



# Regional Developments

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## Andhra Pradesh

### State approves over INR1.21 lakh crore in investments from 10 companies

The Andhra Pradesh State Investment Promotion Board (SIPB), chaired by Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu, approved investments worth over INR1.21 lakh crore from 10 companies. The approved investments have the potential to create 80,104 jobs, including INR25,000 crore from Sri City, INR58,469 crore from Indosol Solar Pvt Ltd., among others.

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### Adani Green Energy arm commissions 250 MW solar power project in Andhra

Adani Green Energy announced that its wholly-owned step-down subsidiary, Adani Solar Energy Ap Eight, has commissioned a 250 MW solar power project at Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh. With the commissioning of this plant, AGELs total operational renewable generation capacity has increased to 12,591.1 MW.

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### Tata Power up 3 per cent as arm to built 7000 MW renewable projects

Tata Power shares gained 3 per cent on BSE, logging an intraday high at INR361.85 per share. The company's subsidiary Tata Power Renewable Energy signed a MoU with the Andhra Pradesh government to develop up to 7,000 MW of renewable energy projects.

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### ArcelorMittal Nippon Steel to Build India's Largest Plant in Andhra

The AMNS plant is currently being established at Nakkapalli in Anakapalli district with a total investment of INR1.47 lakh crore. The project will be executed in two phases, with an investment of INR61780 crore in the first phase and INR85382 crore in the second.

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## Bihar

### Schneider Electric partners with South Bihar Power Distribution Company to modernize network

Schneider Electric announced it has partnered with SBPDCL to modernize and enhance the state's power distribution network, as part of a joint effort aimed at delivering reliable and efficient digital energy solutions to the consumers.

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### Bihar CM hands appointment letters to over 50,000 newly recruited teachers

Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar handed over appointment letters to 51,389 newly recruited teachers. These teachers were recruited by the Bihar Public Service Comm (BPSC) through the third phase of the Teachers' Recruitment Examination (TRE-3).

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## Chhattisgarh

### SJVN to develop 1,800 MW pumped storage project in Chhattisgarh

SJVN has signed an agreement with the Government of Chhattisgarh and Chhattisgarh State Power Generation Company Limited (CSPGCL) to develop the 1,800-megawatt Kotpali Pumped Storage Project (PSP).

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### NTPC group to Invest INR96,000 crore in Chhattisgarh for energy projects

NTPC has announced that along with its subsidiary, NTPC Green Energy, has signed multiple agreements worth INR96,000 crore with the Government of Chhattisgarh to develop nuclear, pumped hydro, and renewable energy projects in the state.

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## Gujarat

### Gujarat govt unveils 2 expressway projects worth INR96,240 crore

The government of Gujarat announced two major expressway projects of INR96,240 crore to boost infrastructure and connectivity in the state. Minister of State Jagdish Vishwakarma announced these developments during discussions on Budget demands in the Assembly.

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### Gujarat to launch Green GIDC, powering industries with 100 per cent renewable energy

Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel announced plans to establish a Green GIDC (Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation) where industries will operate solely on green energy supplied by the state government. The initiative aims to position Gujarat at the forefront of sustainable industrial growth.

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### JK Tyres expands truck tyres retail footprint in Gujarat

JK Tyre & Industries Ltd., has inaugurated a new JK Truck Wheels Centre in Gandhidham. Operated by Aadinath Tyres, the facility was inaugurated by Anshuman Singhania, managing director, JK Tyre & Industries Ltd.

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### Gujarat allocates INR1000 crore for phase-II of Kharikat Canal redevelopment

Gujarat Chief Minister (CM) Bhupendra Patel has given a nod to the Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation's (AMC) to begin works for phase-II of the Kharikat Canal redevelopment. A total of INR1000 crore has been allocated for the phase.

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## Goa

### ASSOCHAM urges Goa CM to address funding gaps in MSME, agri sectors

The Associated Chambers of Commerce and industry of India (Assocham) has presented pre-budget recommendations to Chief Minister Pramod Sawant, highlighting critical funding gaps in MSME, farming, and skill development sectors.

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### Goa govt proposes to set up modern truck terminus

The Goa government has proposed to establish a modern truck terminus aimed at improving road transport and logistics efficiency on national highway (NH)-66. The proposed truck terminus promises to become a crucial facility for truck drivers and transport operators.

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## Jharkhand

### Jharkhand regulator approves Bokaro Steel's 100 MW solar power purchase

The Jharkhand State Electricity Regulatory Commission (JSERC) has approved the power sale agreement (PSA) between Bokaro Steel (BSL), a Steel Authority of India (SAIL) company, and Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI) for purchasing 100 MW of solar power.

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### SPML Infra secures 618 INR-Crore irrigation project in Jharkhand

SPML Infra Ltd has secured an estimated INR617.98 crore contract from the Water Resource Department of Hazaribagh for an irrigation project in Jharkhand. This initiative, a part of the Konar Irrigation Project, will be executed on a turnkey basis in collaboration with Vijay Kumar Mishra Construction.

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## Haryana

### Haryana DISCOM floats EoI for 7 MW solar projects under PM KUSUM

The Uttar Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam (UHBVN) has invited expressions of interest (EoI) for 7 MW solar power projects under component -A of the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha evam Utthaan Mahabhiyaan (PM-KUSUM) program.

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### Sakthi Aircraft Industry to make trainer planes in Haryana

Sakthi Aircraft Industry is a joint venture between Tamil Nadu's Sakthi Group and Austria's Diamond Aircraft. The deal is for having 200 trainer DA40 NG planes and out of them, 150 aircraft will be assembled at Sakthi Aircraft Industry's planned facility, which is likely to be set up in Haryana.

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## Himachal Pradesh

### HP CM inaugurates & lays foundation stones for 10 projects at Sujanpur

Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister (CM) Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu inaugurated and laid foundation stones for 10 development projects at Sujanpur for the Sujanpur Assembly constituency. The cost of these projects has been pegged at INR43.64 crore.

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### Himachal Pradesh's GSDP at current prices projected at INR2.3 lakh crore

Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister (CM) Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu presented the state's Economic Survey Report for the financial year (FY) 2024-25 in the state Assembly. As per the report, the state's economic growth is expected to see a marginal improvement, rising from 6.6 per cent to 6.7 per cent.

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### India's first-of-its-kind stevia processing plant inaugurated in Himachal Pradesh

The plant, set up with technical support from CSIR-Institute of Himalayan Bio-resource Technology (CSIR-IHBT), Palampur, is India's first-of-its-kind green processing unit with the capacity to process stevia leaves into steviol glycoside powder.

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## Karnataka

### KIADB floats tender for INR4,500 crore loan

The Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board (KIADB) has floated a tender for a INR4,500 crore term loan from banks and financial institutions. The funds will be used for land acquisition, developing industrial areas, and implementing major water supply schemes.

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### Karnataka's BWSSB to develop STPs at INR100 crore

Karnataka's Bangalore Water Supply & Sewerage Board (BWSSB) has decided to develop sewage treatment plants (STPs) at a cost of INR100 crore under the Jal Hi Amrit Scheme. The BWSSB treats approximately 1,450 million litres per day (MLD) of wastewater daily through 34 STPs spread across Bengaluru.

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### Karnataka Cabinet gives nod for amending KTPP Act

Karnataka Cabinet gave its nod for amending the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement (KTPP) Act. It is aimed at providing four per cent reservation in tenders to Muslim contractors. Besides this, the state government has also approved the Karnataka Gram Swaraj and Panchayat Raj (Amendment) Bill.

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## Odisha

### Multibagger IT-software company bags new order worth INR98.09 lakh

Atishay Limited announced it has secured a new work order valued at INR98.09 lakh from the State Health Assurance Society, Government of Odisha, for the printing and delivery of PVC Ayushman/AB PMJAY-GJAY Co-branded Cards across 10 districts.

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### Sangram Power Project to establish 1000 MW PSP in Odisha

Sangram Power Project Company has developed a comprehensive project report for establishing a 1000 MW Pumped Storage Project (PSP) in Sunki, located in Odisha's Koraput district. The project aims to enhance the region's energy storage capabilities, contributing to Odisha's renewable energy infrastructure.

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### NIT Rourkela introduces bio-based system to combat pharmaceutical contaminants in water

Two-stage process combines biochar adsorption and biodegradation to remove pharmaceutical pollutants from wastewater. Researchers at NIT Rourkela have developed a process to remove pharmaceutical pollutants from wastewater.

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## Maharashtra

### Maharashtra secures INR21,500 crore funding for Mumbai Road Project

Maharashtra State Road Development Corporation Ltd., a unit of the state government, has obtained lenders' commitment for credit lines to fund building the high-end road, said the people, who asked not to be identified because the information is private.

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### Maharashtra seamless secures INR298 crore order for seamless pipes

Maharashtra Seamless Limited has secured a significant order valued at INR298 crores for the supply of seamless pipes to a domestic entity in the oil and gas sector. This order is expected to be fulfilled through gradual dispatches over the next few quarters.

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### Maharashtra govt to roll out independent solar power scheme

The Maharashtra government has decided to roll out an independent solar power scheme. It will provide solar panels to homes that consume up to 300 units of electricity per month. This scheme is in line with the central government's Pradhan Mantri Surya Ghar Free Electricity initiative.

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## Madhya Pradesh

### MP inks deal with int'l bodies to boost ODOP, GI products

In a bid to promote products under One District One Product (ODOP) and Geographical Indication (GI)- tagged products on global marketplaces, Madhya Pradesh government signed agreements with international trade bodies in the recently concluded Global Investors Summit.

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### NTPC commissions 50MW MP solar project, group capacity reaches 77,461 MW

NTPC has commissioned a 50 MW unit of Shajapur solar project in Madhya Pradesh, taking the group's total installed and commercial capacity to 77,461.50 MW. "Second and last part capacity of 50 MW out of 105 MW Shajapur Solar Project (Unit-I) in Shajapur Solar Park, M.P of NTPC REL is declared on commercial operation," NTPC said in the ling.

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### Shakti pumps secures 113 acres for solar cell & pv module manufacturing

Shakti Pumps (India) Ltd announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, Shakti Energy Solutions Ltd, has been allotted 113 acres of land by the Madhya Pradesh Industrial Development Corporation Limited (MPIDC).

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## Tamil Nadu

### Jaguar Land Rover shelves plan to build EVs at Tata's Tamil Nadu plant

Jaguar Land Rover has shelved plans to build electric vehicles at parent company Tata Motor's upcoming USD1 billion factory in southern India, four people with knowledge of the matter said. The British luxury car unit was unable to find the right price-quality balance for locally sourced EV parts.

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### Stalin inaugurates Godrej's INR515 crore plant in Chennai

CM MK Stalin inaugurated GCPL first integrated green-field manufacturing facility in Chengalpattu district. This state-of-the-art plant, spread over 27 acres, represents GCPL's largest single investment - an impressive INR515 crore and employing over 1,000 people.

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### SIPCOT industrial park will be set up on 800 acres land in Cheyyur

A new SIPCOT industrial park will be set up in Cheyyur on 800 acres land to further promote industrial development in Chengalpattu district, Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin said. Chengalpattu was one of the leading industrial districts in the state.

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## Kerala

### Kerala government allots additional INR25 crore for KPPL's revival

The State government has announced an additional allocation of INR25 crore to the Kerala Paper Products Limited (KPPL) towards the company's revival. This includes INR4 crore remaining from the company's budgetary allocation, along with an additional INR21 crore.

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### Food industry thrives in Kerala with over 9,000 new outlets

In line with this legacy, 9,044 food outlets have been launched in the state this financial year, covering the period from April 1, 2024, to March 16, 2025. These outlets include fast-food centres, biryani-mandi restaurants, traditional eateries, cafés, and snack shops, attracting an investment of INR587 crore and generating employment for 26,266 people.

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### INR10,000 crore wellness centre to boost Kerala's medical tourism

A new health and wellness destination integrating Ayurveda, traditional Chinese and Tibetan medicine, modern medical science, yoga, meditation, and holistic healing is set to open. The Tulah Clinical Wellness Sanctuary, developed by KEF Holdings.

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## Rajasthan

### Rajasthan govt plans new initiatives to boost tourism

The Rajasthan government has planned new initiatives to boost tourism in the state. According to it, the state government wants MICE and leisure tourism to grow rapidly. It is hopeful to bring in IIFA and Jaipur Literature like festivals more in the state.

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### Rajasthan aims for USD350 billion economy with major investments and industrial growth

Rajasthan is driving industrial expansion and economic growth through strategic initiatives, aiming to become a USD 350 billion economy in five years and achieve "Viksit Rajasthan 2047". The Global Investment Summit secured INR30 lakh crore in MoUs.

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### XenHire Launches AI Interview Platform at ASSOCHAM Rajasthan's Skilling gap roundtable

ASSOCHAM Rajasthan hosted a significant roundtable titled 'Bridging the Skilling Gap: Aligning Education with Industry 4.0' at The Lalit Hotel in Jaipur. The event gathered policymakers, industry leaders, educators, and skill development experts.

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## Punjab

### Punjab government to operate bus services on all routes

Punjab transport minister Laljit Singh Bhullar has instructed the concerned officials to ensure government bus services operate on all routes across the state. He emphasised the need to speed up the procurement of new buses.

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### Punjab launches one-time settlement scheme for industrial relief

The Punjab government introduces the One-Time Settlement Scheme to help industrialists clear pending dues with financial relief, including an 8 per cent simple interest rate and a 100 per cent waiver on penal interest, ensuring business growth and investment promotion.

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## Telangana

### Azad Engineering opens lean manufacturing facility in Telangana

Hyderabad-based complex components manufacturer Azad Engineering announced the inauguration of its Lean manufacturing facility for Mitsubishi Heavy Industries (MHI) at Tuniki Bollaram in Telangana.

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### Syneriq global opens global centre in Hyderabad

Syneriq Global, has opened its AI first global capability centre (GCC) in Hyderabad. The new 40,000 sqft facility marks a major step in the company's expansion. Telangana's IT minister Sridhar Babu Duddilla inaugurated the centre. The company has invested INR50 crore in the new centre, boosting Syneriq Global's presence worldwide.

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### Telangana government to unveil new life sciences policy

Telangana is set to launch a dedicated Life Sciences policy in the coming weeks, marking a significant step towards strengthening the state's leadership in the sector. The announcement was made by Jayesh Ranjan, Special Chief Secretary, Department of Industries, IT, Electronics, and Communications, during the launch of Tenthpin's new Life Sciences facility in Hyderabad.

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### TGIIC clarifies on 400 acres in Hyderabad's Kancha Gachibowli

The TGIIC has responded to media reports airing concerns over the proposed development of 400 acres of government land in Kancha Gachibowli and said there was no room for environmental concerns and also that there was no encroachment of land.

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## North-East

### Arunachal Pradesh CM releases State Biodiversity Strategy and Action

Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister (CM) Pema Khandu released the Arunachal Pradesh State Biodiversity Strategy and Action: A People's Plan. The plan provides localised action points that empower communities to take charge of environmental conservation with governmental support.

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### Assam govt signs MoU with DBT to advance biotechnology innovation under BioE3 Policy

The Assam government has signed an MoU with the central government's Department of Biotechnology (DBT) under the Biotechnology for Economy, Environment and Employment (BioE3) Policy. The collaboration aims to advance biotechnology innovation and sustainable biomanufacturing.

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### Sikkim CM lays foundation stone for SGTU in Namchi

Sikkim CM Prem Singh Tamang laid the foundation stone for the Sikkim Global Technical University (SGTU) at Rong-Bul in Namchi. The university would create new educational and employment opportunities in the region, said state education minister Raju Basnet.

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### Tripura govt mulls setting up satellite townships in 3 locations

The Tripura government is mulling to set up satellite townships in three locations of the state. The information was shared by Chief Minister Manik Saha. He added that these satellite townships would be developed in a planned manner with all basic facilities.

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### Meghalaya to get 38 Eklavya Model Residential Schools

Meghalaya is set to get as many as 38 Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS). The information was shared by state education minister Rakkam A Sangma. The construction of two EMRS has been completed at Samanda and Pahamsyiem.

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### Arunachal Pradesh govt signs 2 MoUs to strengthen healthcare services

Arunachal Pradesh government signed MoUs with the Hans Foundation and Solar Electric Light Company (SELCO) Foundation to strengthen healthcare services in the state. As part of the pact, the Hans Foundation will provide technical and operational support for upgrading 14 health & wellness centres (HWC) and six public health centres (PHC).

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## Uttar Pradesh

### Begumpul Namo Bharat station in Uttar Pradesh's Meerut nears completion

Begumpul will be Meerut's only underground station offering both Namo Bharat and Metro services to commuters," the statement said. The station features two tracks with an advanced signaling system to ensure seamless operation of both transit services.

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### UP govt acquires land from defunct textile mills for industrial development

In a strategic move to expand its industrial land bank, the Uttar Pradesh government has earmarked 450 acres from six closed textile mills. This acquisition is part of a broader initiative to create a substantial land reserve of 150,000 acres by 2027.

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### CM Yogi Adityanath inaugurates Avaada Group's 1.5GW solar module facility

Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath inaugurated Avaada Group's 1.5 GW solar module manufacturing Gigafactory in Noida. Additionally, the foundation was laid for a 5 GW integrated solar manufacturing unit in Greater Noida.

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### Sunsure Energy bags INR129 crore financing for Uttar Pradesh solar plant

Sunsure Energy has secured INR129 crore long-term debt financing which will support its solar project in Augasi, Uttar Pradesh. The financing from Tata Capital and Aditya Birla Finance Limited will fund the construction of the 49 MWp open-access solar plant in Augasi.

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## Uttarakhand

### 4 new heli services launched in Uttarakhand

Chief minister Pushkar Singh Dhami inaugurated four new helicopter services in Uttarakhand, to enhance air connectivity between Dehradun and Nainital, Bageshwar, and Mussoorie, as well as between Haldwani and Bageshwar.

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### Uttarakhand's plan for 49 ropeways to boost religious and adventure tourism

Travelling to Uttarakhand's famous pilgrimage and tourism destinations might be challenging due to the harsh terrain and steep mountain peaks. Visitors often face difficulties in reaching revered sites like Kedarnath and Hemkund Sahib in the state which are part of the iconic Char Dham Yatra.

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## Union Territories

### J&K admin unveils 'The Jammu & Kashmir Road Safety Policy 2025'

The J&K administration has unveiled 'The Jammu & Kashmir Road Safety Policy 2025'. It is aimed at reducing road mishaps and fatalities by 50 per cent by 2030. The UT administration has decided to create an effective institutional mechanism to strengthen the road safety measures, besides providing necessary support structures to enable each institution.

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### Puducherry admin to notify green mobility policy for electric, hybrid vehicles

The Puducherry administration will soon notify its green mobility policy. It will provide the necessary impetus for faster adoption of green technologies, such as electric and hybrid vehicles, and accelerate the UT transition to environment-friendly transportation.

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### 194 road and bridge projects worth INR1020 crore sanctioned for J&K

As many as 194 road and bridge projects worth INR1020 crore have been sanctioned for Jammu & Kashmir (J&K). Out of the total, 10 infrastructure projects worth INR50.43 crore have been approved under the Rural Infrastructure Development Fund for Baramulla district.

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### Delhi minister announces final draft of EV Policy 2.0

Delhi transport minister announced the final draft of the Electric Vehicle (EV) Policy 2.0. This policy focuses on significantly increasing the number of EVs in the national capital. The key goal is to replace CNG auto-rickshaws and light motor vehicles with EVs gradually.

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## West Bengal

### JSW signs 1600-MW pact with West Bengal

JSW Energy said that it has signed a power purchase agreement with West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company (WBSEDCL) for a greenfield 1,600 MW super/ultra super critical thermal power plant. Additionally, for Utkal thermal power plant (700 MW), the company has received commercial operation date (CoD) certificate for Unit 2.

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### DVC launches INR1,500 crore project to modernise power supply

DVC's entire distribution network primarily serves industries, with negligible supply to retail consumers. The project focuses on shifting from conventional power distribution to a state-of-the-art, technology-driven system to establish a robust primary and secondary distribution network across DVC's command area spanning 24,235 square kilometres in West Bengal.

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