



# Regional Developments

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## Andhra Pradesh

### Andhra Pradesh govt to develop new film policy

The Andhra Pradesh government is working on developing a new film policy, which will be announced soon. The information was shared by state tourism & culture minister Kandula Durgesh on 13 April 2025. As part of the plan, proper infrastructure will be established including studios, recording theatres and re-recording facilities.

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### Andhra Pradesh to get new religious tourism circuit

The Andhra Pradesh tourism department and Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD) has decided to unveil a new religious tourism circuit, allowing devotees visiting Tirupati to explore the shrines in the vicinity of the world-famous Tirumala temple.

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### Andhra Pradesh's Rayachoti to get major facelift

The Rayachoti Assembly constituency in Andhra Pradesh's Anamayya district is set to get a facelift in the coming months. A series of developmental activities are in the pipeline for the same, said state transport minister Mandipalli Ramprasad Reddy on 13 April 2025.

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### Andhra Pradesh IT minister lays foundation for 100-bedded hospital in Mangalagir

Andhra Pradesh information technology (IT) & human resources development minister Nara Lokesh laid the foundation for a 100-bedded government hospital in Mangalagiri mandal. The new hospital would have orthopaedic, gynaecology, general medicine & general surgery departments.

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## Bihar

### Bihar Cabinet takes slew of decisions

The Bihar Cabinet approved recruitment to 27,370 posts in various government departments. The state health department will have the maximum recruitment at over 20,000 posts. The creation of 3,306 'assistant Urdu translator' posts in the state has also been approved.

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### Bihar approves 30 per cent hike in salary of rank of MoS & deputy ministers

The Bihar government has approved a 30 per cent hike in the salary & allowances of the rank of minister of state (MoS) and deputy ministers.

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## Chhattisgarh

### CM lays foundation for GaN-based semiconductor fabrication unit

CM Vishnu Deo Sai laid the foundation stone for the country's first ultra-edge technology-based Gallium Nitride (GaN)-based semiconductor fabrication unit in Nava Raipur. The state-of-the-art facility will produce high-frequency GaN chips, catering to advanced 5G and 6G telecommunications infrastructure.

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### State implements Naxalite Surrender/Victim Relief and Rehabilitation Policy

The state implemented the Naxalite Surrender/Victim Relief and Rehabilitation Policy for areas affected by Naxalite violence. The new policy has been formulated to rehabilitate and provide relief to individuals & families affected by Naxalite violence, as well as to those Naxalites who choose to surrender.

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### Chhattisgarh govt launches new office space in Nava Raipur for IT companies

The Chhattisgarh government has allocated fully furnished office space to IT companies in the commercial Tower of the Central Business District (CBD) in Nava Raipur.

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## Gujarat

### Gujarat govt hikes daily allowance for fixed-pay employees

The Gujarat government has hiked the daily allowance for fixed-pay employees across state government offices. The aim is to offer better financial support to contract-based workers who have been appointed under the state's fixed-salary policy.

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### Union minister lays foundation stone for seed research centre in Gujarat

Union home minister Amit Shah recently laid the foundation stone for a seed research centre at the Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Limited's (IFFCO) Kalol unit in Gujarat. The Beej Anusandhan Kendra aims to boost agricultural productivity and innovation.

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### CM inaugurates the Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCI)'s annual trade expo 'GATE 2025'

CM Bhupendra Patel inaugurated the GCCI's annual trade expo 'GATE 2025' in Ahmedabad in the virtual presence of Union Home and Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah. On this occasion, the souvenir of 'GATE 2025' was unveiled by the dignitaries present.

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## Goa

### Goa govt to launch 4 fully-aided specialised degree programmes

The Goa government has decided to launch four specialised programmes with full aid at the Government College in Pernem, allowing students to study these programmes at a subsidised fee. The programmes include Bachelor of Science (BSc) in Sports & Exercise Science, BSc in Psychology, BSc in Biotechnology and BBA.

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### Goa govt allocates INR2 crore for 'Skill-on-Wheels' programme

The state has allocated INR2 crore for the 'Skill-on-Wheels' programme, which seeks to ensure the safety of factory workers and upskill rural youths. Through this initiative, the state government aims to provide hands-on industrial safety training to youths in rural areas.

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### Goa Cabinet approves Suits Valuation Bill

The Goa Suits Valuation Bill aims to provide a new framework for valuing suits in the state, aligning with the provisions of the Goa Court Fees Act. This will ensure consistency & clarity in the valuation process, which is essential for determining court fees and jurisdiction.

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## Haryana

### PM lays foundation for various development projects in Yamuna Nagar

Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi laid the foundation stones of various development projects in Yamuna Nagar, Haryana, today. This includes a thermal power plant having a capacity of 800 MW. Besides this, he flagged off the first commercial flight between Hisar and Ayodhya. Foundation stone was also laid for a new terminal at Hisar airport.

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### Haryana govt to give scholarships to SC, OBC students

The Haryana government has decided to give full scholarships to all students from the Scheduled Caste (SC) and Other Backward Class (OBC) communities studying medical & engineering courses in any government college in India from the current academic session. The information was shared by state CM Nayab Singh Saini on 13 April 2025.

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### Haryana govt to set up Sikh museum in Kurukshetra

The state has decided to set up a Sikh museum on an area of 1.6 hectares in Kurukshetra. The decision has been taken so that the Sikh community remains connected with its history and the next generations are informed about the great sacrifices of the Sikh gurus.

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## Himachal Pradesh

### Himachal Pradesh govt to adopt education policy

The Himachal Pradesh government is set to adopt an education policy that ensures the holistic development of students. In addition, it has signed an agreement with the Principals Academy in Singapore to provide world-class training to teachers.

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### Himachal Pradesh CM inaugurates 8 major developmental projects in Bilaspur

CM Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu virtually dedicated eight major developmental projects to the people of the Bilaspur district. Among the key initiatives were the launch of water sports activities at Kol Dam and the inauguration of a 110 kW rooftop solar power plant at the DC office, constructed at a cost of INR70 lakh.

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### State govt to invest INR2,400 crore for developing new tourist destinations

CM Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu, plans to invest INR2,400 crore in developing new tourist destinations, including 200 hotels and wellness centers. The state aims to become the country's tourism capital by promoting water sports in Gobind Sagar Lake and upgrading facilities at Shree Naina Devi Temple with a budget of INR100 crores.

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## Karnataka

### Karnataka's 'patteda anchu' sarees get GI tag

Karnataka's 'patteda anchu' sarees recently received the Geographical Indication (GI) tag. These traditional handloom sarees are from North Karnataka's Ilkal, Betageri, Gajendragad and other parts.

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### Karnataka plans to set up solar-cum-wind power plants of 19,000 MW by 2030

The Karnataka government is set to float tenders for setting up solar-cum-wind power plants totalling around 19,000 MW with common battery storage and transmission lines. The plan is to achieve this feat by 2030.

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### State approves Platform-Based Gig Workers (Social Security & Welfare) Bill

The Karnataka Cabinet approved the Karnataka Platform-Based Gig Workers (Social Security and Welfare) Bill. The state government plans to bring in an Act to ensure the setting up of a welfare board for gig workers, in line with the welfare board for construction workers.

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## Odisha

### Odisha University (Amendment) Act comes into effect

The Odisha University (Amendment) Act has come into effect in the state following the assent of Governor Dr. Haribabu Kambhampati. The Act will bring transformative changes aimed at strengthening the education system, addressing longstanding challenges and enhancing academic excellence.

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### Odisha govt forms high-level task force to accelerate industrialization

The Odisha government has constituted a high-level task force to accelerate the pace of industrialisation. This will be ensured by the early grounding of proposed investments and expediting pending infrastructure projects in the state.

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### Odisha CM proposes more CIPET centres in state

CM) Mohan Charan Majhi has proposed to additional Central Institutes of Petrochemicals Engineering and Technology (CIPET) in the state. He emphasised that the state has immense growth potential in the petrochemical industry, which requires a skilled workforce.

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## Maharashtra

### Maharashtra govt mandates Farmer ID to avail of agriculture schemes

The Maharashtra government has made it mandatory for all farmers to quote their unique Farmer ID to avail themselves of state government schemes from 15 April 2025. The move is aimed at curbing corruption and plugging leakages. It is expected to streamline the delivery of benefits and ensure only genuine beneficiaries are included.

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### CM announces major relief package for farmers, electricity consumers

Maharashtra Chief Minister (CM) Devendra Fadnavis announced a major relief package for the farming community and electricity consumers across the state. He said that by December 2026, around 80 per cent of the state's farmers will receive 12 hours of free daytime electricity throughout the year.

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### Bike pooling to become legal in Maharashtra

Bike pooling is set to become legal soon in Maharashtra. This will reduce vehicular pollution and decongest roads. The new initiative will allow private two-wheeler owners to share rides for a fare after framing rules.

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## Madhya Pradesh

### MP govt allows cooperative societies to operate petrol pumps, medical stores

The MP government has allowed cooperative societies to operate petrol pumps, medical stores and other services. The cooperative sector holds immense potential and multi-purpose cooperative societies are being used to expand such activities in the state.

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### Madhya Pradesh govt plans to increase milk production rate by 20 per cent

The state government is planning to increase its milk production rate by at least 20 per cent. Notably, the state's current milk production rate is nine per cent. CM Mohan Yadav also announced that the state government would implement the Kamdhenu Gau Palan Yojana to promote the use of cow-based products and rural development through cow rearing.

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### Madhya Pradesh CM launches new train from Ambedkar Nagar

Lok Sabha (LS) Speaker Om Birla and CM Mohan Yadav launched a new train from Ambedkar Nagar to New Delhi via Kota in Rajasthan. The train would cover 848-km in 13 hours, connecting 15 important cities and destinations in Madhya Pradesh & Rajasthan.

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## Tamil Nadu

### Tamil Nadu govt notifies 10 laws stalled by Governor

The Tamil Nadu government has notified 10 laws that were stalled by Governor RN Ravi. The move comes following a landmark Supreme Court (SC) ruling that his decision to reserve the re-adopted bills for the President's assent was unconstitutional. The laws include Tamil Nadu Fisheries University (Amendment) Act, Tamil Nadu Veterinary & Animal Sciences University (Amendment) Act, Tamil Nadu Universities Laws (Amendment) Act and Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University (Amendment) Act, among others.

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### SR announces special train services between key destinations in Tamil Nadu

The SR has announced special train services between Sir M Visvesvaraya Terminal (SMVT) Bengaluru and key destinations in Kerala & Tamil Nadu via Coimbatore, Tiruppur, Erode & Salem junctions.

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### Centre approves construction of airport in Parandur, Tamil Nadu

The Union Ministry of Civil Aviation has given its in-principle nod for the much-anticipated second airport in Chennai. Estimated to cost INR20,000 crore, the greenfield project aims to address the increasing air traffic demand in the metropolitan region.

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## Kerala

### Kerala govt launches new Excise Policy

The Kerala government has launched its new Excise Policy. The policy aims to modernise toddy shops and make them accessible to families. Standard design with quality amenities will be set and cleanliness ensured at outlets. The shops will also serve traditional food. The policy promotes export of toddy and value-added products.

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### Kerala health dept sounds alert over chikungunya

The Kerala health department has sounded an alert in the wake of the outbreak of chikungunya in Reunion Islands, a French colony located off the eastern coast of Africa. The previous outbreak in the state was followed by an outbreak in Reunion Islands in 2006-07.

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### Kerala govt allocates INR2,220 crore to local self-governments

Kerala's government has sanctioned over INR2,228 crore to local self-governments, with a major portion designated for various panchayats and municipalities. This funding, announced by State Finance Minister K N Balagopal, enables local bodies to initiate new development projects for the financial year beginning in April.

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## Rajasthan

### Over 2.26 Crore Beneficiaries in Rajasthan Empowered by MUDRA Yojana

Over 2.26 crore people in Rajasthan were given loans of more than INR1.7 lakh crore under the Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) in the last 10 years. Out of these, more than 780,000 people have benefitted under the Tarun category.

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### Mustard production in Rajasthan estimated at 5.5 mt

Mustard production in Rajasthan is estimated at 5.5 million tonnes this season, down from 6.2 mt last year. However, commodity traders estimate this year's production to be around 5.1 mt. The main reason behind the decline in production is believed to be less sowing.

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### Rajasthan govt sets sights to become energy surplus, says minister

The state government is determined to make Rajasthan an energy-surplus state, said Heeralal Nagar, Minister of State for Energy (independent charge). According to the plan, the state government aims to produce 30 gigawatts (Gw) of solar power by the end of the financial year 2025-26 (FY25) to become self-reliant in the energy sector..

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## Punjab

### Punjab govt approves OTR policy for property allottees of improvement trusts

The Punjab government has approved a one-time relaxation (OTR) policy for property allottees of the improvement trusts concerning non-construction fee and outstanding allotment amounts. The information was shared by state local government minister Dr. Ravjot Singh.

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### Punjab's rice-wheat cropping pattern leads to severe groundwater depletion

The Punjab government's Economic Survey 2024-25 has warned that the state's rice-wheat cropping pattern, coupled with free electricity, has led to severe groundwater depletion. As per the survey, this cropping system is becoming economically & ecologically unviable, given the deterioration of soil health and squeezing of farm incomes as the cost of cultivation increases.

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## Telangana

### INR85 crore sanctioned for upgrading govt hospitals in Telangana's Nizamabad, Kamareddy

The Telangana government has sanctioned INR85 crore for the upgrading and development of government hospitals in Nizamabad and Kamareddy. The aim is to boost the healthcare infrastructure in north Telangana.

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### State to accelerate growth of Quantum Technology ecosystem in Hyderabad

The Telangana government, in collaboration with NITI Aayog's Frontier Tech Hub (FTH), has decided to launch a strategic initiative aimed at accelerating the growth of the Quantum Technology ecosystem in Hyderabad. As part of it, the state government will introduce the Quantum Frontier Tech Charter, a roadmap to position the state as a leading quantum technology hub in India.

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### Water level declines in irrigation projects of Telangana

The water level in Telangana's irrigation projects is dipping alarmingly in both the Krishna and Godavari basins. The Nagarjuna Sagar project is increasingly under pressure. It is nearing its minimum drawdown level. While current levels are slightly better compared to last year, the situation remains worrisome. If the water levels dip by another foot, the Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board may have to depend on emergency pumping.

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## North-East

### Tripura govt to establish cultural hub worth INR32.5 crore

The Tripura government has decided to establish a cultural hub with financial assistance of the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER). The information was shared by Chief Minister (CM) Manik Saha. A total of INR32.5 crore has been allocated for the project.

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### Meghalaya govt proposes to make Khasi, Garo languages compulsory for students till class IV

The Meghalaya education department has released a draft proposal to make Khasi and Garo compulsory languages for students up to class IV across the state. The aim is to strengthen multilingual education and promote cultural understanding.

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### Mizoram govt to construct Bru house and hostel in Aizawl

The Mizoram government has decided to construct a Bru house and hostel in Aizawl to fulfill the long-standing demand of the Bru community in the state. Financial provision has already been made for the project, said Chief Minister Lalduhoma.

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### BJP launches 'Gaon Chalo Abhiyan' in Nagaland

The BJP has formally launched the 'Gaon Chalo Abhiyan' in Nagaland. The aim is to strengthen grassroots outreach and promote awareness of central government welfare initiatives. The programme will act as a nationwide effort to connect with citizens in remote areas and highlight the transformative changes under the state government.

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### Mizoram govt disburses INR670,000 to 13 empanelled hospitals

The Mizoram government has disbursed over Rs.670,000 to 13 empanelled hospitals for expenses related to cashless treatment for patients during the first week of launching of the Mizoram Universal Health Care Scheme (MUHCS).

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### Tripura's first solar village to be established at Rangachhera

Tripura's first solar village will be established at Rangachhera in the Mohanpur subdivision of West Tripura district. The information was shared by state power minister Ratan Lal Nath on 11 April 2025. Rangachhera has around 600 households and the state government aims to bring all of them under the solar energy net.

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## Uttar Pradesh

### Uttar Pradesh emerges as growth engine of India

UP has emerged as the growth engine of the country by contributing to the country's development and realising the vision of a developed India. The state is the first one in the country to have succeeded in more than doubling its GSDP and per capita income.

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### UPSRTC set to launch bus service connecting Jewar Airport & Greater Noida

The Uttar Pradesh State Road Transport Corporation (UPSRTC) is set to launch a new bus service connecting Jewar Airport to Greater Noida's Pari Chowk to boost public transportation in the Yamuna Expressway Industrial Development Authority (YEIDA) region.

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### PM inaugurates, lays foundation stones for projects in UP's Varanasi

PM Narendra Modi inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of 44 projects worth INR3,880 crore in Varanasi. Among the projects inaugurated are schemes focused on rural development, including 130 drinking water projects, 100 new anganwadi centres, 356 libraries, a polytechnic college in Pindra, and a government degree college.

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## Uttarakhand

### Uttarakhand govt sanctions funds for various works

The Uttarakhand government has sanctioned INR379.4 lakhs for constructing an access road near Kali river. This project is expected to improve infrastructure and connectivity in the region, which is crucial for both local residents and security personnel.

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### Uttarakhand govt to provide free Badrinath pilgrimage to ex-servicemen

The state government has decided to provide free pilgrimage opportunities to Badrinath Dham to ex-servicemen and dependents of martyrs who are above 60 years of age. The free pilgrimage will begin with the upcoming Char Dham yatra. Besides this, ex-gratia for the dependents of soldiers killed during service has been increased from INR10 lakh to 50 lakh.

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### Corbett Tiger Reserve to launch initiatives to prevent man-animal conflicts

Corbett Tiger Reserve administration has come up with some initiatives to prevent man-animal conflicts. As part of the same, radio collars will be fitted on the reserve's tigers. The tigers will be tranquilised after which the radio collars will be fitted on them.

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## Union Territories

### Delhi CM announces plans to set up Atal Canteens near slum clusters

CM Rekha Gupta announced plans to set up Atal Canteens near slum clusters and construction sites in the city. The aim is to provide food for every citizen in the national capital. At these canteens, nutritious meals will be provided only for INR5 to persons from economically weaker sections.

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### Puducherry admin organises special registration drive for unorganised workers

The Puducherry administration has organised a special registration drive to enroll unorganised workers on the central government's e-Shram portal. This initiative is part of a nation-wide effort by the Union ministry of labour & employment to identify and support informal sector workers through various central welfare schemes.

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### Puducherry admin to develop SOPs for tourist boat operators

The Puducherry administration is planning to develop SOPs for tourist boat operators in the UT. This has come after tour guides and local tourists have been raising apprehensions about the safety aspect of fishing boats and skills of the engine drivers.

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### J&K minister flags off bus service from Jammu to Nowshera via Seri

Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) deputy chief minister Surinder Kumar Choudhary flagged off a bus service from Jammu to Nowshera via Seri. The daily bus service will benefit thousands of people who faced many difficulties in up-down travel from the designated area earlier.

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## West Bengal

### West Bengal govt to start 78 solid waste management projects

The state has decided to start 78 solid waste management projects across the state to maintain cleanliness in forests and tourist hotspots. The state authorities have decided to implement solid waste management programmes at forest and tourist sites across the state.

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### West Bengal govt allocates INR1,400 crore to PWD

In the beginning of the financial year 2025-26, the West Bengal government decided to lift the face of the road transport and for this reason, state government already allocated Rs 1400 crore for the PWD. This money specially spend for the development of the rural roads.

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