



Regional Developments

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Andhra Pradesh

Andhra Pradesh govt signs 8 MoUs for various transformative initiatives

The Andhra Pradesh government has signed as many as eight MoUs with the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras for implementing various transformative initiatives. The information was shared by Chief Minister (CM) N Chandrababu Naidu. These initiatives will help in enabling international deep-tech innovation, scaling up digital skilling and others.

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Andhra Pradesh CM convenes high-level meeting over Vision-2047 plan

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister (CM) N Chandrababu Naidu convened a high-level meeting with industry leaders in Amaravati. The meeting was focused on economic growth targets and strategic development under the Vision-2047 plan.

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Andhra Pradesh govt sets target to attract INR30 lakh crore investments

The state government has set a target to attract INR30 lakh crore in investments in the next five years. The state government also aims to provide jobs to two million people within the said period. The information was shared by CM N Chandrababu Naidu

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Chhattisgarh

Chhattisgarh govt launches new industrial policy

The Chhattisgarh government launched the new industrial policy for 2024-30. The policy aims to drive economic growth, generate employment and foster sustainable industrial development. It focuses on key areas such as employment generation, skill development, export promotion, investment attraction and environmental protection.

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55,000 tonnes of paddy purchased in Chhattisgarh

Around 55,000 tonnes of paddy was purchased in Chhattisgarh on the first day of the procurement drive. This paddy was sold by 14,562 farmers. Over 2.7 million farmers have registered for this kharif marketing season (KMS), including 142,000 new farmers.

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Fully-equipped sports stadium set to come up in Chhattisgarh's Jashpur

A fully-equipped sports stadium is set to come up in Chhattisgarh's Jashpur. The information was shared by Union labour and employment minister Mansukh Mandaviya. The stadium will help find talent among tribals and nurture them for national & international games.

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Gujarat

Gujarat govt inks MoU with Jabil to set up its EMS unit

The Gujarat government signed an MoU with a leading electronics manufacturing services (EMS) company Jabil. As part of it, the firm will set up its EMS unit with INR1000 crore investment in the Dholera Special Investment Region (DSIR). The new unit of Jabil will focus on sectors, including networking, capital goods, automotive and other allied industries.

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Gujarat CM approves INR250 crore for various projects

CM Bhupendra Patel approved INR250 crore for various development projects. The aim is to enhance the ease of living for people across the state. As part of it, INR6 crore has been allocated to the Jasdan Municipality for a unique riverfront project along the Bhadar River.

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Jabil signs MoU with Gujarat govt, to invest INR1,000 crore at Dholera unit

The Gujarat government signed an MoU with a leading EMS company Jabil to set up its electronics manufacturing services (EMS) unit with INR1,000 crore investment in Dholera Special Investment Region (DSIR). The MoU was signed between Gujarat's Science and Technology Department and Jabil in presence of Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel.

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Gujarat govt to launch child protection policy

The Gujarat government is drafting a child protection policy to safeguard the state's most vulnerable citizens. This comprehensive plan aims to address a wide range of issues, from education and healthcare to safety and social welfare. It plans to set up a robust monitoring system to track the implementation of various child protection laws.

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Jharkhand

Jharkhand Governor inaugurates Industry-Academia Conclave at NIT

Governor Santosh Kumar Gangwar inaugurated the second edition of the Industry-Academia Conclave at NIT Jamshedpur. The event aims to strengthen collaboration between industry leaders, academic institutions, policymakers, and students.

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Jharkhand Assembly elections Phase 1 highlights: 65 per cent voter turnout

A voter turnout of 64.86 per cent was recorded in the 43 assembly constituencies in Jharkhand where polling was held in the first phase, officials said. Lohardaga district topped the list with 73.21 per cent polling while Hazaribag district recorded the lowest at 59.13.

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Goa

Goa's GIDC launches e-platform for industries to obtain regulatory approvals

The Goa Industrial Development Corporation (GIDC) has launched an online e-governance platform that enables industrial units to apply for & obtain regulatory approvals and ensure compliance. The platform has been rolled out for as many as four industrial estates.

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Grand Mercure launches new property in Goa, India

Grand Mercure Hotels & Resorts has inaugurated Grand Mercure Goa Candolim, nestled at Candolim in the picturesque landscape of Goa, India. The 87-room property is strategically located close to the beach, providing a "gateway" for travellers scouting for a "laid-back" experience on Goa's shores.

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Goa launches India's first fully tech-based online lottery

The Goa government is launching an online lottery named 'Great Goa Games' with its first draw on November 24. This technology-driven initiative aims to enhance transparency and streamline operations. Arun Pandey's Rhati Sports holds the marketing license, marking a major shift from the traditional paper-based system.

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Haryana

Haryana govt to establish 10 advanced industrial townships

The Haryana government has decided to establish as many as 10 advanced industrial townships across the state in the next five years. The information was shared by state Governor Bandaru Dattatreya. Each township will provide opportunities for entrepreneurs to create lakhs of new jobs across the state.

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Piccadily Agro Industries announces INR1,000 crore expansion

Piccadily Agro Industries Ltd. has announced a significant expansion plan worth an estimated INR1,000 crore. This plan aims to enhance the company's production capabilities and establish new distilleries, the expansion includes a brownfield development in Haryana.

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Haryana working to realize PM Modi's vision of 'Developed India by 2047'

Haryana Industries and Commerce Minister, Rao Narbir Singh, highlighted the state's role in realizing Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of a "Developed India 2047" at the Haryana State Day celebrations during the India International Trade Fair at Bharat Mandapam.

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Himachal Pradesh

Himachal Pradesh CM inaugurates state-of-the-art milk processing plant

CM Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu inaugurated a state-of-the-art milk processing plant at Duttanagar in Rampur Assembly constituency. It has been built at a cost of INR25.67 crore. The facility will directly benefit over 20,000 farmers from Shimla, Kullu, Mandi and Kinnaur districts, associated with 271 milk cooperative societies.

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Himachal Pradesh govt floats tenders for 13.7-km-long Shimla ropeway

Himachal Pradesh government has floated tenders for the 13.7-km-long Shimla ropeway. Work on the project, which will be India's largest and the world's second-largest ropeway, is set to commence in March 2025. The move aims to tackle the traffic situation that becomes worse during the peak season, with over 10,000 vehicles entering the city every day.

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Karnataka

Karnataka's BBMP approves 1,067 building plans under Trust & Verify System

Karnataka's Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) has approved 1,067 building plans under the Trust & Verify System. This online approval system is applicable to sites measuring up to 50/80 and up to four residential units.

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Karnataka govt to establish CoE in AI in Bengaluru

Karnataka government approved the establishment of a Centre of Excellence (CoE) in artificial intelligence (AI) in Bengaluru. It will involve an investment of INR28 crore. The centre will be set up by the state information technology (IT) department.

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Karnataka govt to establish state's second Japanese industrial park

The Karnataka government has decided to establish the state's second Japanese industrial park in Vasanthanarasapura, situated within the Chennai-Bengaluru Industrial Corridor. Under the India-Japan partnership, the Japanese government aims to achieve 5 trillion yen in investments and loans over the next five years in India.

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Karnataka govt plans to set up STREAM labs in state-run schools

The state is planning to set up science, technology, robotics, environment and ecology, astronomy and mathematics (STREAM) labs to help conduct science experiments in state-run schools. The move will benefit rural children, in particular, who could learn fundamental concepts from the state board curriculum through a hands-on approach.

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Kerala

Kerala's Kottarakara to get 2 IT parks

Kerala's Kottarakara is set to get two information technology (IT) parks. Nearly 500 professionals will get employment in the IT and IT-related sectors in the initial phase. In the first phase, employment for 250 people will be ensured. Besides this, a drone research park will also be established in the town.

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Kerala's Kochi International Marina gets facelift

The Kochi International Marina, located near the Bolgatty Palace & Resort in Kerala, has undergone significant repairs in preparation for a new seaplane service to Mattupetty dam. The refurbishment includes fixing the wooden decks, which had deteriorated since the marina's opening, providing safer access for yacht owners.

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COSTECH to set up 2,000 EV charging stations in Kerala

The Kerala State Co-operative Institute of Information Technology, Electronics & Communications (COSTECH) has decided to establish 2,000 electric vehicle (EV) charging stations across the state. These facilities will be set up in collaboration with the ESYGO.

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Rajasthan

Rajasthan CM launches Govind Guru Tribal Regional Development Scheme

CM Bhajan Lal Sharma launched the Govind Guru Tribal Regional Development Scheme. It is aimed at ensuring the welfare of forest dwellers and traditional inhabitants under the Forest Rights Act.

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Rajasthan govt seeks recommendations on draft of new tourism policy

The Rajasthan government has sought industry recommendations for the draft of the state's new tourism policy. The Rajasthan Hotels Federation has reportedly recommended that the government set up a tourism board.

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Health dept signs MoUs of INR14,000 crore at pre-summit meet

Private entities expressed interest in establishing medical colleges and multispecialty hospitals through the Rajasthan govt's RajNivesh portal, and finalised MoUs worth INR14,000 crore at the Health Pre-Summit of Rising Rajasthan.

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Madhya Pradesh

PM inaugurates 2 museums in Madhya Pradesh

Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi inaugurated two museums in Madhya Pradesh. These include the Badal Bhoi Tribal Freedom Fighters Museum in Chhindwara and Raja Shankar Shah & Raghunath Shah Freedom Fighters Museum in Jabalpur.

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State to install 41 AI-based e-check gates to prevent mineral smuggling

The Madhya Pradesh government has decided to install as many as 41 artificial intelligence (AI)-based e-check gates in the state by December 2024 to stop illegal mineral transportation. The information was shared by state Chief Minister (CM) Mohan Yadav.

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MPIDC to invest over INR200 crore for developing 3 new industrial zones

The Madhya Pradesh Industrial Development Corporation (MPIDC) has decided to invest over INR200 crore for developing three new industrial zones in the state during the 2024-25 financial year. These zones will be located in Maksi, Shajapur and Jaggakhedi.

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Maharashtra

PM announces mega projects for Maharashtra's Raigad

Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi said that Maharashtra's Raigad is poised for a new chapter of progress, listing the mega projects and investments announced for the region. As part of it, Taloja will soon have a INR30000 crore data centre park, which will be Asia's largest.

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Solar-powered pumps to be installed across 250 sites in Maharashtra

Solar-powered submersible pumps will be installed across 250 sites in Maharashtra. For this, Saatvik Green Energy has partnered with the MSEDCL. The pumps, with capacities ranging from 3 horsepower (HP) to 7.5 HP, will be deployed to enhance water access for irrigation, drinking water supply, livestock watering and pond management.

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Sunkind gets 570-MW solar project from Maharashtra govt

Sunkind has secured a 570 MW solar energy project from the Maharashtra government, awarded by Maharashtra State Power Generation Company Limited (Mahagenco) under the Mukhyamantri Saur Krushi Vahini Yojana 2.0 Scheme.

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Punjab

Punjab CM launches 'Aarambh' innovative educational initiative

CM launched an innovative educational initiative, 'Aarambh'. The aim is to revolutionise early childhood education through enhanced parental engagement. The programme will exemplify the state's commitment to foster comprehensive early childhood development.

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Centre releases first installment of INR120 crore to Punjab under NHM

The Centre released the first installment of INR120 crore to Punjab under the National Health Mission (NHM). This has come after the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP)-led state government agreed to rename nearly half of the health and wellness clinics (HWC), known as Aam Aadmi Clinics (AAC), as Ayushman Arogya Kendras.

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Telangana

Telangana govt to establish committee to promote tourism

The Telangana government is set to establish a dedicated committee to promote tourism. This will be done by facilitating visits to the state's cultural, heritage and historical sites for both domestic & international tourists.

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Telangana govt to unveil Life Sciences policy by December

The Telangana government is likely to unveil the Life Sciences policy by December 2024. It is being designed to address the evolving needs of the industry and ensure that the state consolidates its position as an important hub in the global life sciences value chain.

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Telangana govt to launch AVGC 2.0 policy in 2025

The Telangana government is planning to launch its new Animation, Visual Effects Gaming and Comics (AVGC) 2.0 policy in 2025. The policy outlines plans for a gaming innovation hub, which will serve as a dedicated space for research, development and support for startups.

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BHEL to establish NTPC's Telangana thermal power plant

Bharat Heavy Electricals (BHEL) said that it has won a contract from NTPC to set up the main plant package for the Telangana Stage-II Supercritical Thermal Power Plant. The plant has a planned capacity of 3x800 megawatts.

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Odisha

CM lays foundation stones for projects worth INR1530 crore

CM Mohan Charan Majhi laid foundation stones for various projects worth INR1530 crore for tribal development. Besides this, a portal on the Forest Rights Act has also been launched. The Janajati Heritage & Pride Building and Janajati Language & Culture Institute was also unveiled.

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Odisha govt sets aside INR150 crore for Mahanadi Riverfront Development project

The Odisha government has set aside INR150 crore for the Mahanadi Riverfront Development project. With this, the total amount allocated for the project has reached INR200 crore. The information was shared by Chief Minister (CM) Mohan Majhi.

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Centre sets target to develop Odisha as major hub for renewable energy

The Centre has set a target to develop Odisha as a major hub for renewable energy and explore the scope of green hydrogen production in the state. The information was shared by Union minister for new & renewable energy Pralhad Joshi.

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Tamil Nadu

Tamil Nadu minister inaugurates MIOT Centre of Robotic Surgery

Tamil Nadu health minister Ma Subramanian inaugurated the Centre of Robotic Surgery at the Madras Institute of Orthopaedics & Traumatology (MIOT) in Chennai. Robotic surgery will be particularly effective for complex procedures that involve hard-to-reach areas or carry a high risk of damaging surrounding tissues.

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TN CM inaugurates infrastructure for rural development & panchayat raj dept

CM MK Stalin recently inaugurated infrastructure for the rural development and panchayat raj department in various districts. These include Coimbatore, Cuddalore, Erode, Kanyakumari, Pudukottai, Tenkasi, Thanjavur, Theni, Thoothukudi, Tiruchirappalli, Tirupur and Villupuram districts. The cost of these projects has been pegged at INR64.53 crore.

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Tamil Nadu CM lays foundation stone for footwear manufacturing unit

CM MK Stalin laid the foundation stone for a footwear manufacturing unit involving an investment of INR1000 crore at Jayamkondam in Ariyalur district. The facility will come up at the SIPCOT Industrial Complex.

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North-East

PM inaugurates 2 Eklavya Model Residential Schools in Mizoram

Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi inaugurated two Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) in Kolasib and Siaha districts of Mizoram. This inauguration coincides with the launch of other EMRS institutions across India. These schools aim to improve educational opportunities for tribal children.

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PM inaugurates Tribal Research Institute & Training Centre in Sikkim's Pakyong

Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi inaugurated the Tribal Research Institute and Training Centre at Assam Linzey in Sikkim's Pakyong district. The newly-established TRI aims to preserve & promote the languages, cultures and traditions of tribal communities in the state & beyond.

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Meghalaya CM inaugurates redeveloped IGP Point in Shillong

Meghalaya Chief Minister (CM) Conrad K Sangma unveiled a redeveloped IGP Point in Shillong. It has been constructed as part of the Re-Imagining Streets Initiative launched earlier this year. The junction has been designed to ensure safer pedestrian crossings and streamline traffic flow.

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Skywalk project to come up at Mawkdok in Meghalaya

Meghalaya Chief Minister (CM) Conrad K Sangma and Union development of north-eastern region (DoNER) minister Jyotiraditya Scindia announced that a skywalk project is set to come up at Mawkdok in East Khasi Hills. This will be the first such project for the north-east region. The project aims to further boost tourism in the region.

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Mizoram CM launches Urban Forest scheme

Mizoram Chief Minister (CM) Lalduhoma launched the Urban Forest scheme at Serchhip. The project cost has been estimated at INR1.32 crore. The initiative features extensive tree plantations covering 50 hectares, six water harvesting structures, check dams, nature trails and an interpretation hall.

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NVVN invites bids for rooftop solar systems in Nagaland, Manipur and Assam

The NTPC Vidyut Vyapar Nigam (NVVN) has invited bids for grid-connected rooftop solar systems with a cumulative capacity of 7.2 MW in 26 buildings under the Assam Rifles in Nagaland, Manipur and Assam.

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Uttar Pradesh

UP and Netherlands sign MoU to strengthen agricultural innovation

Uttar Pradesh government signed an MoU with the Netherlands to strengthen agricultural innovation and cooperation. Chief Minister (CM) Yogi Adityanath, while addressing the Krishi Bharat event, said that the state plays a vital role in the field of agriculture.

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Uttar Pradesh govt procures 286,000 MT of paddy

The Uttar Pradesh government procured 286,000 metric tonnes (MT) of paddy as of 13 November 2024. This amounts to an increase of 65,820 MT compared to the corresponding period in 2023-24. Payments to 42,845 farmers have also been expedited, with INR540 crore disbursed so far.

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Uttar Pradesh tops in Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme

Uttar Pradesh has emerged as the top performing state in the Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS). As per The Times of India, the state has accomplished 62 per cent physical progress and 47 per cent financial progress. The state fulfilled a maximum demand of 30,618 MW, the highest nation-wide.

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Uttar Pradesh govt to launch new defence and aerospace policy

The Uttar Pradesh government has decided to come up with a new defence and aerospace policy. The fresh draft of the policy proposes to promote the manufacturing of products, technology & resources needed in the defence and aerospace sector.

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Uttarakhand

Uttarakhand CS approves proposal to install gas-insulated substation

Uttarakhand chief secretary (CS) Radha Raturi approved a proposal to install the state's first gas-insulated substation (GIS) in Badrinath to ensure round-the-clock power supply in the holy town. The CS accorded assent to various other projects under the Badrinath Dham Master Plan.

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Baur Reservoir in Uttarakhand's Gularbhoj to get facelift

A total of INR90 Lakhs has been approved for the beautification and expansion of Baur Reservoir in Uttarakhand's Gularbhoj. The objective is to bolster its appeal as a premier tourist destination.

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Union Territories

Puducherry CM launches portal for starting new school

Puducherry Chief Minister (CM) N Rangasamy inaugurated a portal to facilitate the processing of online applications to obtain government permission for a host of purposes by the management of private schools in the union territory (UT).

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JAKEDA floats e-tenders for installing 344 MW of solar rooftop plants

The JAKEDA has floated e-tenders for installing 344 MW of solar rooftop plants across the union territory (UT). This includes 70 MW for 8,548 government buildings under capex mode and 238 MW for 9,877 buildings. under the RESCO mode.

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President inaugurates Vidya Mandir in Silvassa, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

President Droupadi Murmu inaugurated the Swami Vivekananda Vidya Mandir school at Zanda Chowk in Silvassa, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu. Besides this, the President interacted with students and faculty members from various educational institution.

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J&K admin plans to establish 3,000 dairy farms

The Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) administration is planning to establish 3,000 dairy farms across the union territory (UT). The project is expected to significantly enhance milk production and collection over the next five years.

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West Bengal

West Bengal govt to reconstitute 16 development boards under GTA

The West Bengal government has decided to reconstitute 16 development boards under the Gorkhaland Territorial Administration (GTA) within the next 1.5 months. It would also set up a cell to monitor their functions. The information was shared by Chief Minister (CM) Mamata Banerjee .

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CM asks officials to construct homes for individuals left out of PMAY

West Bengal Chief Minister (CM) Mamata Banerjee has directed the officials concerned to construct homes for individuals who have been left out of the Centre's Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY). This reflects the state government's commitment to address housing needs in the region.

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