



Regional Developments

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Andhra Pradesh

Andhra Pradesh govt fast-tracks processes to implement Rs.819 bln PBLP

The state government has fast-tracked all processes to get the Rs.819 billion Polavaram-Banakacherla Link Project (PBLP) moving at the earliest. The project seeks to supply water to state's arid regions. Within days of the state government submitting its project proposal to the Union environment ministry for environmental clearance, the latter's Expert Appraisal Committee for River Valley Projects is set to examine it for approval soon.

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CRDA approves infrastructure works worth Rs.10.5 bln in Amaravati

The Capital Region Development Authority (CRDA) has approved the proposal to invite tenders worth Rs.10.5 billion for providing infrastructure in 586.7 hectares of the Amaravati Government Complex area. It will house major institutions including a seven-storey High Court, a 50-storey Secretariat and four 42-storey heads of departments (HOD) towers.

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Centre approves 2 RoBs in Andhra Pradesh's Guntur

The Centre has approved the construction of two crucial road overbridges (RoBs) in Andhra Pradesh's Guntur district. The sanctioned projects will come up at Syamalanagar Level Crossing and Sanjeevaiah Nagar Level Crossing, with a combined cost of over Rs.1.5 billion.

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Belum Caves in Andhra Pradesh declared geological heritage site

The Belum Caves in Andhra Pradesh have been included in the geological heritage list by the Geological Survey of India (GSI). Located in Kolimigundla mandal of Nandyal district, Belum Caves represent ancient culture and heritage.

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Bihar

Bihar logged 891 girls per 1,000 boys in 2022, lowest sex ratio at birth

Bihar has recorded the lowest sex ratio at birth (SRB) in India for 2022, with just 891 girls born for every 1,000 boys, according to the latest Vital Statistics of India based on the Civil Registration System (CRS) report released by the Office of the Registrar General of India.

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Bihar kicks off countdown to 11th International Yoga Day sessions

In the run up to the 11th World Yoga Day, a special one-week Yoga practice session comprising a large number of athletes, players and other enthusiasts started today at Patliputra Sports Complex in Kankarbagh in Patna.

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Chhattisgarh

Chhattisgarh police replace Persian, Urdu terms with simple Hindi

The Chhattisgarh government has replaced Urdu and Persian words used in police official records with Hindi terms that can be easily understood by a layperson, in order to make policing more accessible, transparent and communicative.

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Over 56,000 people trained in water conservation techniques in Chhattisgarh

The state government has launched an ambitious grassroots initiative titled 'Mor Gaon Mor Pani' (My Village, My Water) under which till now more than 56,000 villagers, panchayat representatives, and field workers across Chhattisgarh have been trained.

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Union Government approves Rs 307 crore for Keshkal bypass road

The Union government has approved a four-lane bypass road to be built at the cost of Rs 307.96 crore in Keshkal of Chhattisgarh's Kondagaon district to strengthen road connectivity. The bypass will remove traffic bottlenecks in the Keshkal Ghat section and ensure smooth, safe and uninterrupted travel.

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Gujarat

Gujarat govt to launch Early Warning System to curb school dropouts

The Gujarat government has devised an artificial intelligence (AI)-based 'Early Warning System' to curb dropouts. The system will provide information and send out alerts on potential dropouts in classes VIII and IX. It is aimed at identifying students at risk of dropping out of school at the secondary level, based on identification of key indicators.

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Gujarat CM approves Rs.1 bln for 149 municipalities

CM Bhupendra Patel has approved the allocation of a total grant of Rs.1 billion to 149 municipalities across the state under the Mukhyamantri Shaheri Sadak Yojana. The amount will be used to resurface and repair roads across the state that have been severely damaged due to heavy rains during this year's monsoon.

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Tata Electronics builds India's 1st semiconductor fabrication unit in Dholera

Tata Group is establishing India's first semiconductor fabrication facility in Dholera. Gujarat is supporting the project by building residential accommodations for Tata employees and vendors. The first chip production is expected by December 2026..

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Goa

Goa govt introduces Bhagwan Birsa Munda Lakshya Siddhi Yojana

The Goa government has introduced the Bhagwan Birsa Munda Lakshya Siddhi Yojana. The scheme aims to support Scheduled Tribe (ST) students preparing for the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET) and Joint Entrance Examination (JEE). It seeks to improve access to quality coaching by offering full and partial fee reimbursements.

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Goa govt approves State Heritage Policy

The policy aims to conserve, protect and promote the state's unique cultural, historical & natural heritage. It envisages including heritage conservation in academic curricula and promoting heritage tourism through curated experiences.

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Major reservoirs across Goa fast nearing halfway mark in water levels

Major reservoirs across Goa are fast nearing the halfway mark in water levels within just two weeks of rainfall. The Selaulim reservoir in Uguem, Sanguem, which supplies water to a large part of south Goa, is already 50 per cent full. If the rains continue at the present pace, the dam may witness its annual spillover earlier than the usual 7 July 2025.

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Haryana

State Govt. to connect Global City project with Delhi-Gurugram Expressway

The Haryana govt is planning to construct a road connecting the Delhi-Gurugram E-way with the under-construction Global City project coming up on Pataudi Road in Gurugram Sector 36. As per the (GMDA), the 60-metre-wide road, once completed, will provide improved connectivity between NH-8, sectors 82 to 89, Pataudi Road and Sultanpur Lake.

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Haryana govt hikes wages of sanitation workers by Rs.2,100 per month

The state has hiked the wages of sanitation workers by Rs.2,100 per month. CM Nayab Singh has also announced that a 100-bedded de-addiction centre will be set up at the upcoming Sirsa medical college and a 30-bedded new de-addiction centre near hospital in Ellenabad.

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Haryana CM inaugurates first commercial Hisar-Chandigarh flight

CM Nayab Singh Saini flagged off a direct commercial flight from Hisar's Maharaja Agrasen International Airport to Shaheed Bhagat Singh International Airport in Chandigarh. Following this, the aerial distance between two cities will be covered in 70 minutes.

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Himachal Pradesh

Centre sanctions Rs.555.1 million for Phina Singh irrigation project

The central government has sanctioned Rs.555.1 million for the Phina Singh irrigation project in Himachal Pradesh's Kangra district. The funds have been allocated under the AIBP of the PMKSY for states annual plan 2025-26. The project aims to interlink Kalam Nallah and Chaki River, two tributaries of the Beas river flowing through Nurpur.

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Himachal Pradesh's Shimla police takes steps to ensure smooth traffic flow

Shimla police have implemented special measures to ensure smooth traffic flow and public safety. This has come in view of the ongoing summer tourist season and the significant rise in vehicular traffic across the city.

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HP govt not to release advance estimates of apple boxes this year

The Himachal Pradesh government has decided not to release the advance estimates of apple boxes this year. The decision has been taken as such projections often distort market dynamics and result in financial losses for orchardists.

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Karnataka

Centre sanctions Rs.1.9 bln for working women's hostels, water facilities

The Centre has sanctioned Rs.1.9 billion for constructing working women's hostels and water facilities supporting iPhone contract manufacturer Tata Electronics at the Narasapura industrial area in Karnataka's Kolar district.

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Karnataka govt allocates Rs.120 mln for revamped Shravana Sanjeevini scheme

The Karnataka government has approved the revamp and implementation of the Shravana Sanjeevini scheme for this year, with an allocation of Rs.120 million. The revised scheme aims to strengthen early detection & intervention for hearing loss in children, including support for cochlear implant surgeries and maintenance of devices.

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Karnataka CM seeks hike in devolution of funds from Centre to 50%

On 13 June 2025, Karnataka Chief Minister (CM) Siddaramaiah demanded that the share of taxes devolved to states be increased to at least 50 per cent and cess & surcharges be capped at five per cent in the 16th Finance Commission (FC). The move aims to overcome a stark imbalance in the devolution of funds from the Centre to the state.

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Kerala

Kerala govt approves CBG plant project at Njeliyanparamba

The Kerala government has approved the setting up of the compressed biogas (CBG) plant project at Njeliyanparamba. The project will be executed by the Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) at a cost of Rs.990 million. The plant is expected to take two years to materialise.

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Projects to prevent coastal erosion yet to take off in Kerala

The state government has collaborated with international agencies like the ADB and the World Bank for external financial assistance as it lacks funds for large-scale intervention to protect the shoreline.

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Price of eggs witnesses rise in Kerala

The price of eggs has been continuously climbing sharply in Kerala. This is fueling concerns among traders, suppliers and consumers. The availability of eggs remains critically low, despite the onset of peak trading season. Retail egg prices, which previously ranged from Rs.5 to Rs.6 per piece, have now risen to Rs.7.

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Madhya Pradesh

MP govt signs MoU with French Embassy and Alliance Francaise

On 13 June 2025, a tripartite MoU was signed between the MP govt., French Embassy and Alliance Francaise. The agreement seeks to strengthen long-term cooperation between France and Madhya Pradesh in the field of culture & tourism. It aims to boost the state's culture, tourism & education and showcase MP as India's cultural & tourism capital.

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Madhya Pradesh govt not to procure moong on MSP

The Madhya Pradesh government has decided not to procure moong on minimum support price (MSP). The decision was taken by Chief Minister (CM) Mohan Yadav during talks with the representatives of the Bharatiya Kisan Sangh (BKS).

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MP govt plans to establish wildlife rescue centres at divisional level

The Madhya Pradesh government is planning to establish wildlife rescue centres across the state. These centres aim to ensure better care and recovery of wildlife in familiar environments. Currently, the state has only one wildlife rescue centre at Van Vihar in Bhopal.

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Maharashtra

Maharashtra's Nagpur to get helicopter production facility worth Rs.80 bln

The Maharashtra government has signed an agreement with Max Aerospace and Aviation Private Limited to establish a helicopter production facility worth Rs.80 billion in Nagpur. The project will also house a world-class centre of excellence focused on rotary-wing platforms, offering services like customisation, integration and flight testing.

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Revised diluted draft of Special Public Security Bill to be tabled in July

A revised diluted draft of the Maharashtra Special Public Security Bill is set to be tabled during the monsoon session. The Bill seeks to curb the rising influence of naxalism in urban areas. It was initially tabled in July 2024 and was termed repressive & anti-people as it gave the state government sweeping powers to crack down on Naxal or leftist activities.

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Maharashtra govt to introduce No shortage, no wastage policy

The state has decided to introduce 'No shortage, no wastage policy' to help regulate & plan blood collection and usage more efficiently. State public health minister Prakash Abitkar also instructed officials to prepare new guidelines for issuing NOC to set up blood banks.

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Odisha

Odisha SLSWCA approves 17 proposals worth Rs.38.6 bln

The proposed projects are expected to generate 10,584 employment across 11 districts. These projects span a wide-range of sectors including plastics, textiles & apparel, technical textiles, electronics system design & manufacturing (ESDM), food processing, power and renewable energy, tourism, logistics & infrastructure, chemicals and steel.

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State govt. mandates Aadhaar for availing state-level services and certificates

The state has made Aadhaar mandatory for availing various services and certificates. The aim is to simplify the service delivery process, ensure authenticity through identity verification and facilitate direct benefit transfers by verifying beneficiaries' eligibility through Aadhaar.

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Odisha govt to use AI for optimising use of water resources

The Odisha government has decided to undertake measures to deploy artificial intelligence (AI) and other advanced computer technologies for optimising use of water resources. This will help farmers strengthen disaster preparedness.

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North-East

Meghalaya govt to strengthen Residents Safety and Security Act

The Meghalaya Cabinet decided to revisit the Meghalaya Residents Safety and Security Act (MRSSA). The aim is to further strengthen the Act to better prevent criminal activities carried out under the guise of tourism. As part of the revamp, the state government will address loopholes, introduce stronger enforcement and ensure a secure yet tourist-friendly atmosphere.

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Tripura govt develops 3 paddy varieties capable of withstanding floods

The Tripura government has developed three new paddy varieties capable of withstanding floods. These include Swarna Sub I, IR8 and Arundhuti. These paddy varieties can survive underwater for up to 15 days. Their rollout will be a game-changer for the state's farming community.

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Mizoram govt to corporatise power and electricity department

The state is set to corporatise the state power & electricity (P&E) department. This initiative is aimed at improving efficiency, service delivery and governance. As per the proposed plan, the unbundling process will begin by separating the P&E department into three key functional segments i.e., generation, transmission and distribution.

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Nagaland sets target to bring back 100,000 students into schools by 2030

The Nagaland govt has set a target to bring back 100,000 students into state-run schools by 2030. The information was shared by advisor, school education and SCERT, Nagaland, Dr. Kekhriehuoлие Yhome on 13 June 2025.

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Arunachal Pradesh govt declares 2025 to 2035 as 'Decade of Hydro Power'

The Arunachal Pradesh government has declared 2025 to 2035 as the 'Decade of Hydro Power'. The decision aims to harness the state's immense hydropower potential, estimated at 58,000 MW, the highest in the country.

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Mizoram govt to set up 'Hulhliap Short Stay Centre' for drug addicts

The Mizoram has decided to step up efforts to provide structured care for drug addicts. The plan is to come up with a 'Hulhliap Short Stay Centre' which would offer a 20-day structured programme where individuals in the early stages of recovery could access detoxification services, basic healthcare and counselling.

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Punjab

Punjab govt issues public advisory amid spike in COVID-19 cases

On 13 June 2025, the Punjab government issued a public advisory amid a spike in coronavirus (COVID-19) cases. The advisory has mandated elderly, pregnant women, immunocompromised and people with health issues to wear a facemask in crowded or closed places. It also insisted healthcare staff to follow COVID-19 protocols.

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Punjab minister flags off 46 hi-tech ambulances

Punjab health and family welfare minister Dr. Balbir Singh flagged off 46 hi-tech ambulances to enhance the emergency medical services across the state. With this, the state's emergency ambulance fleet has increased to 371.

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Punjab minister flags off 730 advanced sewer cleaning machines

Punjab local government minister Dr. Ravjot Singh flagged off a fleet of 730 advanced cleaning machines worth Rs.395.6 million for 150 municipalities. The fleet includes jetting-cum-suction machines, grab bucket machines, compact mouse jettors and environment-friendly e-rickshaw-mounted desilting machines.

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Rajasthan

Nissan opens five new dealerships in Rajasthan

Nissan has expanded its network in India with the simultaneous launch of five new touchpoints in Rajasthan. The new facilities include a showroom and a service workshop in Jaipur, a comprehensive 3S centre in Udaipur and a new showroom in Ajmer.

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Rajasthan govt plans 2,000 mini buses in Jaipur for transit boost

The Rajasthan government is planning to strengthen Jaipur's public transport system through the operation of over 2,000 mini buses, with the Metro phase 2 construction expected to take over four to five years.

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Use Hindi words instead of Urdu, Persian: Rajasthan's new directive to police

Rajasthan's Minister of State Jawahar Singh Bedham on directed the state's police department to replace Urdu and Persian terms in official documentation with Hindi or English alternatives.

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Tamil Nadu

Tamil Nadu govt notifies amendments to Goondas Act

The state govt. has notified amendments to the TN Prevention of Dangerous Activities of Bootleggers, Cyber Law Offenders, Drug Offenders, Forest Offenders, Goondas, Immoral Traffic Offenders, Sand Offenders, Sexual Offenders, Slum-Grabbers and Video Pirates Act.

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8.1 mln people benefited from CM Comprehensive Health Insurance Scheme

Over 8.1 million people have benefited from the CM Comprehensive Health Insurance Scheme. These beneficiaries have benefited with an insurance amount of Rs.58.7 billion. Out of the total, 2.5 million beneficiaries have been treated in state-run hospitals at an insurance cost of Rs.27.5 billion.

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State allocates Rs.200 mln for phase-II construction of CoE for paediatrics

The TN health department has recently allocated Rs.200 million for phase-II construction of the CoE for paediatrics at the Government Rajaji Hospital (GRH) in Madurai.

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Telangana

Telangana govt hikes DA of its employees by 3.4%

The DA has been increased from 26.3 per cent of basic pay to 30 per cent of basic pay from 1 January 2023. The revision will be applicable to the employees of zilla parishads, mandal parishads, gram panchayats, municipalities, municipal corporations, agricultural market committees and zilla grandhalaya samasthas, work-charged establishments, who are drawing pay in a regular scale in the Revised Pay Scales.

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Telangana govt to construct 2 million houses in next 4 years

The Telangana government has set an ambitious target to construct two million houses over the next four years. The initiative will be backed by a budget of Rs.225 billion. It aims to uplift housing standards for the underprivileged across the state.

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Telangana govt to open 571 new schools this academic year

The Telangana government has decided to open as many as 571 new schools this academic year in both rural and urban areas with more than 20 children. The information was shared by CM A Revanth Reddy on 13 June 2025. The aim is to improve standards in the state government schools and ensure that every student receives quality education.

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Uttar Pradesh

Uttar Pradesh to get 69 new government degree colleges

Uttar Pradesh is set to get 69 new government degree colleges on 1 July 2025. This is part of a major push to expand access to higher education across the state. Construction of 71 colleges has been completed, and preparations are underway to make most of them functional in time for the 2025-26 academic session.

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Uttar Pradesh govt prohibits strikes in electricity department for 6 months

The Uttar Pradesh government has invoked provisions of the Uttar Pradesh Essential Services Maintenance Act (ESMA). With this, it has prohibited strikes in the electricity department for six months. The decision comes as parts of north India reel under a heatwave, with a red alert sounded for Delhi as the city crossed the 45-degrees Celsius mark.

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Uttar Pradesh's Shamli claims top spot for sugarcane productivity

The district recorded an average yield of 1,023.1 quintals per hectare for the 2024-25 season, based on crop-cutting results. However, it experienced a slight decline of 12.8 quintals per hectare compared to last year's figures.

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Uttarakhand

40 villages in Uttarakhand selected for revitalization

These villages are located in six development blocks spread over three districts including Champavat, Pithoragarh & Udham Singh Nagar. An action plan is being prepared as per the guidelines of the Centre, for which suggestions have been sought from the district admins.

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Uttarakhand govt plans to install 500 additional automatic weather sensors

The Uttarakhand disaster management department is planning to install 500 additional automatic weather sensors across the state. The move aims to improve accuracy in weather forecasting, especially during heavy showers and disaster-like situations in the hilly regions.

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Civil Aviation Ministry orders strict safety protocols for helicopter ops in the state

In the wake of a tragic helicopter crash near Gaurikund in Uttarakhand, the Ministry of Civil Aviation has directed the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) to enforce strict safety protocols for helicopter operations in sensitive areas like Kedarnath Valley.

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Union Territories

Delhi govt plans to roll out new excise policy

The Delhi government is planning to roll out a new excise policy. The aim is to ensure the scientific testing of alcohol quality and make the sale & distribution system transparent, modern & accountable. A draft of the new policy will be ready by 30 June 2025.

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J&K eligible to secure billions in interest-free loans under SASCI scheme

Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) is eligible to secure billions in 50-year interest-free loans under the Centre's Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI) scheme. The information was shared by chief secretary (CS) Atal Dulloo on 13 June 2025.

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J&K admin slashes funds for PRIs

The Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) administration has slashed funds for panchayat raj institutions (PRI). Only Rs.1.6 million has been allocated for each panchayat from the earlier Rs.2.3 million. The move has stirred resentment among the District Development Council (DDC) members, who argue that it will affect grassroots development in the union territory (UT).

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J&K admin allocates Rs.1.2 bln for heritage conservation

The Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) administration has allocated Rs.1.2 billion for heritage conservation during the current financial year. Over 100 architectural and heritage restoration projects are either underway or cleared for execution across the union territory.

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West Bengal

West Bengal Assembly passes Minorities' Commission (Amendment) Bill

On 13 June 2025, the West Bengal Assembly passed the West Bengal Minorities' Commission (Amendment) Bill. The Bill seeks to allow the commission to appoint additional persons for key posts there from what was sanctioned earlier. The most crucial point in this additional appointment was for the post of vice-chairperson of the commission.

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West Bengal govt to amend Clinical Establishments Act

The state has decided to move a Bill to amend the existing WB Clinical Establishments Act during the ongoing session. Amending the Act has become necessary following frequent complaints received by the state health department against private medical establishments, accusing the latter of not maintaining any transparency in their billing systems.

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