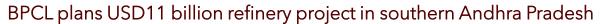






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Andhra Pradesh



BPCL plans to invest USD11 billion in Andhra Pradesh for a new refinery and petrochemical project to meet rising fuel demand in the world's fastest-growing major economy.

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Andhra government to allocate 2,000 more acres of land to Sri City

Sri City is set for a major expansion, with the Andhra Pradesh government preparing to allocate an additional 2,000 acres of land to this rapidly developing business hub.

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Andhra Pradesh Tourism inks MoU with Embassy of Nepal

The Andhra Pradesh Tourism inked an MoU with the Embassy of Nepal. The pact is aimed at promoting and developing tourism between Nepal and Andhra Pradesh. It is also expected to increase cooperation & collaboration, while sharing knowledge, expertise and resources to achieve common goals.

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Bihar

NTPC Green Energy signs MoU with Department of Industries, Govt of Bihar

NTPC plans to establish a nuclear energy project in Bihar, expanding its non-fossil energy portfolio. The company has requested land from the Bihar government and will conduct feasibility studies. NTPC is also focusing on renewable energy, aiming for 60,000 MW capacity by 2032.

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Haldiram Snack to invest INR300 crore in Bihar, set up manufacturing plant

Haldiram Snack is set to spice up Bihar's economy with a INR300 crore investment in a new manufacturing plant. The 12-acre facility in Bihta, slated to open by mid-2027, will produce the company's popular sweets, namkeens, and snacks. This move comes as part of Bihar Business Connect 2024.

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Solar street light company bags new order worth INR37.65 crore from Bihar Renewable Energy Development Agency

Trom Industries Limited has made significant strides in its business growth with the recent acquisition of a substantial order worth INR37.65 crore from the Bihar Renewable Energy Development Agency (BREDA), a government entity under the Bihar State government.



Chhattisgarh



Chhattisgarh has successfully attracted investment proposals worth INR15,184 crore. Ritu Sain, Chhattisgarh's Investment Commissioner, emphasised the state's goal to broaden its industrial base. The state wants to diversify and tap into the potential of different sectors.

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141 acres land allocated to set up Pharma park in Naya Raipur

Chhattisgarh is positioning itself as a new pharmaceutical centre in central India, with the Naya Raipur Atal Nagar Development Authority allocating 141.84 acres to foster research, development, and international investment in pharmaceuticals. The CSIDC received this land allocation for establishing a pharmaceutical park.

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Chhattisgarh leads India in automobile sector with 18.57 per cent growth

Chhattisgarh has emerged as a leader in the automobile industry, registering an exceptional 18.57 per cent growth in vehicle sales from January to November this year with sales of over 6.69 lakh vehicles. The state has set new benchmarks by larger states like Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh, which was excessive.

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Gujarat

NTPC commissions 37.50 MW Solar PV Project in Sadla, Gujarat

NTPC announced that certificate issued by Gujarat Energy Development Agency, first part capacity of 37.50 MW out of 200 MW Gujarat Solar PV Project in Sadla, Gujarat of NTPC REL, a stepdown subsidiary of NTPC through its subsidiary NTPC Green Energy.

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Board of Gujarat Fluorochemicals approves purchase of up to 350 MW

The Board of Gujarat Fluorochemicals at its meeting has approved to purchase power up to 350 MW from Flurry Wind Energy through a Power purchase agreement, at the rate of INR4/- per unit with the transaction value based on the number of units generated and commercial operation date.

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India begins construction of first AI-enabled semiconductor plant in Gujarat

Construction has started on what is claimed to be India's first artificial intelligence (AI) enabled semiconductor fabrication plant in Dholera, Gujarat. Tata Electronics, in collaboration with Taiwan's PSMC, is leading this INR91,000 crore project.





Goa

Goa CM launches `LetsGoa'

CM Pramod Sawant has launched 'LetsGoa', an innovative digital platform. It has been designed to provide seamless travel experiences. The platform will benefit tourists, locals and the tourism sector, including hoteliers, travel agencies, service providers & others.

Read more

State to carve out 3rd district from 4 South Goa talukas

In a major decision, state govt finalised a new third district for Goa consisting of four hinterland talukas – Canacona, Sanguem, Dharbandora and Quepem. The proposal will be brought before the cabinet for final approval.

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Haryana

Haryana ministers discuss development plans for Hisar

Haryana social justice minister Krishan Kumar Bedi and food & supply minister Rajesh Nagar held a meeting to discuss development plans for Hisar. They claimed that the state government is focusing on ensuring the benefits of public welfare schemes reach the most remote areas of the state.

Read more

Haryana govt revises its policy to kickstart stalled real estate projects

The Haryana government has revised its policy to kickstart stalled real estate projects. The policy is also aimed at ensuring the recovery of outstanding external development charges (EDC) and state infrastructure development charges (SIDC).

Read more

Haryana CM inaugurates, lays foundation for 6 projects in Kosli

Haryana Chief Minister (CM) Nayab Singh Saini inaugurated and laid foundation stones for six development projects worth over INR23 crore in Kosli Assembly constituency. The projects inaugurated include a 33 KV substation in Bohka and many others.

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State issues directions for recovery of commuted value of pension from retired employees

The Haryana government has issued directions for recovery of the commuted value of pension from employees who retired over 10 years ago and also the amount paid to them since June 2024. With this, all such employees in this category will get reduced pensions from January 2025.



Himachal Pradesh



Himachal Government to set up potato processing plant in Una district

CM Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu said that the state government is planning to establish a potato processing plant in Una district, with an investment of approximately INR20 crore. The plant will have a minimum processing capacity of 500 kg per hour and will primarily focus on producing potato flakes.

Read more

Centre allows metalling of roads in rural areas across Himachal Pradesh

The Centre has allowed the Himachal Pradesh government to take up metalling of roads in rural areas that are not in good condition under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY). This would aid in the metalling of around 1,000-1,500-km of roads.

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Karnataka

Karnataka clears projects worth INR9,823 crore in state soon

Karnataka is set to develop a new industrial hub, SWIFT City in Sarjapur, Bengaluru. Spread across more than 1,000 acres, this will be Karnataka's third major planned industrial hub, following Electronic City and ITPL in Whitefield.

Read more

Karnataka's first INR3,400 crore semiconductor project in Mysuru gets approval

The Karnataka government approved the state's rst semiconductor project in the electronics manufacturing cluster (EMC) at Kochanahalli, Mysuru, for projects with a total investment of INR9,823.31 crore and expected to create approximately 5,605 jobs.

Read more

Karnataka approves INR10,144 crore investment proposals

In a major move to further strengthen Karnataka's industrial and economic landscape, the State High Level Clearance Committee, chaired by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, has approved investment proposals worth INR10,144.31 crore during its 64th meeting, attended by state ministers and other officials.

Read more

Wistron approves USD20 million initial investment for a new factory line in Karnataka

Apple iPhone supplier Wistron has approved an initial investment of USD20 million in one of its subsidiaries to construct a new factory line in Karnataka, laying the foundation to support its upcoming laptop manufacturing plant in India.



Kerala



More facilities set to come up at Bio 360 Life Science Park

More facilities are set to come up at the Bio 360 Life Science Park, under the Kerala State Industrial Development Corporation, as part of the institution's annual plan this year, including a biotech incubation space and a central laboratory animal facility for the Kerala Veterinary and Animal Science University (KVASU).

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Supreme power equipment approved as a vendor for state electricity board

Supreme Power Equipment Limited, one of the leading manufacturers of power and distribution transformers, has achieved a significant milestone in its growth journey. The company has been officially approved as a vendor for the supply of power and distribution transformers to the Kerala State Electricity Board (KSEB).

Read more

SECI launches 500MWh BESS tender with Viability Gap Funding in Kerala

The SECI has launched a 150MW/500MWh battery storage solicitation in Kerala. The tender for a single-site battery energy storage system (BESS) will be among those backed with Viability Gap Funding (VGF) from the Union Government.

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Rajasthan

Rajasthan govt announces policy for the manufactured sand industry

Rajasthan has announced a new policy that will support the manufactured sand (M-sand) industry as the state seeks to strengthen sustainable construction and infrastructure. M-sand is produced by crushing rocks or quarry stones.

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New centre for ceramics in Rajasthan set to promote industry with research

A new Centre of Excellence for Ceramics being established in Rajasthan is set to promote the industry with the exploration, mining, processing and world-class research. The preparations for launching the centre are in the final stage, while the State government has sought the support of academicians, technical experts and ceramic representatives.

Read more

ReNew sells 300 MW solar asset in Rajasthan

ReNew Energy Global said it has sold its 300 MW solar project in Jaisalmer, Rajasthan, at an enterprise valuation of INR1,500 crore to Anzen Energy Yield Plus Trust. The project has been operational for three years.



Madhya Pradesh



The Central Government has appointed the Madhya Pradesh Industrial Development Corporation (MPIDC) as the master developer for the PM Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM MITRA) Park in Dhar district.

Read more

PM Modi to lay foundation stone of Ken-Betwa river link project

Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone of the Ken-Betwa river linking project, the first such initiative under the national river interlinking policy, at Khajuraho in Madhya Pradesh.

Read more

REC forms arm for renewable power evacuation in Madhya Pradesh

State-owned REC has created a subsidiary named Rajgarh III Power Transmission Limited for evacuating power from renewable energy projects in Madhya Pradesh. The subsidiary was incorporated as part of REC Power Development and Consultancy Limited. It will manage a 1500 MW Transmission System in Rajgarh SEZ.

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Maharashtra

M&M arm incorporates new subsidiary in Maharashtra

Mahindra & Mahindra announced that its wholly owned subsidiary Mahindra Susten (MSPL) has incorporated a wholly owned subsidiary Ultrogen Hybren (Ultrogen Hybren) in Mumbai Maharashtra.

Read more

Lemon Tree Hotels signs a new property in Maharashtra

Lemon Tree Hotels has announced the signing of a new property in Bapane, Maharashtra. The upcoming Lemon Tree Hotel, Bapane, is set to open in FY 2026 and will be managed by Carnations Hotels, a subsidiary of Lemon Tree Hotels.

Read more

Metropolis Healthcare incorporates subsidiary in Maharashtra

Metropolis Healthcare has announced the incorporation of Metropolis Clinical Pathology as a wholly owned subsidiary. The company has subscribed to 10,000 equity shares, each with a face value of INR10, as part of its initial capital investment. Metropolis Clinical Pathology, registered in the State of Maharashtra, aims to provide a wide range of diagnostic services.





Punjab

Punjab govt to launch centralised platform to monitor de-addiction treatment

The Punjab government has decided to launch a centralised platform to manage and monitor patient registration for detoxification treatment using Buprenorphine. The initiative aims to prevent misuse of the medication, improve patient care and streamline the drug supply chain.

Read more

Punjab govt to take steps for boosting fisheries sector

The Punjab government has decided to focus on boosting the fisheries sector. This will be done by leveraging the existing primary agricultural cooperative societies (PACS) and establishing new multipurpose agricultural cooperative societies (MPACS).

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Telangana

Telangana CM lays foundation for development projects worth INR190 crore

CM A Revanth Reddy laid the foundation stone for various development projects, totaling INR190 crore. Key initiatives include the construction of roads connecting tribal villages costing INR52.76 crore and establishment of the Young India Integrated Residential School Complex & Indira Mahila Shakti Bhavan with a INR5 crore allocation.

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Telangana's GHMC to repurpose vacant model market buildings

The Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) in Telangana is planning to repurpose vacant model market buildings into skill centres for youth and women. These buildings have been unused for over six years The initiative follows an investment of approximately INR50 crore in constructing these buildings.

Read more

APGVB branches in TG to merge with Telangana Grameena Bank on Jan. 1

Four hundred and ninety three branches of Andhra Pradesh Grameena Vikas Bank in Telangana are to be merged with Telangana Grameena Bank with effect from January 1, 2025.

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Telangana set to unveil clean and green energy policy soon

Telangana is set to introduce a new 'clean and green energy policy' to address its increasing energy demands sustainably. The State's peak power demand is projected to rise significantly from 15,623 MW in 2023-24 to 20,968 MW by 2027-28.



Odisha



Odisha govt collaborates with IIT Madras to improve road safety

The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)-Madras' RBG Labs has partnered with the Odisha government to improve road safety in the state. The state government will adopt a data-driven approach to reduce fatalities through evidence-driven interventions.

Read more

Odisha Cabinet ministers appointed as Prabhari Mantris for various districts

Odisha Cabinet ministers have been appointed as ministers in-charge or Prabhari Mantris for various districts in the state. Deputy chief minister KV Singh Deo will look after Cuttack & Jagatsinghpur, while Pravati Parida will be responsible for Balasore & Bhadrak. Suresh Pujari has been made Prabhari Mantri for Sundargarh & Deogarh and Rabi Narayan.

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Odisha CM launches 1,542 new MPACS

Odisha Chief Minister (CM) Mohan Charan Majhi launched 1,542 new multipurpose primary agricultural cooperative societies (MPACS). With this, the total number of such societies in the state has increased to 4,253. The state government is committed to making the cooperative movement more people-orientated by implementing various programmes.

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Tamil Nadu

Tamil Nadu minister commissions Trichy's first solar power plant at Panjapur

Tamil Nadu municipal administration minister KN Nehru commissioned Trichy's first solar power plant at Panjapur. It has been developed at a cost of INR50 crore under the Smart City Mission. It has a capacity of 9.6 megawatt (MW).

Read more

Tamil Nadu govt to inaugurate 25 de-addiction centres in govt medical college hospitals

The Tamil Nadu health department has decided to inaugurate 25 de-addiction centres in government medical college hospitals. The aim is to provide institutional counselling, treatment & rehabilitation services to persons affected by substance abuse.

Read more

Tamil Nadu CM inaugurates Day Long Annadaanam scheme in Madurai

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister (CM) MK Stalin inaugurated the Day Long Annadaanam scheme by the state Hindu Religious & Charitable Endowments (HR&CE) department at Azhagar Koil in Madurai and Marudhamalai temple in Coimbatore.



North-East



Centre includes 5 NE states under Swadesh Darshan initiative

The Union tourism ministry has included five states in its Swadesh Darshan initiative. These include Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya and Tripura. The aim is to develop theme-based tourist circuits across the country and promote sustainable tourism.

Read more

Assam food minister lays foundation stone for 100-bedded district hospital

Assam food minister Kaushik Rai recently laid the foundation stone for a 100-bedded district hospital in Lakhipur. A sum of INR100 crore has been set aside for the state-of-the-art facility, which will be housed in an eight-story structure. The hospital will provide advanced medical services to both rural and urban population of the Cachar district.

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Gauhati HC directs 4 states to report steps taken to improve condition of central/district jails

The Gauhati High Court recently directed four states-Assam, Nagaland, Mizoram and Arunachal Pradesh, to file their respective comprehensive affidavit addressing all the issues highlighted by a Committee in its inspection report concerning the condition of different central jails and district jails across these states.

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Ravindra Telang appointed as Sikkim chief secretary

IAS officer Ravindra Telang was appointed as the new chief secretary of Sikkim. With this, he has replaced Vijay Bhushan Pathak, who will retire on 31 December 2024. The former's extensive experience and leadership are expected to be valuable as the state faces future challenges & opportunities.

Read more

Tripura's TREDA to install purified water plants in 50 tribal hamlets

The Tripura Renewable Energy Development Agency (TREDA), a state government undertaking, has set a target to install community-based purified water plants through solar energy in the 50 most inaccessible tribal hamlets.

Read more

Final electoral rolls for Panchayat polls published, 1.8 cr eligible voters

The Final Electoral Rolls for the Panchayat Election 2025 have been published after taking into account the delimitation of Gaon and Anchalik panchayat and Zilla Parishad constituencies in 2024 across 27 districts.



Uttar Pradesh



NBCC gets INR300 crore order in Varanasi, INR44 crore contract at AIIMS Gorakhpur

NBCC has bagged INR 300 crore contract to develop a commercial complex in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh. In a regulatory filing, the company said it has secured a INR300 crore order for "development of JLNCC, Englishya Lines, Varanasi on self-sustainable model".

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Rural roads in Uttar Pradesh to be repaired, constructed at INR810 crore

Nearly INR810 crore has been approved to repair and construct roads in rural areas of Uttar Pradesh. Of the total, INR480 crore has been granted by the Centre, while the state government has made a matching budgetary allocation of over INR330 crore.

Read more

UP govt gearing up for Mahakumbh Mela with over 5,000 special buses

The Uttar Pradesh government is gearing up for the Mahakumbh Mela 2025 in Prayagraj, with over 5,000 special buses. These include 550 electric vehicles. These special buses are set to aid the massive influx of devotees during the religious gathering's peak days.

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Uttarakhand

125 multi-purpose PACS inaugurated in Uttarakhand

Union home minister Amit Shah inaugurated 125 multi-purpose primary agricultural credit societies (PACS) in Uttarakhand. These societies will help deliver various government services and schemes efficiently to rural populations.

Read more

Clarissa Group announces opening of Uttarakhand property

Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of 239 schemes worth INR54 crore and 31 lakh at the newly constructed modern sports complex in Haridwar.

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Uttarakhand will become a fully organic state in two yrs: Dhan Singh Rawat

Uttarakhand will become the newest fully organic state in the next two years, as 62 out of the total 95 blocks in the state have become organic, of which 47 blocks have already been certified as organic, the state's cooperative and education minister, Dhan Singh Rawat, said.



Union Territories

Chandigarh MC plans to set up 60 TPD horticulture processing plant

The Chandigarh municipal corporation (MC) is planning to set up a 60 tonnes per day (TPD) horticulture processing plant to manage the city's horticulture waste. The engineering wing intends to implement bio-fuel briquetting technology, considering the high market demand and excellent sale value of bio-fuel.

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JK CM looks to boost tourist footfalls in Jammu

CM Omar Abdullah, plans to encourage devotees visiting the Vaishno Devi shrine to visit other tourist spots in Jammu to help boost tourist footfalls. The CM believes that even if 15 per cent of the devotees visited other tourist spots, it could boost footfalls by 1.5 million.

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Foundation stone laid for 45-metre span motorable bridge in Rajouri, J&K

Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) deputy chief minister Surinder Chowdhary laid the foundation stone for a 45-metre span motorable bridge over Sadda Nallah in Rajouri district. The project, estimated to cost INR520 lakhs, aims to enhance regional connectivity.

Read more

J&K admin launches Transport Subsidy Scheme

The Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) administration has launched the 'Transport Subsidy Scheme'. The move aims to replace old public transport vehicles with eco-friendly & fuel-efficient buses. It seeks to modernise the region's public transport system, reduce traffic congestion and curb rising pollution levels.

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West Bengal

LTIMindtree launches rural development initiative in West Bengal

LTIMindtree launched an Integrated Village Development Programme (IVDP) in West Bengal's Balarampur Block. The initiative, part of the company's CSR efforts, aims to develop 16 aspirational blocks identified by Niti Aayog across India.

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West Bengal's revenue expenditure outpaces capital spending in H1 FY25

Amit Mitra, principal chief advisor to Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee and the state's finance department, had recently said Bengal's capital spending had increased from INR2,226 crore in 2010-11 to a budgeted amount of INR35,865.55 crore in 2024-25.







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