



# Regional Developments

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## Andhra Pradesh

### AP govt approves 19 projects promising investment of Rs.285.4 bln

The Andhra Pradesh government approved as many as 19 projects promising an investment of Rs.285.4 billion at a meeting of the state Industrial Investments Board on 19 June 2025. The development is aimed at strategic move to drive growth in the backward regions.

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### Andhra Pradesh govt to extend additional incentives for investment in backward regions

The Andhra Pradesh government has decided to extend additional incentives to industries that invest in backward regions. The information was shared by Chief Minister (CM) N Chandrababu Naidu on 19 June 2025. Establishing industries would spur development in these regions, create employment for locals and promote prosperity across the state.

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### APSRTC, TTD add buses to their existing fleet of vehicles in Andhra Pradesh

The APSRTC and Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanam (TTD) have added additional buses to their existing fleet of vehicles for transporting pilgrims from one location to another. This aims to enhance the convenience of devotees visiting Tirumala.

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## Bihar

### Bihar govt grants approval for 5-star hotel at Patliputra Ashok site

The Bihar government has granted approval for developing a five-star hotel at the Patliputra Ashok site. The hotel will be developed under the public-private partnership (PPP) mode. It will replace the existing Hotel Patliputra Ashok.

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### Bihar govt hikes pension for elderly, disabled and widowed women

Bihar has hiked the pension for the elderly, disabled and widowed women under the Social Security Pension Scheme. It has been increased to Rs.1,100 per month from Rs.400 per month.

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### PM inaugurates, lays foundation for projects worth Rs.52 bln in Bihar

PM Narendra Modi inaugurated and laid the foundation stone for a slew of development projects worth Rs.52 billion. This has come in an effort to ensure the infrastructural, economic and social transformation of the state. As part of it, the PatliputraGorakhpur Vande Bharat Express has been launched to the first-ever export of a Marhowra-built locomotive to Africa.

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## Chhattisgarh

### Chhattisgarh CM flags off 'Gajrath Yatra' to reduce human-elephant conflicts

The drive aims to reduce human-elephant conflicts in the state and spread awareness about wildlife conservation. As part of the initiative, awareness about elephant behaviour, safety measures and co-existence will be conveyed to people in schools, gram panchayats.

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### Chhattisgarh Cabinet takes slew of decisions

These include extension of certain educational benefits to communities that have been technically excluded from the SC & ST lists, state financial aid for the installation of rooftop solar plants under the Pradhan Mantri Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana and formation of the Chhattisgarh Tiger Foundation Society under the Wildlife Protection Act.

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### Chhattisgarh govt to revive Bodhghat irrigation project at Rs.490 bln

The state has decided to revive the Bodhghat irrigation project in the Bastar region. The project, located on the Indravati River in Dantewada district, promises permanent irrigation solutions and electricity generation, benefiting Dantewada, Bijapur & Sukma districts.

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## Gujarat

### Gujarat CM approves Rs.33.9 bln for public utility enhancement works

CM Bhupendra Patel gave in-principle approval to allocate a total of Rs.33.9 billion to three newly-formed municipal corporations, Surat Municipal Corporation and two municipalities for various public utility enhancement works. As part of this, Rs.32.6 billion has been granted to the Surat Municipal Corporation for physical infrastructure development.

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### L&T secures land in Gujarat for green hydrogen, ammonia projects

L&T has secured a land in Kandla for development of green hydrogen and green ammonia. The govt. is actively promoting green hydrogen as a clean energy source, with initiatives like National Green Hydrogen Mission and pilot projects focused on its use in transportation.

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### Gujarat targets ₹35,000 cr investments through new Gujarat Electronics Component Manufacturing Policy-2025

This policy aims to establish upstream industries that could play a role in the state's nascent semiconductor ecosystem where four semiconductor projects are under various stages of construction.

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## Goa

### Goa govt launches Heritage Policy to preserve heritage assets

The Goa government launched the Goa Heritage Policy. The policy aims to preserve both tangible and intangible heritage assets. Sacred groves, khazan lands, wetlands, rivers, tidal agro-ecosystems and biodiversity zones will be protected under the policy. It will also include the gaanvkari comunidade system and village governance.

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### Goa govt plans to set up Global Capability Centre, CoE in AI & ML

The Goa government is planning to set up a Global Capability Centre and Centre of Excellence (CoE) in AI & machine learning (ML). The information was shared by state Chief Minister (CM) Pramod Sawant on 20 June 2025. He said that the Global Capability Centre will support information technology (IT) firms, startups and new industries.

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### Goa govt launches mobile passport van to serve citizens in remote areas

The Goa regional passport office has launched a mobile passport van to serve citizens in remote locations. The move is part of the state government's commitment to bringing passport services closer to the people. It aims to help applicants who face geographical or mobility challenges in reaching the passport office.

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## Haryana

### Haryana govt asked to notify reserved forest area in Morni Hills by 31 Dec

The Punjab & Haryana High Court (HC) has asked the Haryana government to identify and notify reserved forest area in Morni Hills by 31 December 2025. The area was formerly a part of the Sirmaur district in Himachal Pradesh and got included in Haryana later.

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### DPIIT recognises 8,800 startups in Haryana

The Department for Promotion of Industry & Internal Trade (DPIIT) has recognised over 8,800 startups in Haryana. With this, Haryana has emerged as the seventh-largest state in the country in terms of DPIIT-recognised startups.

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### Biggest Gati Shakti Multi-Modal cargo terminal inaugurated in Manesar

Union railway minister Ashwini Vaishnaw and CM Nayab Singh Saini inaugurated the country's biggest Gati Shakti Multi-Modal cargo terminal in Manesar. It has been constructed at a cost of Rs.117 billion under PM Narendra Modi's Gati Shakti National Master Plan.

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## Himachal Pradesh

### State govt restores quarterly, annual disbursal of grants-in-aid, subsidies

The Himachal Pradesh government restored the previous system of disbursing grants-in-aid and subsidies under state-funded schemes on a quarterly or annual basis. This has reversed the state government's 8 August 2023 order that had enforced monthly financial releases.

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### HP govt notifies Refund Deposit Scheme to curb plastic pollution

The Himachal Pradesh government has notified a Refund Deposit Scheme to curb plastic pollution. Under this, consumers will pay an extra charge on plastic-packaged products like chips, chocolates & toffees and get the additional amount refunded by returning the plastic wrappers at designated deposit centres.

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### Himachal Pradesh govt to establish 6 milk processing and chilling plants

The Himachal Pradesh government is contemplating establishing six new milk processing plants and milk chilling plants. These will come up in Jhalera in Una, Jhaladi in Hamirpur, Nahan in Sirmaur, Mohal in Kullu, Nalagarh in Solan and Rohru in Shimla.

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## Karnataka

### Karnataka govt to provide Rs.800 mln for rejuvenating Bellandur Lake

The Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) has informed that the Karnataka government has promised to provide Rs.800 million to address the fund crunch for rejuvenating the Bellandur Lake in Bengaluru. By May 2025, only 70 per cent of the planned removal of over 3.2 million cubic metres of silt had been completed.

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### Karnataka's BTMC launches new express services and new temple tour route

Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation has launched express services and a temple tour route under the 'Ghati Isha Foundation' package. Besides this, the BMTC disbursed Rs.15 million in group insurance compensation to families of deceased employees.

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### Karnataka may hike stamp duty due to revenue shortfall

The Karnataka government is considering increasing stamp duty by one per cent to tackle a revenue shortfall in property registrations. Buyers currently pay 6.6 per cent in total fees, which may rise to 7.6 per cent. Stamp duty was last revised in 2013. In the June 2025 quarter, the department collected Rs.45.6 billion which is 35 per cent below the Rs.70 billion target.

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## Kerala

### Kerala govt inks pacts with 47 universities to facilitate student higher education

The Kerala government has signed agreements with 47 universities from 40 countries to facilitate student higher education, research and faculty exchange programmes. These include universities from countries such as the United States of America (USA), United Kingdom (UK), South Korea, Russia, Australia, Ireland, Switzerland and Germany.

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### Kerala govt to come up with hub-and-spoke model for development of it is

Kerala is planning to come up with a hub-and-spoke model for infrastructure development of industrial training institutes (ITIs) in the state. The information was shared by state general education minister V Sivankutty. As part of the development, four nodal ITIs at Thiruvananthapuram, Ernakulam, Kozhikode and Palakkad will be developed as hub ITIs.

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### Kerala govt to form drug de-addiction anonymous groups

The Kerala local-self govt. department has directed block panchayats to form de-addiction anonymous groups to address the increasing cases of drug addiction in rural areas. This has come following the model of alcoholics anonymous groups. The state has directed block panchayats to form a sufficient number of such groups by the end of Dec 2025

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## Madhya Pradesh

### CM transfers Rs.900 mln for operation of gaushalas

CM Mohan Yadav transferred Rs.900 million for the operation of gaushalas. He has assured to make the state the national dairy capital. Besides this, the state animal husbandry and dairy department will be renamed as the animal, dairy & gaupalan department.

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### MPARC to ink pact with IIPA to demarcate boundaries of districts, tehsils in MP

The MP Administrative Reforms Commission (MPARC) has decided to ink a pact with the IIPA for demarcating boundaries of districts, tehsils and blocks. The commission will collect data with the help of IIPA and submit a report to the state government.

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### Tourist footfall in MP rises by 19.6% in 2024

The number of tourists arriving in MP increased by 19.6 per cent to 134.1 million visitors in 2024. According to Shiv Shekhar Shukla, MD of the Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board (MPTB), the total tourist footfall was 50.6 per cent higher when compared to 2019 levels.

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## Maharashtra

### Maharashtra govt extends deadline for vehicles to get HSRP by 15 Aug

The Maharashtra government has extended the deadline for vehicles to get high-security registration plates (HSRP) fitted by 15 August 2025. Failure to comply with the extended deadline would result in enforcement action.

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### Maharashtra CM lays foundation stones for several projects in Jalgaon

CM Devendra Fadnavis laid foundation stones for the 50-bedded Sub-District Hospital's main building and residential quarters at Dharangaon in Jalgaon today. The development will help improve healthcare services for the local population. The CM further inaugurated the Krantikari Khajyaji Naik Memorial.

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### Maharashtra govt to establish independent research centre

The Maharashtra government has decided to set up an independent research centre at the Mumbai-based P L Deshpande Maharashtra Kala Academy. The aim is to facilitate in-depth academic study of the state's experimental arts. This centre will serve as a hub for scholarly research.

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## Odisha

### PM launches 105 development projects worth Rs.186 bln in Odisha

PM Narendra Modi launched 105 development projects worth Rs.186 billion in Odisha. The projects launched include drinking water & irrigation, health infrastructure, rural roads & bridges, national highways and railway infrastructure. He also unveiled the 'Odisha Vision Document' and flagged off new trains during his visit to the state.

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### Odisha govt announces hike in the material cost under PM POSHAN

The Odisha government announced a substantial hike in the material cost under the Pradhan Mantri Poshan Shakti Nirman (PM POSHAN) scheme. The aim is to improve nutrition among school children across the state.

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### Odisha govt to set up agriculture college in Balangir

The Odisha government has decided to set up an agriculture college in Balangir, making it the fourth such institute under the Odisha University of Agriculture and Technology (OUAT). The other three colleges are in Bhubaneswar, Bhawanipatna and Chipilima.

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## North-East

### Tripura CM inaugurates 19 projects worth Rs.320 mln

Tripura Chief Minister (CM) Manik Saha inaugurated 19 projects worth Rs.320 million in South Tripura district. These include six school buildings of BK Institution & Dakshin Sonaichari HS School in Belonia, Kalashi HS School & Baikhoara English Medium HS School in Santirbazar and Manu Bankul HS School & Shrinagar HS School in Sabroom.

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### Arunachal Pradesh govt signs MoU with IRMA to transform governance

The Arunachal Pradesh government has signed an MoU with Institute of Rural Management Anand to transform its village-level governance and development programmes. The collaboration aims to bridge the gap between academic expertise and ground-level implementation of rural development schemes across remote villages & tribal communities.

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### Assam to develop SOP to implement provision of Cattle Preservation Act

The Assam govt. has decided to develop a SOP to implement the provision of the Assam Cattle Preservation Act. The Act restricts the slaughter of cow and eating of beef within 5-km radius of temples, 'namghars' and other religious sites.

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### Assam CM inaugurates district jail at Kajalgaon

CM Himanta Biswa Sarma has inaugurated the newly-constructed district jail at Kajalgaon. This prison complex, designed with an emphasis on rehabilitation and humane treatment, represents a significant advancement in the state's correctional infrastructure.

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### Assam has potential to generate 13,428 MW of electricity: iFOREST

Assam has the potential to generate 13,428 MW of electricity and create up to 180,000 green jobs by harnessing rooftop solar energy. This was revealed by a new study released by environmental think tank iFOREST, titled 'Rooftop Solar Potential in Assam'. The study has been launched in collaboration with the Assam Power Distribution Company Limited.

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### Tripura CM inaugurates series of development projects

CM Manik Saha inaugurated a series of development projects. They are focused on improving education, healthcare and administrative services in the region. As part of it, a new double-storied school building was unveiled at the BK Institute in Belonia. The upgraded facility includes additional classrooms, a science laboratory, a library, toilets and modern sanitary & drainage systems

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## Punjab

### Paddy transplantation in Punjab completed on 35% area

Paddy transplantation in Punjab has been completed on just 35 per cent of the total area expected to be cultivated this kharif season. Farmers have delayed transplantation despite the state government having allowed it from 1 June 2025. The Punjab Agricultural University (PAU), Ludhiana, has urged farmers to accelerate transplantation as the ideal window for short-duration varieties closes by 10 July 2025.

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### Punjab govt approves 14-point Integrated State Water Plan

The state has approved a 14-point Integrated State Water Plan. The plan focuses on conserving groundwater and increasing the use of canal water for various purposes. This will be achieved by reducing groundwater demand, lowering agricultural water usage, improving irrigation techniques and replenishing & artificially augmenting groundwater.

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### Punjab govt introduces bond policy for MBBS, BDS students

The move aims to address the shortage of doctors in state-run health institutions. The policy mandates that students either serve in government healthcare facilities for two years after completing their degrees or pay a bond of Rs.2 million.

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## Rajasthan

### State commission approves tariffs for 1 GWh battery energy storage systems

The Rajasthan Electricity Regulatory Commission (RERC) has approved the tariffs for 500 MW/1000 MWh standalone Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS). The approved tariffs range from ₹221,000 (\$2,561)/MW/month to ₹224,000 (\$2,597)/MW/month.

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### Rajasthan brings new rules to develop the mining-affected areas

A majority of Rajasthan's earmarked funds for mining-affected areas will be used for works like drinking water distribution, environmental protection and health facilities. The District Mineral Foundation Trust (DMFT) will use 70 per cent of funds in "high-priority areas.

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### Rajasthan government transfers 62 IAS Officers, 11 Collectors

The Rajasthan govt. has transferred 62 IAS officers, including eight Additional Chief Secretaries and 11 district collectors. In addition, 21 IAS officers have been given additional charge of departments.

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## Tamil Nadu

### 3,375 MT of paddy procured in Virudhunagar, Tamil Nadu

A total of 3,375 metric tonnes (MT) of paddy has been procured from farmers in Virudhunagar district of Tamil Nadu. An amount of Rs.58.3 million has been given to farmers for their produce.

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### Tamil Nadu CM inaugurates 4 arts & science colleges

CM MK Stalin inaugurated four arts & science colleges in the state. These will come up in KV Kuppam in Vellore district, Thuraiyur in Tiruchi district, Ulundurpettai in Kallakurichi district and Chengam in Tiruvannamalai district.

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### Sanitation certificates can be obtained on Tamil Nadu e-Sevai portal

Sanitation certificates can now be obtained on the TN e-Sevai portal. All institutions are required to apply or renew certificates exclusively through the portal. This initiative aims to digitise the process and address delays & administrative burdens associated with the existing manual system.

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## Telangana

### State govt extends deadline for regularising unauthorised layouts under LRS

The Telangana government has extended the deadline for regularising unauthorised layouts under the Layout Regularisation Scheme (LRS) with a 25 per cent rebate on fees until 30 June 2025. As many as 19,485 applicants in the district, who have not yet paid their LRS fees, have been asked to take advantage of this extended opportunity.

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### Telangana seeks Centre's approval to utilise 1,500 tmcft of water from 2 rivers

The Telangana government has sought the Union government's approval to utilise 1,500 thousand million cubic feet (tmcft) of water from the Godavari and Krishna rivers to boost irrigation in the state.

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### Hyderabad to get Rs.31.6 billion luxury residential project

Hyderabad is set to get a Rs.31.6 billion luxury residential project, called 'The Cascades Neopolis'. It will have five 63-storey towers and will be 217-metre in height. The project aims to offer a sublime blend of contemporary design, sustainable living and smart home automation. It will also have two helipads and a sky bridge connecting all towers.

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## Uttar Pradesh

### Uttar Pradesh govt to hold e-auction for allotment of 144 industrial plots

The Uttar Pradesh government is set to hold a mega e-auction for the allotment of 144 industrial plots across 16 districts. These include Mathura, Mainpuri, Shahjahanpur, Hamirpur, Jalaun, Jhansi, Fatehpur, Kanpur, Banda, Baghpat, etc. The aim is to give a major boost to the transformation of the state into 'Udyam Pradesh'.

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### PM inaugurates new Vande Bharat Express train in Uttar Pradesh

PM Narendra Modi has inaugurated a new Vande Bharat Express train that will run between Patliputra and Gorakhpur. This train will reduce the journey time from 10-12 hours to just seven hours. It will run six days a week, except on Saturdays. Meanwhile, PM also flagged off a new export locomotive made at the Marhowra plant in Bihar for the Republic of Guinea

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### Uttar Pradesh govt to invest Rs.3.2 bln in creating network of smart classrooms

The state government is set to invest nearly Rs.3.2 billion for creating a network of smart classrooms across the state. The aim is to align school education with the growing digital ecosystem. Under this initiative, the state urban development department is developing more than 2,700 smart classrooms, of which nearly 1,780 are complete and operational.

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## Uttarakhand

### Uttarakhand CM approves Rs.126.9 mln for works in 2 districts

CM Pushkar Singh Dhami has approved Rs.126.9 million for infrastructure projects in Nainital and Rudrapur. A sum of Rs.50.5 million will be used for the construction of motor road from Dooni Khal to Rati Ghat in Betal Ghat development block.

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### Health services under AB PMJAY to be available at all PHCs in Uttarakhand

Health services under the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana will now be available at all primary health centres (PHC) in Uttarakhand. Following this, villagers in remote and hilly regions of the state can access health services at their nearest PHCs.

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### Uttarakhand Transport Corporation to introduce 100 new buses

The move comes following Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami's directives to phase out outdated and deteriorating buses from service. The move is aimed at modernising public transport and ensuring environmental compliance.

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## Union Territories

### Delhi govt starts working on 300 projects to clean Yamuna River

The Delhi government has started working on more than 300 projects to clean Yamuna River and solve the city's sewage woes. A total of Rs.80 billion has been allocated for the purpose. The information was shared by Chief Minister (CM) Rekha Gupta on 20 June 2025.

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### CM's Public Services & Outreach Office inaugurated in J&K

CM Omar Abdullah inaugurated the Chief Minister's (CM) Public Services & Outreach Office at Canal Road in Jammu. The aim is to strengthen the union territory (UT) administration's outreach to citizens and address public grievances more efficiently.

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### Delhi govt to host global tourism stakeholder summit

The Delhi government is planning to host a global stakeholders summit for the tourism industry in the first week of July 2025. This will boost tourist footfall in the national capital. Additionally, the government is looking to hire tourism fellows to be engaged in various sub-departments like event planning and management.

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### GMCH's trauma centre in Chandigarh's Sector 32 to open in August

The Government Medical College and Hospital (GMCH) in Chandigarh's Sector 32 is set to open its newly built trauma centre in August 2025. The state-of-the-art facility, with a capacity of 259 beds, is expected to bolster the city's burdened emergency services.

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## West Bengal

### West Bengal govt plans to set up 4 new IT parks

The West Bengal government is planning to set up four new information technology (IT) parks. As many as three of them will be set up in north Bengal, while the other in Hooghly's Chinsurah. The state government is focusing on the development of IT infrastructure in the region, said state IT and electronics minister Babul Supriyo.

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### Calcutta HC urges Centre to resume implementation of MGNREGA in WB

The Calcutta High Court has urged the Centre to resume implementation of the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) in WB from 1 August 2025. This has come after the project remained stalled for nearly three years in the state.

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