR14,700 crore allotted to Madhya Pradesh for rail development

Madhya Pradesh has received Rs 14,700 crore for railway development. The Jaura to Kailaras route has been converted to broad gauge. The Gwalior-Sheopurkalan track is under conversion, to be completed by July 2025. The project aims to boost socio-economic development, industrial growth

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Maharashtra

PM Modi Dedicates Maharashtra's Bidkin Industrial Area to Nation

The Bidkin Industrial Area (BIA), a 7,855-acre project in Maharashtra, was dedicated to the nation by Prime Minister Narendra Modi ji on September 29. The industrial area is expected to attract over INR 56,200 crore in investments and create over 30,000 jobs.

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PM Modi to inaugurate various projects worth over INR11,200 crore in Maharashtra

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate and lay the foundation for various projects in Maharashtra worth over INR 11,200 crore. Key projects include the Pune Metro Rail Project (Phase-1), Bidkin Industrial Area, Solapur Airport, and a memorial for Krantijyoti Savitribai Phule's First Girls' School at Bhidewada.

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Maharashtra govt signs MoU to boost textile industry in Wardha

The Maharashtra government has signed an MoU with OFAB Tech Private Limited with an aim to invest INR 750 crore in the textile industry in Wardha. This initiative is expected to create around 15,000 jobs in the Karanja area of the district. The agreement is being seen as a key step in promoting industrial growth in lesser-developed areas of the state.

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Punjab

5 ITIs in Punjab to be upgraded into skill centres of excellence

As many as five industrial training institutes (ITI) in Punjab will be upgraded into skill centres of excellence. These are located in Ludhiana, Patiala, Mohali, Sunam and Lalru. The aim is to transform the institutes by introducing cutting-edge technology and infrastructure.

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703 MT of paddy bought in grain markets of Punjab

Over 703 metric tonnes (MT) of paddy was bought in grain markets of Punjab. As per The Times of India, it was the first day of procurement. Food & civil supplies minister Lal Chand Kataruchak appealed to farmers to harvest only mature and dry crops, so that moisture is within specified limit to ensure produce is procured expeditiously.

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Telangana

Telangana Aims for 20,000 MW Green Energy by 2030

Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka Mallu said Telangana is progressing with a target to generate 20,000 MW of green energy by 2030, there are substantial opportunities for semiconductor industries in the State.

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Telangana govt approves construction of flyovers and underpasses around KBR Park

The Telangana government has approved the construction of flyovers and underpasses around the KBR Park. The move aims to alleviate traffic congestion and create signal-free routes towards Madhapur, Hi-Tec City, Gachibowli and Kondapur. The project will be executed by the GHMC in two phases, costing INR820 crore.

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TGMC to implement digital medical registration system for doctors

The Telangana Medical Council (TGMC) is set to implement a digital medical registration system for doctors in Telangana. The aim is to transition towards a paperless process. It will ensure public health and safety by maintaining professional standards.

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Telangana CM announces efforts to establish Hyderabad as global sports hub

Telangana Chief Minister (CM) A Revanth Reddy has announced efforts to establish Hyderabad as a global sports hub. He has urged young people to avoid drugs and focus on sports to help raise India's profile internationally.

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Odisha

Odisha aims for INR5 Lakh crore investment in 5 Years

The Odisha government has set a target of attracting an investment of INR 5 lakh crore to the state in the next five years, state's priority is to seek investment in food processing, IT, chemicals, petrochemicals and other allied sectors ,within the first 100 days of his government, the state has already attracted investment of INR 45,000 crore.

Energy department approved INR 4,671.81 crore in the RE sector

the single window committee of the energy department approved investment proposals worth INR 4,671.81 crore in the renewable energy. A total of 749.5 megawatt of renewable energy projects have been approved which includes a 600 MW pumped storage plant (PSP) by Odisha Hydro Power Corporation Ltd in Kalahandi.

BPIA's in Odisha's Bhubaneswar to get new terminal

The Biju Patnaik International Airport (BPIA) in Odisha's Bhubaneswar is set to get a new terminal. This will come as part of the mega expansion plans at the airport to meet the requirements of domestic and international air travellers over the next decade. The construction work on the new terminal will be completed within two years.

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Tamil Nadu

Tamil Nadu CM inaugurates 19 water management projects

Chief Minister M.K. Stalin on Friday inaugurated 19 water management projects across eight districts in Tamil Nadu, enhancing the state's water infrastructure. The projects, implemented by the Water Resources Department at a cost of INR89 crore, include three major check dams in Coimbatore and Tirupur districts, which were inaugurated via videoconferencing from Chennai, with Water Resources Minister Duraimurugan in attendance.

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Union Cabinet approves TN's Chennai Metro Rail Project Phase-II project

Union Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi, approved Tamil Nadu's (TN) Chennai Metro Rail Project Phase-II project. It encompasses three major corridors spanning a total of 118.9-km and will feature 128 stations & multi-modal integration at 21 locations. The cost of the development has been pegged at INR63,240 crore.

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Centre approves construction of bitumen road at TN's Neknamalai hillock

The Union ministry of environment, forest and climate change has approved the construction of a 4.9-km of bitumen road connecting the Kamalakuttai and Neknamalai tribal hamlets atop Neknamalai hillock in Tamil Nadu (TN). The development aims to provide better access to basic facilities for the tribal communities.

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North-East

21 newly-created co-districts inaugurated in Assam

As many as 21 newly-created co-districts in Assam were inaugurated by different ministers. Notably, the state government has created 39 new co-districts in the state in a bid to take the administration to the doorstep of the citizens. Assam is the first state to set up codistricts which will serve as smaller administrative units below the district level.

Meghalaya set to get its first private medical college

Meghalaya is set to get its first private medical college. This came after the National Medical Council (NMC) approved the PA Sangma International Medical College of the University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya (USTM).

Meghalaya CM launches GREEN Meghalaya plus scheme at Tura

Meghalaya Chief Minister (CM) Conrad K Sangma launched the GREEN Meghalaya plus scheme at Tura in West Garo Hills district. The scheme will provide an incentive of up to INR 20,000 per hectare per year to communities and individuals for the conservation of forest cover. The initiative aims to include an additional 50,000 hectares of forest cover under conservation.

Tripura CM lays foundation stone for Prime Minister-Unity Mall at Hapania

Tripura Chief Minister (CM) Manik Saha laid the foundation stone for the Prime Minister-Unity Mall at Hapania in West Tripura district. A sum of INR150 crore would be spent on the construction of the mall. He said that such malls would be established in all 60 Assembly constituencies in the state. The aim is to promote and market local products.

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PM lays foundation stones for 4 compressed bio-gas plants in Assam

Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi laid foundation stones for four compressed bio-gas (CBG) plants in Assam. The move is aimed at promoting a sustainable and eco-friendly energy landscape. The CBG plants will be constructed by the Oil India Limited (OIL) in Guwahati, Jorhat, Sivasagar and Tinsukia.

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Meghalaya govt sanctions AAI proposal to upgrade Umroi Airport

The Meghalaya government has sanctioned the Airports Authority of India's (AAI) proposal to upgrade the Umroi Airport. The Meghalaya High Court (HC) heard a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) connected with the airport issue. Read more

Mizoram CM inaugurates 3D Dental Laboratory Serchhip College

Mizoram Chief Minister (CM) Pu Lalduhoma inaugurated a state-of-the-art 3D Dental Laboratory Serchhip College. This significant addition aims to enhance dental services in the region, particularly for patients requiring dentures. It will serve Serchhip and is part of a broader initiative to install similar facilities across all north-eastern states.

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Uttar Pradesh

Uttar Pradesh advances solar energy with major 450 MW Bundelkhand Solar Park Projects

The Uttar Pradesh government has approved the development of solar parks in the state under the new energy policy. Two significant solar projects in Bundelkhand are expected to cover over 1,500 hectares of land. These solar parks will contribute to the state's renewable energy production by generating substantial electricity. The decision aligns with the state's goal to reach 22,000 MW of solar energy production by 2026-2027.

Uttar Pradesh govt to develop centralised monitoring system for ULBs

The Uttar Pradesh government is developing a centralised monitoring system to evaluate the progress of projects being carried out by urban local bodies (ULBs) in the state. Tasked with implementing 13 state-run and four central-supported schemes & projects, the urban development department will assess the ongoing work with the help of the dashboard. Read more

Uttar Pradesh govt to develop global capability centres

The Uttar Pradesh government has initiated the process of developing global capability centres (GCCs) on the lines of Karnataka. These centres will serve as innovation hubs for key business functions such as product development, artificial intelligence (AI), data analytics and cybersecurity. The aim is to transform the state into a GCC super hub to achieve the goal of USD 1 trillion economy.

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UP govt allocates INR890 crore to construction on Chilla elevated road

The Uttar Pradesh government has allocated INR890 crore to restart construction on the long-delayed Chilla elevated road that will connect Mayur Vihar in Delhi with the Mahamaya Flyover in Noida. The funds are slightly lower than the INR930 crore requested by the Uttar Pradesh State Bridge Corporation Limited (UPSBCL).

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Uttarakhand

Uttarakhand to get 480 MW power from central pool

The Centre has increased the power quota allocated to Uttarakhand by 180 MW. This is in addition to 300 MW allocated earlier, taking the total to 480 MW. The move will enable people of the state to get uninterrupted electricity even during winters.

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Uttarakhand govt to introduce time-of-day power tariffs

The Uttarakhand government has decided to introduce time-of-day power tariffs for its 1.5 million electricity consumers, becoming the first state in India to do so. The information was shared by Uttarakhand Power Corporation Limited managing director Anil Kumar.

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Union Territories

Puducherry admin launches projects to enhance irrigation and drinking water supply

The Puducherry administration has launched several projects to enhance irrigation and drinking water supply in the union territory (UT). UT public works minister K Lakshminarayanan has announced plans to construct a check dam on the Sankarabarani River at Sellipet-Pillaiyarkuppam.

Delhi government to extend EV policy till March 2025

The Delhi government is going to extend its electric vehicle (EV) policy till March 2025. It is likely to be the last extension before the introduction of the EV policy 2.0. Under the EV policy, two-wheelers receive a subsidy of INR 5,000 per kWh of battery capacity (maximum INR 30,000) and three-wheelers INR 30,000 per vehicle.

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Delhi CM approves incentive scheme to promote scrapping of old vehicles

Delhi Chief Minister (CM) Atishi Marlena has approved an incentive scheme to promote scrapping of old vehicles. The government will incentivise those who opt for the scrapping of their old vehicles, through rebate in motor-vehicle tax on buying new vehicles within three years.

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West Bengal

West Bengal Cabinet Approves 660-Megawatt Supercritical Power Plant

The West Bengal Cabinet has approved the establishment of a 660-megawatt supercritical electricity plant at Sagardighi in the Murshidabad district. This development marks a milestone as it will be the first supercritical power plant in eastern India. Equipped with the latest machinery and technology, the plant is anticipated to be operational by March of next year, which is expected to enhance the state's power generation capacity substantially.

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INR60,000 crore investment opportunity by railways in West Bengal

Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw announced a INR60,000-crore investment opportunity by the railways in West Bengal. He emphasized the need for state cooperation to complete 61 pending projects.

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Union minister inaugurates extension of platforms at Sealdah in West Bengal

Union railways, information & broadcasting minister Ashwini Vaishnaw inaugurated the extension of platforms at Sealdah Railway Station in West Bengal. The platform will be able to accommodate 12-coach electric multiple unit (EMU) trains. This would enhance daily commuter capacity.

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