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Haryana

Youths enrolled under ‘Agnipath' initiative to be given preference in govt jobs in Haryana

Youths enrolled in the armed services under the Centre’s 'Agnipath' initiative will be given precedence in government posts in Haryana. The information was shared by Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar on 15 June 2022.

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Haryana govt signs pact for integrated water resources management

Israel and the Haryana government have signed a joint declaration on integrated water resources management and capacity building. Both sides will strengthen their existing friendly relations in the water management sector, preserve water resources in public water areas in Haryana, and improve public health in the region.

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Haryana CM launches 'Sujal' initiative in Panchkula

On 13 June 2022, Haryana CM Manohar Lal Khattar launched the 'Sujal' initiative in Panchkula as a pilot project. The move aims to monitor the water supply and control its flow in the region.

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Himachal Pradesh

Himachal Pradesh govt unveils drone policy

Himachal Pradesh has notified its drone policy to incentivize and facilitate the establishment of Drone design, manufacturing, and services-based Industry in the State.

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Himachal Pradesh govt to transform Janjehli into tourist destination

The Himachal Pradesh government is planning to transform Janjehli in the Mandi district into a major tourist destination. A complete development plan would be prepared for the purpose, said Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur.

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Himachal Pradesh govt to strengthen infrastructure of 210 villages

The Himachal Pradesh government has started strengthening infrastructure in 210 villages in Kinnaur and Lahaul-Spiti districts along the China border under the Centre-sponsored Village Vibrant Programme.

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Punjab

Punjab govt to transform Ranjit Sagar Lake into tourism destination
The Punjab government will develop Ranjit Sagar Lake in Pathankot to make it a world-class global tourist destination as it seeks to boost tourism and allied sectors in the state.

Punjab CM launches online driving license portal
Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann has launched an online driving license portal for the public that will facilitate people to get a learner’s license on a single click of their computer, mobile, tablet, or laptop.

Punjab govt signs MoU with SIDBI for development of MSME ecosystem
On 13 June 2022, the Punjab government signed an MoU with SIDBI to launch an umbrella programme called 'Mission Swavalamban'. As part of the pact, the SIDBI would set up a project management unit in the state for the development of the MSME ecosystem.

Gujarat

Gujarat contributes most in India’s exports during 2021-22
Gujarat accounted for the biggest chunk of India’s exports last year, bolstered by a jump in the value of petroleum products and diamond shipments, among other items. The western state’s share in the country’s total exports of USD 421.9 billion in FY22 was estimated at USD 126.8 billion.

Gujarat’s GUVNL seeks to sign PPAs for 500 MW of grid-connected renewable energy
With an aim to bring electricity to off-grid villages in Gujarat, GUVNL has opened a competitive solicitation for renewable energy paired with energy storage systems. The GUVNL is seeking to enter into PPAs for up to 500 MW of grid-connected renewable energy and ESS capable of delivering the peak power requirements of local discoms.

CCEA approves development of new greenfield airport in Dholera, Ahmedabad
The CCEA has approved a proposal for the development of Phase I of a new greenfield airport in Dholera, Gujarat, at a cost of INR 1,305 crore and a timeline of 48 months.
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Maharashtra

Maharashtra govt undertakes initiatives to promote startups
Maharashtra is implementing a number of initiatives such as promoting innovation among the youth, including a start-up yatra, start-up week, and the creation of an incubation centre for entrepreneurship growth. This has resulted in the state leading in the start-up ecosystem with the highest number of unicorns in the country.

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Maharashtra govt to initiate ‘knock door to door' campaign
As the COVID-19 cases in Maharashtra are showing a sharp rise, the state government has decided to initiate the “knock door to door” campaign to ascertain whether the citizens have taken the second COVID-19 vaccine or not.

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Many cities of Maharashtra to be growth centres of the country: PM Modi
Prime Minister Narendra Modi said Mumbai is the city of dreams, however, there are many such cities in Maharashtra, which are going to be the growth centres of the country in the 21st century.

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Jammu & Kashmir

J&K CS launches `Mobile Seva' services in J&K
On 15 June 2022, J&K CS Dr. Arun Kumar Mehta launched the 'Mobile Seva' services in UT. The platform will be used to reach out to citizens and promote proactive citizen engagements by leveraging the mobile penetration in the population, especially in remote areas.

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J&K admin rolls out comprehensive drug de-addiction policy
J&K admin has rolled out a comprehensive drug de-addiction policy. The policy focuses on various key aspects including prevention, rehabilitation & integration, training & sensitization, generating awareness, and up-gradation/establishment of drug de-addiction centers.

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J&K scores highest among UTs in NeSDA 2021
J&K has been ranked the highest among all UTs of India with nearly 90% compliance of all parameters of the national e-governance service delivery assessment (NeSDA), an official statement said.

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Madhya Pradesh

CAAQMS installed at 10 places in Madhya Pradesh

MP Pollution Control Board has installed Continuous Ambient Air Measurement (CAAQMS) instruments for continuous monitoring of ambient air at 10 places in the state.

Madhya Pradesh: Medanta brings world-class chest surgical care to Indore

In continuation of its commitment to bringing world-class healthcare to the citizens of Indore, Medanta has announced the launch of Chest Surgery Services in Medanta Super Specialty Hospital, Indore. This service will offer citizens access to world-class care for all chest-related disorders through open, VATS/ key-hole, and robotic surgeries (including benign as well as malignant diseases).

Tamil Nadu

Tamil Nadu govt extends ‘Illam Thedi Kalvi’ scheme for 6 months

The Tamil Nadu government has extended the 'Illam Thedi Kalvi' scheme for another six months. The programme aims to bridge the learning gap created by school closures due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Tamil Nadu govt signs MoU with Tata Technologies to upgrade 71 ITIs

Tata Technologies has collaborated with the Tamil Nadu government to transform 71 government Industrial Training Institutes across the state into modern technology centers and training facilities, entailing an investment of around INR 2,204 crore.

Tamil Nadu CM inaugurates 20 all-women police stations

On 16 June 2022, Tamil Nadu CM MK Stalin inaugurated as many as 20 all-women police stations (AWPS) in different parts of the state. Currently, the state has 202 AWPSs, with almost one such station in each sub-division. These stations help in redressing the grievances of women at the earliest.
Andhra Pradesh

Andhra Pradesh CM sanctions Rs. 29.7 bln under crop insurance scheme
On 14 June 2022, Andhra Pradesh CM YS Jaganmohan Reddy transferred INR 29.7 billion into the bank accounts of 1.5 million farmers to compensate for the crop loss during the Kharif and rabi seasons in 2021.

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Andhra Pradesh tops list of states in implementing PMAY
Union Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas and Housing and Urban Affairs, Hardeep Singh Puri lauded the State of Andhra Pradesh for its efforts in the country in providing housing to the poor. He said that the State stood first in the country in terms of implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY).

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Andhra Pradesh govt signs pact with Byju’s to impart quality education
On 16 June 2022, the Andhra Pradesh government signed a pact with education and tech company Byju’s with an aim to impart quality education to students of state-run schools.

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Karnataka

Karnataka govt launches FRUITS software for farmers
The Karnataka government has launched the Farmer Registration & Unified Beneficiary Information System (FRUITS) for Aadhaar-based single-window registration for various government schemes.

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Karnataka govt to build 100,000 houses in Bengaluru under PMAY(U)
CM Basavaraj Bommai said that special emphasis is being given to building one lakh houses in Bengaluru, as part of the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana – Urban Mission. 52,000 houses have already been built, and the rest will come up soon.

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Karnataka govt approves 81 industrial projects worth Rs. 26.8 billion
The Karnataka government has cleared 81 new industrial projects valued at nearly INR 2,700 crore, which would have the potential to generate over 6,800 new employments in the state.

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Telangana among top-10 Global Startup Ecosystems
Telangana emerged as one of the Top-10 ‘Global startup Ecosystems’ and adjudged the fourth largest ‘Asian Ecosystem in Affordable Talent’, measuring the region’s ability to hire tech talent.

Telangana govt signs pact to save soil
Telangana has signed an MoU with Isha Outreach, becoming the sixth Indian state to officially join the global movement to save soil.

Telangana govt undertakes steps to develop health, education sectors
The Telangana government has undertaken steps to develop the health and education sectors. For this purpose, a medical college with a capacity of 150 seats is expected to come up in Jagtial district this academic year. In order to provide quality education to poor students, 1,000 gurukulam schools have been established across the state.

Telangana to get India’s first display fabrication unit
Elest, a subsidiary of gold retailer Rajesh Exports, will be setting up the country’s first display fab facility in Telangana with investments worth INR 24,000 crore.

Delhi

Delhi Police signs MoU with IIT Delhi for modernisation of force
The Delhi Police has signed an MoU with IIT Delhi for the modernization of the force to better manage crime, law and order, traffic, and the delivery of services to people.

DIAL to deploy 62 EVs for airside operations at IGI Airport in coming months
Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) has made an announcement to deploy 62 electric vehicles for the airside operations at the Indira Gandhi International Airport in the coming months. This initiative is a part of the Green Transportation Program to adopt electric mobility. These 62 EVs will help reduce about 1,000 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions every year.
Uttar Pradesh

Uttar Pradesh waives stamp duty in cases where property is transferred to family member

In a massive relief for those transferring property to family members, the state government has decided to do away with the stamp registration duty of 7% on such transactions. The registry will now be done for INR 5,000 with an additional processing fee of INR 1,000.

Uttar Pradesh to be developed as ‘Organic State’

Uttar Pradesh CM Yogi Adityanath on the 33rd foundation day of the UP Council of Agricultural Research, stressed the need to adopt organic and natural farming practices to benefit the farmers and develop the state as ‘Jaivik Pradesh(Organic State)’. For this purpose, the state government has commenced setting up testing labs at all the divisional headquarters, where the process of certification of seeds and production is being done.

Uttar Pradesh gears up to connect 3.5 crore people with International Yoga Day

Uttar Pradesh has geared up to ensure the participation of 3.5 crore (35 million) people in mass yoga demonstrations at 75,000 places on the 8th International Yoga Day on June 21, a state government spokesperson said.

Rajasthan

Exports from Rajasthan increased by 36% in 2021-22

Exports from Rajasthan have increased by 36% in 2021-22 compared to 2020-21. Led by textiles, gem and jewellery, handicrafts, engineering goods, metals, and chemicals, exports in 2021-22 reached nearly INR 72,000 crore compared to INR 52,700 crore in the previous year.

Rajasthan govt to allot 2,397.5 hectares of land to Adani for setting up 1 GW solar project

The Rajasthan Cabinet has decided to allot 2,397.54 hectares of government land in Bandha village of Jaisalmer district to Adani Renewables’ special purpose vehicle – Adani Renewable Energy Holding Four, to set up a 1,000 MW solar power project.
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West Bengal

WBERC approves PSA for purchase of 100 MW of wind-solar hybrid power in West Bengal

The West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission recently approved the PSA executed between the West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company and the Solar Energy Corporation of India for the purchase of 100 MW of wind-solar hybrid power on an RTC basis at INR2.90 (~$0.037)/kWh along with the trading margin of INR 0.07 (~$0.0009)/kWh. Read more

Plastic carry bags below 75 microns of thickness to be banned in WB from 1 July

The Bengal government has finally declared a ban on thin plastic polybags or single-use plastic from July 1. Henceforth, manufacture, stocking, distribution, sale, and use of plastic carry bags below 75-micron thickness will be a punishable offence. Read more

West Bengal notifies 15% wage hike for tea garden workers

The West Bengal government has notified a 15% wage hike for tea garden workers. The last wage hike of 15% was implemented in January 2021, when the hike was translated to `26 per day for daily rated workers. At present at a wage level of Rs 176 per day, the hike would translate to around Rs 23-24 a day. Read more

Bihar

Bihar govt to prepare ecosystem health report cards for 133 water bodies

In its first attempt to map the wetlands of Bihar, the Environment, Forest and Climate Change department has identified 133 water bodies to prepare documents and an ‘ecosystem health report card’ to provide them legal protection under the Wetland Protection Rules. Read more

Bihar plays a key role in agri growth: Narendra Singh Tomar

Union Agriculture and Farmers’ Welfare Minister Narendra Singh Tomar said by making considerable progress in agricultural productivity, Bihar has been contributing significantly to the agricultural growth of the country. Read more
Odisha

Odisha govt unveils guidelines for setting up special schools
Odisha government has formulated comprehensive guidelines for establishment, recognition and grant-in-aid to institutions imparting education to children with disabilities. The new regulation will replace all government resolutions issued earlier.

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Odisha govt to take up complete document verification of all teachers
On 13 June 2022, the Odisha government decided to take up the complete document verification of all teachers employed in state-run schools since the last three years. The move aims to identify fake teachers and take appropriate action against them.

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Odisha govt to establish R&D centre on bamboo craft in Bhubaneswar
The Odisha Handlooms, Textiles and Handicrafts Department has decided to establish a research & development (R&D) centre on bamboo craft in Bhubaneswar. The move aims to provide skills to traditional bamboo artisans of the state, thereby increasing their productivity and income.

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North-East

7 exotic agri-horti products of NE to be registered under GI by July
The North Eastern Regional Agricultural Marketing Corporation Limited has decided to register seven exotic agri-horti products of NE under GI by July 2022. These commodities are Gol Nemu & BheemKol of Assam, Black Cherry of Manipur, Sohsang of Meghalaya, Large Cardamom of Arunachal Pradesh, Mizo Mango of Mizoram, and Jamui Orange of Tripura.

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Assam govt sets target to generate 3,000-4,000 MW solar energy
Assam Chief Minister Dr Himanta Biswa Sarma said that the Assam government has set a target to generate 3000-4000 MW of solar energy in the state.

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32,059 govt schools in Assam receive tap water connections under JJM
Out of the total 42,405 government schools in Assam, 32,059 received tap water connections under JJM till 10 June 2022. This achievement is 75.6 per cent against the average national achievement of 83.8 per cent.

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Jharkhand
Jharkhand govt reduces VAT on ATF to 4%
In a bid to strengthen air connectivity to the state and boost tourism, the Jharkhand government announced it had slashed VAT on Aviation Turbine Fuel to 4% from 20%.

Jharkhand govt signs pact to increase school return of dropout students
Jharkhand Education Project Council has inked an agreement with Healthy Aging India in Ranchi to implement inter-generational learning for the welfare of vulnerable schoolchildren of standard VI to VIII to improve school retention and to increase school return of dropout students.

Kerala
Kerala govt to include 9 communities in OBC list
The Kerala government has decided to include as many as 9 more communities in the state in the OBC list. These include Kurukkal/Gurukal, Chettiar, Hindu Chetti, Pappada Chetti, Kumara Kshatriya, and Puluva Gounder.

Kerala govt to set up 100,000 MSME in 2022-23
Kerala is surging towards meeting its target of setting up one lakh MSMEs in the current financial year, with 13,137 enterprises in the micro, small and medium sector already registering in the first two-and-a-half months of FY23.

Global Startup Ecosystem Report ranks Kerala as top state across Asia
In a recognition to Kerala’s vibrant startup ecosystem, the State has been ranked first in Asia in Affordable Talent in Global Startup Ecosystem Report (GSER). The State is also ranked the fourth in the GSER global ranking, drawn up jointly by policy advisory and research organization Startup Genome and Global Entrepreneurship Network.

Kerala embarks on a big drive to promote caravan tourism
Caravan tourism, the Kerala government’s path-breaking initiative that aims to provide a novel experience to tourists and encourages the active participation of local communities is being aggressively promoted across the country.
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