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Andhra Pradesh

EV charging network to be improved in the state

The collaboration aims to advance the electric vehicle infrastructure across Andhra Pradesh, building a robust and accessible EV charging network. This is expected to accelerate the transition towards a greener and more sustainable future.

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John Cockerill and Greenko to invest INR2,800 crore

John Cockerill Group and Greenko Group will invest INR2,800 crore in an electrolyser manufacturing facility in Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh. The plant aims to produce 2 gigawatts of electrolyzers annually and serve as an export hub.

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Naidu promises policy changes to boost MSMEs

Naidu observed that the MSME sector, which has been hit by many challenges, will be revived through new policies. He said that the pending MSME parks in the State will be completed quickly. The existing ecosystem will be strengthened to facilitate the establishment of industries.

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Goa

Goa govt notifies amendment to Ground Water Regulation Act

The amendment proposes to levy a fine of INR10 lakh on those polluting or contaminating groundwater by injecting treated or untreated water into the aquifer systems. Furthermore, if any well is found to have been sunk in violation of the Act, it shall be filled and permanently sealed.

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New cruise terminal in Goa to boost tourism, local economy

The Mormugao Port Authority (MPA) expects to grow it further with the construction of the International and Domestic Cruise Terminal in Goa by March 2025. The development of the International and Domestic Cruise Terminal and allied facilities is expected to boost tourism and local economy while fostering sustainable practices and infrastructure improvements, thereby enhancing the region's competitiveness in the global cruise market.

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Logistics Industry Will 'BOOM' In Goa

Chief Minister Pramod Sawant said that logistics industry will boom in Goa. He said that opening up of different ventures are needed to grow industry in state. Sawant also said that government will promote logistics policy in order to give boost to industry.

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Gujarat

SECL invites bids for 500 wind power projects off Gujarat coast

Solar Energy Corporation of India has invited bids for 500 wind power projects off Gujarat's coast, backed by viability gap funding. This initiative is part of the Union government's plan to boost offshore wind energy under the National Offshore Wind Energy Policy.

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Gujarat's hydropower plants achieve electricity generation of 1,067.3 MU

Gujarat's hydropower plants achieved a remarkable electricity generation of 1,067.3 million units (MU) in August 2024. This is a significant increase from the 308.7 MU recorded in July 2024. The Sardar Sarovar Dam alone generated over 800 MU of electricity, with a total of 891 MU coming from both the Sardar Sarovar River Bed Power House (RBPH) and Canal Head Power House (CHPH).

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PM Modi to flag off first Vande Metro service between Ahmedabad-Bhuj

PM Modi will launch India's first 'Vande Metro' service during his visit to Gujarat. The Ahmedabad-Bhuj Vande Metro is an unreserved air-conditioned train with a capacity for over 3,000 passengers. It will cover 360 kilometers in 5 hours and 45 minutes.

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Jharkhand

Union minister announces INR220 crore for development of MSME sector

Union minister of micro, small & medium enterprises (MSME) Jitan Ram Manjhi announced INR 220 crore for the development of the MSME sector in Jharkhand. This includes INR. 12 crore for setting up four new clusters and INR. 30 Crore for establishing three additional technology centres in the state. So far, the sector has provided jobs to 205.5 million people.

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PM Modi flags off six Vande Bharat trains at Jharkhand's Tatanagar

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated six new Vande Bharat trains, expanding the fleet from 54 to 60 train sets. These trains will operate on routes including Tatanagar-Patna and Bhagalpur-Howrah. Indigenously designed under 'Make in India,' these semi-high speed trains offer faster commute times, advanced safety features, and world-class amenities.

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JREDA issues tenders for 2 solar projects in Jharkhand

JREDA has issued requests for proposals for the engineering, procurement and commissioning of 14 MW of grid-connected ground-mounted solar projects in two districts. These projects include a five MW solar project in East Singhbhum district worth INR49.33 crore and a nine MW solar project in Palamu worth INR92.97 crore.

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Punjab

PSIEC successfully organises camp at CICU Focal Point Complex

The Punjab Small Industries and Export Corporation (PSIEC) recently organized a successful camp at the Chamber of Industrial & Commercial Undertakings (CICU) Focal Point Complex in Ludhiana. The camp was part of the Punjab government's innovative scheme "Sarkar Aapke Dwar," aimed at bringing government services closer to the people.

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Punjab govt to procure over 11,000 CRM machines to check stubble burning

The Punjab government has issued sanction letters for procuring 11,052 crop residue management (CRM) machines to help farmers manage paddy straw. Khuddian also said 5,534 CRM machines have already been acquired so far by farmers in the state.

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Maharashtra

Maharashtra to build INR 9,565 crore Pune-Shirur Elevated Road

The Maharashtra Government has approved the 53 Km elevated, six-lane Pune-Shirur Road project. Of the total INR 9,565 crore, the Pune-Shirur Road will cost an estimated 7,515 INR-Crore. Meanwhile, 2,050 INR-Crore is allocated for upgrading the Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar Road via the Ahmednagar Bypass.

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INR50 crore sanctioned for autorickshaw and taxi driver welfare board

The Maharashtra government has sanctioned INR 50crore for the Dharamveer Anand Dighे Saheb Maharashtra Auto-Rickshaw and Taxi Driver Welfare Board. The amount will be used to launch various schemes for auto-rickshaw and taxi drivers.

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Haryana

Viva inaugurates new experience centre in Haryana

Viva has launched a new experience centre in Hisar, Haryana. Located at S.S. Enterprises, JK Complex, on Delhi Road, this state-of-the-art facility offers customers and industry professionals a comprehensive view of Viva's diverse and innovative product range.

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Ballabghar-Palwal metro receives green signal from Haryana Government

The Haryana chief minister Manohar Lal Khattar made an announcement that the government has approved the Ballabgarh-Palwal metro to ensure better connectivity and for improving the development of the area while addressing the Gauravshali Bharat Rally at Village Gajpuri of Plawal.

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Himachal Pradesh

State development body approves construction of houses, other project

HIMUDA's ongoing efforts to introduce new schemes across various sectors and urged to work with dedication for the effective implementation of the, developmental projects initiated by the authority. the construction of six 3-BHK deluxe flats in Housing Board Colony, Bilaspur, six 2-BHK flats in Sanjauli, Shimla and two twin towers in Basal of Solan.

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Electricity bills to rise in Himachal Pradesh

Consumers of Himachal Pradesh are going to get a shock of inflation. This shock of inflation will come from the electricity bill because the Himachal government is going to impose two special types of cess on every unit of electricity, which will increase your electricity bill.

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Dixon signs MoU to make laptops, PCs for HP

Dixon Technologies has signed an MoU with HP India to manufacture laptops, desktops, and all-in-one PCs under its subsidiary Padget Electronics. This partnership will operate under the production-linked incentive scheme (PLI 2.0), enhancing HP's portfolio of domestically manufactured products in India, aligning with the Make in India initiative.

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Karnataka

St John's National Academy of Health Sciences in Karnataka launches 108-bedded hospital unit

The St John's National Academy of Health Sciences in Karnataka's Bengaluru has launched its state-of-the-art hospital unit at the Brigade Meadows on Kanakapura Road. The new 108-bedded facility will provide comprehensive affordable healthcare services and diagnostics to urban & rural residents of the area with the help of specialist doctors.

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NHAI floats tenders for 5 segments of STRR project in Karnataka

The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has announced tenders for five segments of the much-anticipated Bengaluru Satellite Town Ring Road (STRR) project in Karnataka. It is expected to cover a distance of 144-km and cost approximately INR475 crore. The STRR will be a four to six-lane access-controlled highway.

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Nidec Corporation to invest INR600 crore to set up manufacturing facility in Hubballi-Dharwad in Karnataka

Nidec had invested INR450 crore in Karnataka. The fresh investment follows Large and Medium Industries and Infrastructure Development Minister M.B. Patil's recent visit to the company's headquarters in Japan. the entire project, part of Nidec's Motion & Energy segment, would cover a total of 50 acres and is expected to generate over 800 jobs.

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Kerala

Kerala's KSEB to ink MoU with SECI for procuring 500 MW of electricity

The Kerala State Electricity Board (KSEB) has decided to ink an MoU with the Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI) for procuring 500 MW of electricity. Under the pact, the state will receive part of the supply during the evening peak-demand hours after 6 pm. Around 250 MW will be supplied during the evening hours at a stretch or in instalments as required by the KSEB. The supply will be at a relatively low rate of INR3.4 per unit

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KSUM inks MoU with German IT major to foster innovation

The Kerala Startup Mission (KSUM) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with global IT service provider adesso India to mentor start-ups and help them scale up their innovative projects. .

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Foundation stone laid for new double-lane bridge across Bharatapuzha

The state government has allocated INR. 42 crore for the construction of this single-span, two-way bridge, which will eventually become the third and fourth lanes. The bridge, less than 700-metre in length.

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Rajasthan

Rajasthan signs MoU with Magic Bus to introduce life skills education

The Tribal Area Development Department, under the Government of Rajasthan, has partnered with Magic Bus India Foundation to introduce life skills education into the curriculum of Ashram Hostels and Residential Schools. This collaboration will equip approximately 42,000 adolescents with life skills.

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Rajasthan CM invites Japanese business community to invest in his state

A high-level delegation led by Rajasthan Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma was in the Japanese capital Tokyo as part of the preparations for the Rising Rajasthan Global Investment Summit 2024, which is scheduled to take place from December 9-11 in Jaipur.

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Rajasthan CM invites South Korean investors to invest in state's tourism sector

Rajasthan Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma invited South Korean investors to invest in the state's tourism sector during an event in Seoul. Highlighting Rajasthan's rich cultural heritage and industrial progress, Sharma emphasized the potential for strong economic and cultural ties between the two regions.

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Madhya Pradesh

DGCA grants operating licence to Rewa Airport in Madhya Pradesh

The Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has granted licence to the Rewa Airport in Madhya Pradesh for commencing operations of both passenger and cargo flights. With this, the state's Vindhya region will get the much-needed boost to expand economic and regional connectivity.

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Madhya Pradesh govt to introduce 'Vande Metro' projects in urban areas

Madhya Pradesh government is planning to introduce 'Vande Metro' projects in key urban areas to enhance public transport facilities. The existing metro rail can run at a maximum speed of 80-kilometres per hour (kmph), while the Vande Metro rail can achieve a speed of up to 160-kmph.

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Odisha

Jindal Steel bets big on Green Hydrogen with investment in Odisha facility

Under the agreement, JSPL plans to integrate green hydrogen into its direct reduced iron (DRI) units at its Angul facility in Odisha, making it the largest green hydrogen project in the Indian steel industry.

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Odisha Assembly passes Appropriation Bill

It would allow the state government to spend INR. 2.6 lakh crore from its consolidated fund during the financial year 2024-25. This is 15 per cent more than the Budget estimates for 2023-24. The programme Budget is estimated at INR. 1.5 lakh crore, which is 24 per cent more than the previous one and the capital outlay is INR. 5819 crore, which is 6.3 per cent of Gross State Domestic Product

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IR to run 3 more Vande Bharat Express trains through Odisha

The Indian Railways (IR) has decided to run at least three more Vande Bharat Express trains through Odisha. These include the Tata-Berhampur, Rourkela-Howrah and Durg-Visakhapatnam Vande Bharat Express trains. With this, the total number of such trains running through the state will reach six.

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First ever roundtable on MedTech sector in Odisha

In a significant move to position Odisha as a leading hub for medical technology (MedTech) manufacturing, FIDR released its national White Paper, "The Medical Device Industry in India's New Era," during the first-ever roundtable discussion held in Bhubaneswar. This event signifies a major leap towards realizing the state's industrial ambitions under the broader 'Make in India/Odisha' framework.

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Tamil Nadu

New elevated bridge inaugurated on Chennai-Bengaluru highway

A new elevated bridge was inaugurated on the Chennai-Bengaluru highway at Perumugai village in Tamil Nadu. The bridge, maintained by the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI), aims to reduce congestion on existing service lanes and decrease the risk of accidents, especially with frequent rains in the area.

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Tamil Nadu signs investment MoUs worth INR2,666 crore in Chicago

The agreements, including investments from Jabil Inc. and Rockwell Automation, are projected to bring in INR 2,666 crore and create over 5,300 jobs in Tamil Nadu's Tiruchi and Kancheepuram districts.

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Ford Motor plans to restart manufacturing plant in Tamil Nadu

Ford Motor said it plans to restart a manufacturing plant for exports in Tamil Nadu, the company announced two days after meeting state chief minister M K Stalin, who said they were exploring the possibility of resuming operations.

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Telangana

Telangana to get 8 new medical colleges

The National Medical Commission (NMC) has approved the setting up of eight new medical colleges in Telangana during the current academic year. With this, the number of government medical colleges in the state will increase to 34. Each college will offer 50 Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) seats.

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INR100 crore for Telegana's dedicated MSME policy

The dedicated MSME policy that the Telangana govt is gearing up to unveil will include a INR 100 crore technology upgradation fund to provide a technology and manufacturing boost to MSMEs, especially aerospace and defence companies, Jayesh Ranjan, special chief secretary, IT and industries.

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30K sq ft GCC of German firm inaugurated in Telangana's Gachibowli

IT & Industries Minister D Sridhar Babu inaugurated the Global Capacity Centre (GCC) of ZF Lifetec, a German company making and supplying safety systems for vehicles, in Gachibowli. The state-of-the-art GCC is spread over 30,000 square feet. A total of 200 employees will be recruited initially, with plans to expand its headcount to over 500 within the next 3-5 years.

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North-East

PM launches railway projects and infrastructure developments in Northeast

PM Narendra Modi launched a series of railway projects. The total cost for these projects is INR 7,300 crore, along with commissioning a plant of methanol and laying the foundation stone for a bridge over the Brahmaputra. The bridge is expected to be constructed over the next 3-4 years at an estimated cost of INR 3,200 crore.

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JICA to build 5 major road projects worth INR144 crore in Sikkim

Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) has decided to build five major road projects in Sikkim. The total estimated cost of these projects is INR144 crore. The JICA will also construct a two-lane bridge at Jalipool along the Ranipool-Pakyong road, with upgradation work on the Jalipool to Ranipool road.

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Mizoram govt introduces new Electric Vehicle Policy

The Mizoram government has introduced a new Electric Vehicle Policy. The policy, which favours electric vehicles (EVs) over traditional combustion engine vehicles, has drawn criticism from many citizens. A key point of contention is the exemption of EVs from Aizawl's decade-old odd-even traffic restriction system.

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Union Territories

Delhi LG lays foundation for 47 developmental projects worth INR45 crore

Delhi Lieutenant Governor (LG) Vinai Kumar Saxena laid foundation stones for as many as 47 developmental projects worth around INR45 crore. These projects will be executed across 29 villages of North Delhi under the Dilli Gramodaya Abhiyan (DGA). The aim is to improve the living conditions in villages by extending civic amenities.

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Indigo airlines expands its reach with new flight operations from Puducherry

Indigo Airlines is preparing to launch its flight operations on the Puducherry-Hyderabad and Puducherry-Bengaluru routes. This initiative marks a significant development in regional air connectivity, as it will enhance travel options for passengers commuting between these cities.

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Jain Irrigation signs MoU with Sher-E-Kashmir to offer agri-tech solutions

Jain Irrigation Systems said that it has entered into a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Sher-e-Kashmir, University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology (SKUAST) to offer smart and technology-driven solutions to farmers in Jammu and Kashmir.

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Uttar Pradesh

Uttar Pradesh's GMC to develop 4 major roads in Indirapuram as model roads

Uttar Pradesh's Ghaziabad Municipal Corporation (GMC) has decided to develop as many as four major roads in Indirapuram as model roads. These roads have a combined length of 10-km. They connect to national highway (NH)-9 and witness heavy traffic movement.

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Uttar Pradesh targets INR30,000 crore investment for secure data storage

The Uttar Pradesh government is looking to attract private players to set up eight data centres in the state. The move is expected to bring in investments worth INR3000 crore. The state will facilitate land clearances and the projects totalling 900 MW capacity will likely be located near Noida. As part of this, companies such as Hiranandani group, Adani group, NTT Japan and Web Werks have announced data centre projects worth INR2000 crore with 600 MW capacity.

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New Era of Development & Investments INR 5,500 Crore

Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath says the state has entered a new era of development & investment, citing Ikea's INR 5,500 crore investment in a new meeting centre in Noida. The state is attracting investments and creating jobs..

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Major markets in UP see 378 housing projects with 1.46 lakh units stalled

A total of 378 projects comprising nearly 146,000 units are stalled in five major markets in Uttar Pradesh (UP). Major cities include Noida, Greater Noida, Ghaziabad, Lucknow and Agra, Greater Noida has 167 stalled projects with 74,645 units. Noida has 103 stalled housing projects comprising 41,438 units.

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Uttarakhand

Uttarakhand govt to expand Sampark TV Smart Schools programme

The Uttarakhand government has decided to expand the Sampark TV Smart Schools programme to 4,337 state-run schools for the 2024-25 academic year. To be taken up under the SAMPARK Programme, the initiative will transform traditional classrooms into engaging & technology-driven environments.

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Uttarakhand govt to set up CoE in state cybercrime unit

The Uttarakhand government has decided to set up a Centre of Excellence (CoE) in the state cybercrime unit in Dehradun. The centre will be established with assistance from experts of the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Roorkee.

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