

States News (October 2024 to February 2025)

Andhra Pradesh

1. Whats App Governance "Mana Mitra" (Andhra Pradesh)

The Andhra Pradesh government launched "Mana Mitra," a WhatsApp based governance service. Contact: Official WhatsApp number 9552300009.

Additional Details:

An MoU was signed in October 2024 between Meta and the Andhra Pradesh government; Chief Minister N. Chandra Babu Naidu and Governor Syed Abdul Nazeer are key officials.

2. Green Hydrogen Hub Project (Andhra Pradesh)

Foundational Ceremony Laid by PM Modi for India's first "Green Hydrogen Hub" by NTPC Green Energy Limited in Andhra Pradesh.

Investment: Rs.1,85,000 crore.

Production Capacity: 1500 TPD (**Tonnes per Day**) of **green hydrogen**; 7500 TPD of green derivatives (like green ammonia or methanol).

Helps India's 2030 Goal: Contributes to the 500 GW non-fossil energy capacity target.

3. Ban on Koneru Lakshmaiah Education Foundation (KLEF)

The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (AAC) banned KLEF in Andhra Pradesh.

4. Loan for Developing Amaravati (Capital of Andhra Pradesh)

The World Bank and Asian Development Bank approved a ₹13,500 crore loan for developing Amaravati, the capital of Andhra Pradesh, focusing on sustainable infrastructure (roads, flood management, green spaces, and utilities).

Arunachal Pradesh

1. Fluorescent Collars for Mithuns

Arunachal Pradesh's Forest Department in Siang district is providing fluorescent collars to mithuns (a semi wild bovine species).

2. 4th Edition of the Eaglenest Bird Festival

A celebrated birding event, the **Eagle nest Bird Festival** was held in **Arunachal Pradesh**.

Place: Eastern Himalayan Biodiversity Khellong (Doimara) and Thongre Village, West Kameng District, Arunachal Pradesh

3. MDoNER Allocation under NESIDS

The Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (MDoNER) allocated ₹3,417.68 crore for 90 projects under the North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (NESIDS) (from 2021-2022 to 2024-2025).

Arunachal Pradesh received ₹603.91 crore, second only to Assam (₹1.392.43 crore).

Assam

1. Assam's Chief Minister announced Dibrugarh as the second capital.

Details: Capital - Dispur; CM - Himanta Biswa Sarma; Governor - Lakshman Prasad Acharya

2. The first-ever Ganges River dolphin (*Platanista gangetica*) was tagged in Assam under Project Dolphin, aiming to conserve India's National Aquatic Animal.

Local names: susu, soons, soans, or soos (languages: Hindi, Bengali, Assamese, Nepali)

- 3. Anion Exchange Membrane (AEM) technology-based green hydrogen plant in Jorhat, Assam (100 kW capacity).
- 4. Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal unveiled the Jalvahak policy to promote cargo movement via National Waterways (NW) on rivers Ganga (NW1), Brahmaputra (NW2), and Barak (NW16).

Minister Constituency: **Dibrugarh. Assam**

- 5. Mission Basundhara 3.0 in Assam:
 - Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma launched Mission Basundhara 3.0 to provide land rights to indigenous people.
 - Launched **Project Closed User Group (CUG)** to equip officials with **SIM cards** for **critical communications**.
 - Launched the Revenue Department's Digidoc for non-registrable documents.



- 6. Launch of E-Chitha and Escalation Matrix in Assam.
- 7. The 10th India International Science Festival (IISF) began at IIT Guwahati, marking the first time it was hosted in Northeast India.
- 8. PM Narendra Modi inaugurated the largest-ever Jhumoir dance performance in Assam on February 24, 2025 at Guwahati's Sarusajai Stadium.
- 9. In a first for wildlife conservation, a Ganges River Dolphin was satellite-tagged in Assam.
- 10. The Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (MDoNER) allocated ₹3,417.68 crore for 90 projects under the North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (NESIDS); Assam received the highest allocation of ₹1,392.43 crore, followed by Arunachal Pradesh with ₹603.91 crore.

Bihar

- 1. Intermodal Terminal (IMT) at Kalughat, Bihar:
 - → Awarded a 5-star SVAGRIHA rating
 - → Project Details:
 - Built at a cost of ₹82.48 crore under the World Bank-funded Jal Marg Vikas Project (JMVP).
 - Makes it easier to transport cargo and export-import (EXIM) goods to Nepal.
- 2. Bihar Cabinet Approves Women Empowerment Program and Ex-gratia for Armed Forces Families:
 - → Mahila Samwad Program: Rs 225 crore allocated for CM Nitish Kumar's initiative to promote women's empowerment through district-level visits by officials to inform women about government policies.
 - → Ex-gratia for Martyred Personnel: Enhanced to Rs 21 lakh from Rs 11 lakh for families of army and CAPF personnel from Bihar martyred in operations or war situations.
 - \rightarrow Bihar Details:
 - · Capital: Patna
 - CM: Nitish Kumar
 - Governor: Arif Mohammed Khan
- 3. PM Narendra Modi Inaugurated Projects Worth ₹6,640 Crore in Jamui, Bihar:
 - → Celebrated the 150th birth anniversary of Birsa Munda on Janjatiya Gaurav Divas.
 - → Launched 23 mobile medical units (MMUs) under PM-JANMAN and 30 MMUs under Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan (DAJGUA).
 - → Inaugurated 10 Eklavya Model Residential Schools and 2 Tribal Freedom Fighters' Museums in Madhya Pradesh.
 - → Sanctioned 25,000 new Awas under PM JANMAN and 1.16 lakh Awas under DAJGUA.
- 4. Special Assistance for Capital Investment Scheme:
 - \rightarrow Released: ₹50.571.42 crore to 23 states.
 - → Excluded States: Arunachal Pradesh, Haryana, Kerala, Punjab, Telangana.
 - → Largest Beneficiaries:
 - Uttar Pradesh: ₹7,007.93 Cr
 - Bihar: ₹5,408.88 Cr
 - → FY25 Allocation: ₹1.5 trillion.
 - → Launched in **FY21**, with an initial allocation of ₹12,000 crore.
- 5. Coordination Committee for Air Quality Management in the Indo-Gangetic Plain (IGP) Region:
 - → The 10-member panel will work on mitigation measures for air pollution across 8 states and UTs: Bihar, Chandigarh, Delhi, Harvana, Jharkhand, Punjab, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal.
 - → Uttar Pradesh will co-chair the panel in 2024-25, with rotation among the 8 states annually.
 - → The panel will focus on achieving a 40% reduction in PM10 levels or meeting national ambient air quality standards by 2025-26.
- 6. National Technical Textiles Mission 10th Mission Steering Group:
 - → A high-level committee, chaired by the Union Minister of Textiles, approved 12 research projects worth ₹13.3 crore under the National Technical Textiles Mission.
 - → The total number of approved research projects now stands at 168, with a cumulative value of ₹509 crore.
 - → Minister of Textiles: Giriraj Singh | Constituency: Begusarai, Bihar.
- 7. Foundation of AIIMS Darbhanga Laid by PM Modi:
 - → Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone for AIIMS Darbhanga, the second AIIMS facility in Bihar, after AIIMS Patna.
 - → Estimated Cost: ₹1,264 crore on 187 acres of land.
 - → Also inaugurated projects related to road, rail, health, and energy sectors worth ₹12,000 crore.



- → 18 Jan Aushadhi Kendras were dedicated at railway stations across the country, and National Highway Projects worth ₹5,070 crore were initiated.
- 8. The National Institute of Food Technology, Entrepreneurship and Management
 - \rightarrow Is proposed to be established in **Bihar**.
- 9. The Makhana Board
 - → Will be established in **Bihar** as per the **Union Budget 2025 26**.

Chhattisgarh

- 1. Chhattisgarh Integrates Forest Ecosystems into Green GDP
 - → Forest Coverage: 44% of the land in Chhattisgarh is forested.
 - → Significance: First state to count forests as part of its economic growth measure ("Green GDP").
- 2. Chhattisgarh Launches Sugam App
 - → The **Chhattisgarh government** launched the "**Sugam (convenient) App**" to make the property registration process more transparent and curb fraud.
 - → The App records the **geographical position** of the property and helps in reducing revenue loss to the government.
- 3. Guru Ghasidas Tamor Pingla Tiger Reserve
 - → Notified as the **56th Tiger Reserve** of India.
 - ightarrow Located in Chhattisgarh across Manendragarh-Chirmiri-Bharatpur, Korea, Surajpur, and Balrampur districts.
 - → It is the 3rd largest in the country, after Nagarjunasagar-Srisailam (3728 sq. km) in Andhra Pradesh and Manas Tiger Reserve (2837.1 sq. km) in Assam.
 - → 4th Tiger Reserve in Chhattisgarh after Indravati, Udanti-Sitanadi, and Achanakmar Tiger Reserves.
- 4. High-Level Committee Approves Projects for Fire Services Modernis ation
 - → A high-level committee, chaired by **Union Home Minister Amit Shah**, approved disaster mitigation projects totaling **Rs 3,027.86 crore**.
 - → Breakdown of Allocation:
 - Chhattisgarh: ₹147.76 crore
 - Odisha: **₹201.10 crore**
 - West Bengal: ₹376.76 crore

Goa

- 1. 10th Sci Fi Science Film Festival of India:
 - Which state government organized the 10th Sci Fi Science Film Festival of India?
 - · Answer: Goa.
- 2. 'Bima Sakhi Yojana' Launch by Goa Chief Minister:
 - Recently, Goa Chief Minister launched the 'Bima Sakhi Yojana' under the state's Swayampurna Goa 2.0 initiative.
 - The 'Bima Sakhi Yojana' is an initiative of?
 - Answer: Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC).
- 3. Amalgamation of The Citizen Cooperative Bank Ltd. (Vasco Da Gama, Goa):
 - The RBI approved the amalgamation of **The Citizen Cooperative Bank Ltd. (Vasco Da Gama, Goa**) with TJSB Sahakari Bank Ltd.

Guiarat

1. Biodiversity Heritage Site (BHS) in Gujarat:

wA 32.78 hectare area in Guneri village, Lakhtar tehsil of Kutch district, has been declared the first "Biodiversity Heritage Site" under the Biodiversity Act, 2002.

Gujarat Details: Capital – Gandhinagar; Chief Minister – Bhupendra Patel; Governor – Acharya Dev Vrat

Pilot Project for Smart Homes in Gujarat:

The Gujarat government launched the "Har Ghar Connectivity (Fibre to Family)" initiative to transform 25,000 rural households into smart homes.

2. Guiarat Launches SWAR Platform for Overcoming Language Barriers:



Launch Date: December 25, Good Governance Day.

SWAR (Speech and Written Analysis Resource) platform developed by Gujarat CM Bhupendra Patel in collaboration with MeitY's Bhashini Team.

Purpose: To address language barriers in grievance redress al and feedback mechanisms.

Gujarat Details: Capital – Gandhinagar; CM – Bhupendra Patel; Governor – Acharya Dev Vrat

3. Foreign Universities Set Up Campuses in GIFT City, Gujarat:

Queen's University Belfast will open an international campus in Gujarat International Finance Tec City (GIFT City), becoming the 3rd foreign education institution there (after Deakin University and Wollongong University).

4. Gujarat Semiconductor Policy 2022-2027:

The Gujarat government launched India's first semiconductor policy.

Established the Gujarat State Electronics Mission to ensure effective implementation.

Offers 100% refund on stamp duty and registration fees and a ₹2 per unit subsidy on electricity.

Dholera Semicon City to become India's first commercial AI-enabled semiconductor fabrication facility with Tata Electronics Private Limited (TEPL) and PSMC (Taiwan) investing ₹91,000 crore.

Dholera is being developed as India's first **Greenfield Smart City**.

The India Semiconductor Mission launched in 2021 with a budget of ₹76,000 crore.

India's semiconductor market is expected to grow from \$15 billion (2020) to \$63 billion (2026).

5. Gujarat's iconic handicraft 'Gharchola' received the Geographical Indication (GI) tag: This brings the state's total GI tags to 27 (with 23 of them being handicrafts).

6. Australia's University of Wollongong (UOW) inaugurated its India campus at GIFT City in Gandhinagar, Gujarat.

Haryana

- 1. Harvana Initiatives:
 - (i) Launched the Har Khet-Swasth Khet campaign for soil health.
 - (ii) Established a Smart Village Center in Mandaura, Sonipat via RuTAGe.
- 2. Blinkit's Ambulance Service:

A "10-minute ambulance" service was launched in Gurugram, Haryana.

Ambulance Features: Each ambulance is equipped with paramedics, assistants, and specially trained drivers. **Blinkit CEO:** Albinder Dhindsa.

3. Max Life Insurance Rebranded as "Axis Max Life Insurance":

Axis Bank increased its stake to 19.99%.

Headquarters: Gurugram, Haryana.

4. Samman Sanjeevani App Launch in Haryana:

Haryana launched the "Samman Sanjeevani" app on National Girl Child Day (24 January 2025).

Haryana Details: Capital – Chandigarh; CM – Nayab Singh Saini; Governor – Bandaru Dattatraya.

Himachal Pradesh

- 1. Cannabis Farming Pilot Project: Launched by: A state/UT government (Himachal Pradesh) for medicinal and industrial value.
- 2. Durgesh Aranya Zoological Park: Located in Kangra, Himachal Pradesh. Set to become India's 1st zoo with IGBC certification for sustainability. Project cost: Rs 619 crore.
- 3. Boda Tyyoh Festival: Celebrated by the Hatti tribe in Shimla District, Himachal Pradesh.

Jharkhand

1. Central Government Coordination Committee for Air Quality Management:

→ The 10-member panel will work on mitigation measures for air pollution across 8 states and UTs: **Bihar**, **Chandigarh**, **Delhi**, **Haryana**, **Jharkhand**, **Punjab**, **Uttar Pradesh**, and **West Bengal**.

Karnataka

1. Google Campus:

Google unveiled its largest campus in India, named **Ananta**, located in **Bengaluru**.



2. Rapido in Karnataka:

Rapido will launch a fleet in **Karnataka**, exclusively driven by women for women.

3. Right to Die with Dignity (Karnataka):

On 30 January 2025, the Government of Karnataka issued a circular facilitating the "Right to Die with Dignity" for terminally ill patients, in line with the Supreme Court's 2023 ruling that the Right to Life under Article 21 includes the right to die with dignity.

4. Naxal-Free Declaration (Karnataka):

Karnataka has been officially declared "**Naxal free**" after the final active Naxalite surrendered in the state's **Chikkamagaluru** district.

5. Medical Boards Order (Karnataka):

The **Karnataka Government** issued an order for **Medical Boards** in hospitals to facilitate dignified death requests.

6. IIAP Report on Karnataka:

The Indian Institute of Public Administration's 2024 report ranked Karnataka as the top state.

7. PETA India Tour in Bengaluru:

PETA India embarked on a nationwide tour featuring Asia's first empathy-building animatronic elephant, Ellie, which visited St. Joseph's School in Bengaluru.

8. Myntra 'M-Now' in Bengaluru:

Myntra launched "M-Now" to deliver orders in ~30 minutes. Initially available in **Bengaluru**, with plans to expand to other cities.

Headquarters of Myntra: Bengaluru, Karnataka | CEO: Nandita Sinha | Founded: 2007

9. Coffee Board of India Headquarters:

The Coffee Board of India is headquartered in Bengaluru, Karnataka, with M. J. Dinesh as its Chairman.

10. Phone Pe Low-Cost Disease Insurance Plan:

Phone Pe launched a low-cost disease insurance plan covering vector-borne and air-borne diseases (e.g., dengue, malaria) for ₹59/ye ar, with up to ₹1 lakh medical coverage for 10+ diseases.

HQ: Bangalore, Karnataka / CEO: Sameer Nigam

11. FDI Inflows - Karnataka:

Between April and September 2024, Karnataka received \$3.54 billion in foreign direct investment inflows.

12. Slice Rebranding:

Fintech firm Slice is set to rebrand itself as "Slice Small Finance Bank Limited (Slice SFB)" after merging with North East Small Finance Bank.

Slice HQ: Bengaluru, Karnataka | Founder & CEO: Rajan Bajaj

13. Karnataka State Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Amendment:

The Karnataka Cabinet approved the "Karnataka State Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (Amendment) Draft Bill 2024", which replaces the Governor with the Chief Minister as the chancellor of Karnataka State Rural Development and Panchayat Raj University.

Karnataka CM: Siddaramaiah; Governor: Thaawarchand Gehlot

14. Uber Moto Women in Bengaluru:

Uber launched "**Moto Women**" in **Bengaluru** as a pilot program for women riders with female two-wheeler drivers.

Kerala

1. Landslide Rehabilitation Loan:

The **Central Government** sanctioned an interest free, long term loan of **Rs 529.50 crore** to **Kerala** to rehabilitate landslide victims in **Wayanad**.

2. KaWaCHaM – Kerala Warnings, Crisis and Hazard Management System:

Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan launched "KaWaCHaM" (Kerala Warnings, Crisis and Hazard Management System), India's 1st Fully Integrated Disaster Risk Warning System, at the headquarters of the Kerala State Disaster Management Authority (KSDMA) in Thiruvananthapuram.

3. Rubber Board – iSNR & INR Konnect at Kottavam:

The **Rubber Board** (under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry) unveiled "iSNR (Indian Sustainable Natural Rubber)" and "INR Konnect" during the platinum jubilee of the Rubber Act, 1947 at the Rubber Growers' Conference in Kottayam.

4. Kerala Introduces E-Way Bill (EWB) for Gold Transport:

Kerala became the first state to introduce **E-Way Bill (EWB)** for gold transport within its borders.



5. Rubber Board of India – Headquarters in Kottayam:

The **Rubber Board of India**, established under the Rubber Act, 1947 and functioning under the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, is headquartered in **Kottayam, Kerala**.

6. Kappad Beach, Kozhikode:

Kappad Beach located in **Kozhikode**, **Kerala** (historically significant as the landing spot of Vasco da Gama in 1498) holds the prestigious **Blue Flag Certification** (awarded by the Denmark-based Foundation for Environmental Education, FEE).

7. Kisan Samriddhi Market Portal:

The portal, launched by the ICAR-Agricultural Technology Application Research Institute (ICAR-ATARI) in Bengaluru, is currently operational in Karnataka, Kerala, and Lakshadweep.

8. National Maritime Search and Rescue Exercise & Workshop (SAREX-24):

This exercise was held from 28th to 29th November 2024 in **Kochi, Kerala**, organized by the **Indian Coast Guard (ICG)** under the aegis of the **National Maritime Search and Rescue Board (NMSARB)**.

Madhya Pradesh

1. GCC Policy in Madhya Pradesh:

Madhya Pradesh launched India's first dedicated Global Capability Centers policy.

2. White Tiger Breeding Centre:

India's first White Tiger Breeding Centre will be established in Madhya Pradesh.

3. Indore Climate Mission:

The **Indore Municipal Corporation (IMC)**, in collaboration with the **Energy Swaraj Foundation**, launched a 100-day "Indore Climate Mission" to address local environmental challenges.

4. Ken-Betwa River-Linking Project Launched by PM Modi:

Location: Laid foundation stone in Khajuraho, Madhya Pradesh.

Cost: ₹45,000 crore project aimed at solving water scarcity in the Bundelkhand region (in MP and UP).

Benefits: Addresses drinking and irrigation needs for 10 districts in **MP**; expected to produce 100 MW of hydropower and 27 MW of solar energy.

Additional Projects: Foundation for the Daudhan Dam Irrigation Project (benefiting 11 lakh hectares) and the Parbati-Kalis indh-Chambal River-Linking Project between **Rajasthan** and **MP**.

State Achievement: Madhya Pradesh becomes the 1st state in India with two river-linking projects underway. **Floating Solar Project:** Inaugurated at **Omkareshwar**, marking **MP**'s first floating solar energy plant.

4. Madhya Pradesh Declared "Year of Industry and Employment":

Madhya Pradesh declared 2025 as the "Year of Industry and Employment". The "Invest Madhya Pradesh – Global Investors Summit 2025" will be organized in **Bhopal** in February 2025, with the state's **CM Dr. Mohan Yadav** and **Governor Mangubhai Chhaganbhai Patel** playing key roles.

5. India's First Zero-Waste Airport – Devi Ahilyabai Holkar Airport, Indore:

Location: Indore, Madhya Pradesh.

Inauguration: A 3,000 sq. ft Material Recovery Facility (MRF) was inaugurated by Union Minister of Civil Aviation **Kinjarapu Ram Mohan Naidu**.

Zero-Waste Initiative: Based on the 4R Concept – Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Restore.

Capacity & Future Plans: The MRF can process 750 kg of waste daily, with plans to expand the airport to handle 90 lakh passengers annually by 2026.

6. NAKSHA Pilot Program in Raisen, Madhya Pradesh:

Union Minister **Shivraj Singh Chouhan** inaugurated the National Geospatial Knowledge-based Land Survey of Urban Habitations (NAKSHA) pilot program on 18 February 2025 in **Raisen, Madhya Pradesh** to update urban land records.

7. Madhya Pradesh Cabinet Approves 35% Reservation for Women:

The **Madhya Pradesh Cabinet**, led by **CM Dr. Mohan Yadav**, approved a 35% reservation for women in all state government recruitments.

8. Indore Joins Global List of Accredited Wetland Cities:

Indore, a major city in **Madhya Pradesh**, became one of the first two Indian cities to join the global list of accredited "Wetland Cities" under the Ramsar Convention.

9. Global Recognition as a Top Destination:

Madhya Pradesh earned global recognition as one of the Wall Street Journal's "Go-To Global Destinations for 2025".



Maharashtra

1. Vadhavan Greenfield Port

- Location & Completion: Under construction near **Dahanu**, **Maharashtra**; scheduled to be finished by **2034**.
- **Key Highlights**: Projected to double India's container trade from current levels and expected to rank among the top 10 ports globally, as per **Unmesh Sharad Wagh**, **Chairman of Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority** (JNPA).
- Project Outlay & Structure: Total outlay of Rs 76,000 crore; constructed by Vadhavan Port Project Ltd (VPPL) a joint venture between JNPA and the Maharashtra Maritime Board.
- Broader Goal: Aims for India to be among the top 10 ship-building countries by 2030 and top 5 by 2047, with a target of 10,000 million metric tonnes of cargo handling by 2047.

2. Renaming of Maharashtra State Skills University

- The university will be renamed as "Padma Vibhushan Ratan Tata Skills University".
- Additionally, the **Udyog Bhavan at Charni Road**, **Mumbai** will be renamed as **'Ratan Tata Udyog Bhavan'**.
- The Udyog Ratna Award has been renamed as the 'Ratan Tata Udyog Ratna Award', with Ratan Tata being its first recipient in 2023.

3. Sola Industries (Headquartered in Nagpur)

- A subsidiary of **Economic Explosives Ltd** has set up a drone-manufacturing facility to produce an unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) called "**Nagastra-1**".
- Nagastra-1 is India's first indigenous loitering munition (or "suicide drone"), capable of precise GPS-enabled targeting with a range of approximately 4.5 km.

4. Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) Approves Railway Projects

- Total Cost: ₹7,927 crore for three railway projects spanning Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, and Uttar Pradesh.
 - Projects Include:
 - Jalgaon-Manmad 4th line (160 km)
 - -Bhusawal-Khandwa 3rd & 4th lines (131 km)
 - Prayagraj (Iradatganj)-Manikpur 3rd line (84 km)
- Objective: To enhance connectivity along the Mumbai-Prayagraj-Varanasi route and improve access to regions such as Nashik and Khandwa.

5. National Asset Reconstruction Company Limited (NARCL)

- Function: Provides emergency liquidity, capital, and IT infrastructure support to Urban Cooperative Banks.
- Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra.

6. World Bank's International Debt Report (IDR) 2024 - Loan to Maharashtra

• **Detail**: The World Bank approved a **USD 188.28 million loan** in December 2024 for projects in **Maharashtra** (aimed at bridging gender gaps and introducing the Maha Databank).

7. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh Unveils "Bharat Ranbhoomi Darshan" App

- Event: Launched on January 15, 2025, during the 77th Army Day celebrations.
- Location: Pune, Maharashtra.
- Details: An app that showcases the country's military heritage.

8. Cybercrime Statistics for Maharashtra

• Detail: In the last three years, Maharashtra recorded 19,307 cybercrime cases, one of the highest figures among Indian states.

9. Inauguration of India's First Bio-bitumen-Based National Highway Stretch on NH-44

- Location: Mansar, Nagpur, Maharashtra.
- **Significance**: Marks the first use of bio-bitumen on a National Highway.

10. Maharashtra to Establish India's First Artificial Intelligence (AI) University

• Announcement: The state is set to establish India's first AI university, marking a significant step forward in AI education, research, and innovation in Maharashtra.

11. PM Narendra Modi Inaugurates the Sri Sri Radha Madanmohanji Temple of ISKCON

- Location: Kharghar, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- **Detail**: This inauguration underscores the state's cultural infrastructure development.

12. PM Narendra Modi Commissions Three Major Naval Assets at MDL

- Assets: INS Surat, INS Nilgiri, and INS Vagsheer.
- Location: Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Ltd (MDL) in Mumbai, Maharashtra.



Manipur

- 1. President's Rule in Manipur & CM Resignation:
 - President Droupadi Murmu imposed President's Rule in Manipur under Article 356 after a report from Governor Ajay Kumar Bhalla.
 - This is the 11th time President's Rule has been imposed in Manipur—the highest among all states.
 - Chief Minister N. Biren Singh resigned on 9 February 2025, nearly 21 months after ethnic violence (which has killed over 250 people and displaced more than 60.000 since 3 May 2023).
- 2. Ningol Chakkouba:
 - Ningol Chakkouba, a major festival of the Meitei community in Manipur, was celebrated across the state with great fervor and joy.

Meghalaya

- 1. EasyLottery
 - The Government of Meghalaya launched "EasyLottery", India's first fully digital lottery.
 - First Winner Prize: ₹50 crore.
 - · Director: MSN Marak.
- 2. World Bank Project in Meghalaya (MPOWER Project)
 - Loan: \$35 million for the MPOWER Project in Meghalaya.
 - Focus: Improving adolescent well-being and education; aims to reduce dropout rates among 5 lakh students.
- 3. GoI & ADB Loan for Meghalaya
 - Loan: USD 50 million signed by GoI & ADB to improve water security and climate resilience in Meghalaya.

Nagaland

- 1. Economic Empowerment Initiatives in Nagaland
 - → **Ura Cabs**: Nagaland's own taxi aggregation platform.
 - → **Digital Piggery Insurance Scheme**: Special insurance plan addressing the challenges of livestock insurance.
 - → CM's Micro Finance Initiative: Offers subsidies up to 42% for buying commercial vehicles.
- 2. World Bank's Funding for ELEMENT Project in Tripura & Nagaland
 - → World Bank (WB) approved USD 225.5 million for the Enhancing Landscape and Ecosystem Management (ELEMENT) Project in Tripura and Nagaland.

Odisha

- 1. Odisha's "Bikashita Gaon, Bikashita Odisha (BGBO)" Scheme
 - Launched by the **Odisha government** to focus on **rural infrastructure** and **development**; it replaces the earlier "Ama Odisha Nabin Odisha (AONO)" scheme.
- 2. Monthly Pension Scheme for MISA Detainees in Odisha
 - The Odisha state government introduced a scheme granting a monthly pension of Rs 20,000 to residents detained under the "Maintenance of Internal Security Act (MISA)" during the Emergency (1975-1977).
 - Details:
 - Capital: Bhubanes war
 - Chief Minister: Mohan Charan Majhi
 - Governor: Dr. Hari Babu Kambhampati
- 3. Adoption of Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PM-JAY) in Odisha
 - Odisha became the 34th state (including UTs) to adopt the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PM-JAY).
 - (Launched on 23 September 2018; only Delhi and West Bengal remain outside the scheme.)
- 4. Coastal Villages in Odisha Recognized as 'Tsunami Ready'
 - 24 coastal villages in Odisha were recognized by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO as 'Tsunami Ready'.
 - Locations: Villages in Balasore, Bhadrak, Kendrapada, Jagatsinghpur, Puri, and Ganjam districts.
 - The recognition was given during the 2nd Global Tsunami Symposium held in Indonesia, and Tsunami



Ready Recognition Certificates were renewed for Noliasahi in Jagatsinghpur and Venkatraipur in Ganjam.

Punjab

1. SHE Cohort 3.0 in Punjab

- Launched to empower 25 tech-led women startups in Mohali.
- Details:
 - Capital: Chandigarh
 - Chief Minister: Bhagwant Mann
 - Governor: Gulab Chand Kataria

Rajasthan

1. Rajasthan Heritage Rename:

The government renamed the Foy Sagar Lake in Ajmer as Varun Sagar.

2. Home Minister Amit Shah unveiled an 11-ft statue of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel in Jodhpur, Rajasthan.

Sikkim

1. Government e-Marketplace (GeM) Procurement in Sikkim:

The government's procurement through the Government e-Marketplace (GeM) portal has crossed ₹3 lakh crore (₹3 trillion) so far in FY25.

In FY24, the portal handled procurement of ₹4 lakh crore.

The **GeM portal** was launched on **August 9, 2016** for online purchases of goods and services by all central government ministries and departments.

An MoU was signed with Sikkim in October 2024 to facilitate procurement by the state.

Largest procurement platforms in the world: 1st – KONEPS (South Korea), 2nd – GeM (India), 3rd – GeBIZ (Singapore).

Tamil Nadu

1. Tata Power Solar's 4.3 GW Plant:

Location: Gangaikondan SIPCOT, Tirunelveli, Tamil Nadu.

2. Kashi Tamil Sangamam (KTS) 3.0:

Venue: Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh

Theme: 4S (Saints, Scientists, Students, Social Reformers)

Objective: Reconnect and celebrate the cultural ties between Tamil Nadu and Kashi

Organizer: IIT Madras (portal: kashitamil.iitm.ac.in)

3. National Institute of Siddha (NIS) Sets Guinness World Record:

Record: NIS provided Varmam therapy to 567 individuals simultaneously

Location: Campus in Tambaram, Chennai, Tamil Nadu

The rapy: Varmam therapy is a traditional healing modality in the **Siddha system**

Director: Prof. Dr. R. Meenakumari

4. Shaastra 2025 - IIT Madras Techno-Entertainment Festival:

Dates: January 3–7, 2025 **Theme:** 'Fractal Frontiers'

New Areas Introduced: 'Future Cities' and 'Smart Manufacturing' in the Shaastra Summit and Research

Conference

Flagship Event: Caterpillar Autonomy Challenge and FedEx SMART Centre Hackathon

Focus: Empowering farmers through AI and technology in the 'Uzhavu' campaign

Organizer: IIT Madras, Chennai, Tamil Nadu

5. Tamil Nadu Glass Bridge Inauguration in Kanniyakumari:

Event: Inauguration of India's first-ever glass bridge

Location: Kannivakumari, Tamil Nadu

Details: The bridge connects the Vivekananda Rock Memorial and the 133-foot Thiruvalluvar Statue,

enhancing tourism.



Telangana

1. NTB Inauguration at Nizamabad, Telangana

Union Commerce & Industry Minister Piyush Goyal inaugurated the NTB (National Turmeric Board) at Nizamabad, Telangana, appointing Palle Ganga Reddy as its 1st Chairperson.

2. Telangana EV Tax Exemption Announcement

The **Telangana Government** has announced 100% exemption from road tax and registration fees for all types of **Electric Vehicles** (EVs) purchased and registered in the state for an initial period of 2 years up to December $31,2026. \rightarrow Aim$: To make **Hyderabad** pollution-free.

3. Microsoft New Campus in Hyderabad

Microsoft inaugurated its new campus in Hyderabad.

4. Google Safety Engineering Centre (GSEC) in Hyderabad

Google signed an agreement with the **Telangana** government to establish a **Google Safety Engineering Centre** (GSEC) in **Hyderabad**.

5. Implementation of Rythu Bharosa Scheme in Telangana

The **Telangana** government will implement the **Rythu Bharosa Scheme** after **Sankranti**, offering ₹15,000 annual subsidy perfarmer, replacing the previous **Rythu Bandhu scheme**.

Uttar Pradesh

1. Kashi Tamil Sangamam (KTS) 3.0

Venue: Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh

Theme: 4S (Saints, Scientists, Students, Social Reformers)

2. Atal Pension Yoiana (APY) Subscribers

The highest number of **APY subscribers** as of January 2025 are in **Uttar Pradesh**.

3. Uttar Pradesh Floating Solar Power Projects

Uttar Pradesh plans to set up floating solar power plants across seven reservoirs in partnership with NTPC, THDC, and SJVN.

The state targets 14,000 MW of solar power by 2027 and received ₹7 trillion in new renewable energy investment proposals.

Under the PM Surya Ghar Yojana, 2.5 million households will be connected to solar power in the next three years

4. Integrated Waste Management City in Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh

Completion: September 2025

Location: 40 acres in Sahjanwa, Suthni village, Uttar Pradesh

5. Semiconductor Manufacturing Hub in Jewar near Noida International Airport

The Uttar Pradesh Cabinet approved projects by HCL Group (Vamasundari) and Hiranandani Group (Tarq Semiconductor) to set up a semiconductor manufacturing hub in Jewar near Noida International Airport.

6. Maa Ki Rasoi Initiative in Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh

Inaugurated by: Yogi Adityanath in Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh

Offers: Low-cost meals at ₹9 for people with lower incomes

Run by: Nandi Sewa Sansthan at Swaroop Rani Nehru Hospital

7. Deepotsay in Ayodhya

Location: Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh

Guinness World Records:

o Most people performing 'aarti' simultaneously (1,121 participants)

o Largest display of **oil lamps** (25,12,585 lamps)

8. Indusfood 2025

Inaugurated by: Minister Chirag Paswan

Location: Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh

Participation: 1,800 exhibitors from over 20 countries

9. Tax Devolution

Central Funds to States: ₹1.73 lakh crore

Top Recipient: Uttar Pradesh received ₹31,039.84 Cr

10. Crowd Management for 'Amrit Snan' at Maha Kumbh



The **Uttar Pradesh government** implemented a crowd management plan named **Operation Eleven** for 'Amrit Snan' on Basant Panchami during **Maha Kumbh**

Uttarakhand

1. Uttarakhand Technical Cooperation:

Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) and Uttarakhand's Department of Horticulture and Food Processing signed the Records of Discussions for a Technical Cooperation Project.

2. Geothermal Energy in Uttarakhand:

Identified 40 geothermal sites and signed an MoU with Iceland for exploration toward carbon neutrality by 2070.

3. Uniform Civil Code (UCC) in Uttarakhand:

Uttarakhand became the 1st state in independent India to implement a Uniform Civil Code (UCC), effective 27 January 2025.

(Apart from Uttarakhand, Goa uses a common civil code (the Portuguese Civil Code of 1867). The UCC is referenced in **Article 44** of the Indian Constitution under the **Directive Principles of State Policy (DPSP)**.)

4. Tax Devolution – Central Funds to States:

Among the top recipients, Uttarakhand received ₹17,403.36 Cr.

5. India's First "Writer's Village" in Dehradun, Uttarakhand:
India's first "Writer's Village" was inaugurated in Dehradun, Uttarakhand by former President Ram Nath Kovind.

West Bengal

1. Bio Bank Initiative:

India established its first bio bank in the Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park (Darjeeling Zoo) in West Bengal to preserve biological samples.

2. Nadi Bandhan Project:

West Bengal launched a Rs.200 crore project to prevent riverbank erosion.

3. AB-PM-JAY Exclusion:

Only **Delhi and West Bengal** remain outside the **Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana** (**AB-PM-JAY**); all other states/UTs have adopted the program since its launch on 23 September 2018.

4. SN Bose Centre for Basic Sciences:

The SN Bose Centre for Basic Sciences (named after Dr. S. N. Bose, established in 1986 under the DST, headquartered in Salt Lake City, West Bengal) partnered with Sidho-Kanho-Birsha University to set up the Purulia Observatory—India's fifth major observatory at ~600m altitude on Panchet Hill—featuring an automatic weather station and jointly fostering astronomical and climate research.

5. Coal India Limited Celebrates 50th Foundation Day:

Coal India Limited (CIL) celebrated its 50th Foundation Day on November 3, 2024 at CIL Headquarters, Kolkata, West Bengal. Key events included the launch of the Golden Jubilee logo and mascot "Angara" (inspired by the Royal Bengal Tiger).

6. Darjeeling's Zoo-Based Biobank and Animal Museum:

Darjeeling's Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park (PNHZP) has established India's first zoo-based biobank and animal museum in Darjeeling, West Bengal.

Andaman & Nicobar Islands

1. 7 Products of Andaman & Nicobar Granted GI Tags:

(For the 1st time, a single Union Territory has been granted 7 Geographical Indication (GI) tags at once) These 7 products of Andaman & Nicobar Islands are:

- Hodi (outrigger canoe)
- Nicobari Mat (Chatrai-hileuoi)
- Nicobari Hut (Chanvi Pati Nyi hupul)
- Padauk Wood Craft
- Andaman & Nicobar Coconut
- Nicobari Tavi-i-Ngaich (Virgin Coconut Oil)



• Andaman Karen Musley Rice

Geographical Indication Registry (GIR) in Chennai issues GI tags in India; a registered GI is valid for 10 years

- 2. Central Government Aims to Make Andaman & Nicobar Islands a Hub of Tuna Fish Export:
 - → Global tuna market is worth \$41.94 billion.
 - → The Pacific Ocean is the largest tuna region, producing about 64% of global tuna.
 - \rightarrow Indian Ocean is the second-largest region, producing 21% of global tuna.
 - → India exported **51,626 tonnes** of tuna in 2023-24 worth **\$87.96 million**, representing a hike of **31.83%**

Dadra & Nagar Haveli

1. President Droupadi Murmu inaugurated the Swami Vivekananda Vidya Mandir school at Zanda Chowk in Silvassa (Dadra & Nagar Haveli).

Delhi (National Capital Territory)

1. Delhi Initiatives:

- (i) Mohalla Clinics will be renamed Ayushman Arogya Mandir.
- (ii) The **Delhi High Court** increased pilot weekly rest from 36 to 48 hours (from July 2025) and extended night duty from midnight–5 a.m. to midnight–6 a.m. (effective November 1).
- 2. Bharat Tex 2025:

Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed **Bharat Tex 2025** at **Bharat Mandapam**, **New Delhi** – touted as India's largest global textile event with themes **Resilient Global Value Chains** and **Textile Sustainability**. India is the 6th-largest textile exporter, contributing 8.21% to exports (2023–24).

3. Silk Sector Conference & Indie Haat:

The Central Silk Board inaugurated SILKTECH 2025 at Bharat Mandapam.

Indie Haat was held from 12–18 February 2025 at the National Crafts Museum and Hastkala Academy, New Delhi.

4. Aadi Mahotsav – National Tribal Festival:

Held in **New Delhi** with the theme "A Celebration of the Spirit of Entrepreneurship, Tribal Craft, Culture, Cuisine and Commerce." Organized by **TRIFED** (Chairman – **Ramsinh Rathwa**).

5. Samvidhan Diwas (Constitution Day):

Celebrated the 75th anniversary of the adoption of the Indian Constitution at Samvidhan Sadan, New Delhi.

6. New Lady Justice Statue:

Unveiled by the Chief Justice of India in the Supreme Court.

Symbolism: The new statue is dressed in a saree and holds scales and the **Indian Constitution**, representing decoloniality and the supremacy of the Constitution.

Present CJI: Justice Dhananjaya Y. Chandrachud (50th).

Sanctioned Strength of Judges in SC: 34.

7. Shilp Samagam Mela 2024:

Held at **Dilli Haat, New Delhi**, showcasing traditional handicrafts from 16 states across 105 stalls. (Organized by the **Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment** with the launch of 'TULIP' to empower marginalized artisans.)

8. 8th International Ancient Arts Festival and Symposium:

Organized by **IGNCA** at **New Delhi**, with the exhibition titled "Metaphysical, Symbolic, and Healing Themes in Visual Arts" and conference theme 'Art, Religion, and Healing' featuring discussions on topics like 'Art and Conflict Resolution' and 'Healing in Baul Philosophy'.

9. UGC Launches Ph.D. Excellence Citation:

Instituted by the **University Grants Commission** (**UGC**). Headquarters: **New Delhi**.

Chairman: M. Jagadesh Kumar; Founded: 1956.

10. First All-Women CISF Battalion Approved:

The Union Ministry of Home Affairs approved the first all-women battalion of the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF), comprising 1,025 personnel.

(CISF Headquarters: **New Delhi**.)

11. FSSAI's New Directive for E-Commerce Food Operators:

Directed by the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI).

(FSSAI Headquarters: New Delhi; CEO – G Kamala Vardhana Rao.)



12. Health Pavilion at India International Trade Fair (IITF):

Inaugurated on 14 November 2024 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.

The pavilion showcased innovations in healthcare, including the U-WIN App and Ayushman Bharat – Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY), under the theme "One Health".

13. Commemorative Postage Stamps for Universal Postal Union (UPU):

The **Department of Posts**, **Government of India** released commemorative postage stamps to mark the 150th anniversary of the **Universal Postal Union (UPU)** on **World Post Day**.

14. Delhi Solar Portal:

Delhi Chief Minister Atishi launched the **Delhi Solar Portal** as a single-window solution for installing rooftop solar panels in the national capital, enabling residents to become 'prosumers' and contributing toward the target of 750 MW rooftop solar power generation.

A national-level subsidy of ₹78,000 is provided for installing a 3 KW solar plant, with an additional subsidy of ₹2,000 per KW by the Delhi government for up to 5 KW.

15. Grameen Bharat Mahotsav 2025:

Inaugurated by the Prime Minister of India at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.

16. Lok Sabha Translation Services Expansion:

Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla announced the extension of translation services in the Lok Sabha to six additional languages — Bodo, Dogri, Maithili, Manipuri, Sanskrit, and Urdu.

17. NITI Aayog High-Level Conclave:

Titled "Towards Viksit Bharat @ 2047: Strengthening Economy, National Security, Global Partnerships, and Law," organized at Sushma Swaraj Bhawan, New Delhi.

18. National Sample Survey (NSS) 75th Anniversary:

Celebrated by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi on 7 February 2025.

19. National Turmeric Board Inauguration:

Union Commerce & Industry Minister Piyush Goyal inaugurated the National Turmeric Board at Nizamabad, Telangana — with the launch event held in New Delhi, and Palle Ganga Reddy appointed as its first Chairperson.

20. Republic Day Parade 2025 Table aux Theme:

Theme: "Swarnim Bharat: Viras at aur Vikas."

15 States/UTs have been selected for presenting tableaux on Kartavya Path on 26 January 2025.

Additional Participation: Bharat Parv will be observed from 26–31 January at Red Fort, New Delhi.

21. Open Air Art Wall Museum Inauguration:

Dr. Jitendra Singh, Union Minister of State inaugurated India's first "Open Air Art Wall Museum" at Mausam Bhawan, New Delhi.

22. RSS Headquarters Inauguration:

The Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) officially inaugurated its state-of-the-art headquarters 'Keshav Kunj' in Jhandewalan, New Delhi.

23. National Tribal Festival 'Aadi Mahotsay':

Inaugurated by **President Droupadi Murmu** on **16 February 2025** in **New Delhi**, celebrating India's rich tribal heritage, culture, and traditions. Organized by the **Ministry of Tribal Affairs**.

24. Regional Dialogue on Global Coalition for Social Justice:

India is set to host the first-ever Regional Dialogue on the Global Coalition for Social Justice on 24–25 February 2025 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.

25. Sarai Kale Khan Chowk Renaming:

In **Delhi**, **Sarai Kale Khan Chowk** was renamed to **Bhagwan Birsa Munda Chowk** by **Home Minister Amit Shah** in honor of the tribal freedom fighter's 150th birth anniversary.

26. 43rd India International Trade Fair (IITF):

Held at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi from 14-27 November 2024.

27. EPFO Headquarters:

The Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) is headquartered in New Delhi, with CEO Neelam Shami Rao.

Jammu & Kashmir

1. Airtel Launches Mobile Services Along LoC in Jammu & Kashmir:

Airtel became the 1st private telecom operator to provide services in 7 border villages along the **Line of Control (LoC)** in **Jammu & Kashmir** under the **Vibrant Village Programme**.



The initiative will also improve connectivity for soldiers stationed along the LoC.

Program budget: ₹4,800 crore for FY2022-2026.

Collaborators: Airtel and the Indian Army.

2. New Division in Northern Railways – Jammu Division:

A new railway division created with headquarters in **Jammu**.

Covers 742.1 km of tracks.

3. Jammu & Kashmir to Develop 4 New Tourist Destinations:

Locations: Kokernag (Anantnag), Baradari (Reasi), Bhadarwah (Doda), and Doodhpathri (Budgam).

Partners: Joint venture between the World Bank, J&K Government, and Central Government.

Key Details: Tourism's contribution to GSDP increased to 8.47% in FY23 (from 7.84% in FY20). Existing destinations include **Gulmarg, Pahalgam, and Katra Vaishno Devi**.

4. Uber's Water Transport in Dal Lake:

Service Name: Uber Shikara.

Location: Dal Lake, Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir.

5. J&K Forest Department and JKFI Digital Tree Aadhaar Initiative:

The J&K Forest Department and J&K Forest Research Institute (JKFI) have assigned "Tree Aadhaar numbers" to heritage maple trees (called 'Chinar' or locally 'boonyi') under the Digital Tree Aadhaar initiative.

Project Coordinator: Syed Tariq.

6. PM Narendra Modi virtually inaugurated the Jammu Railway Division:

PM Narendra Modi virtually inaugurated the **Jammu Railway Division**, making it the 69th division under the **Northern Railway Zone**.

Ladakh

- 1. Amara Raja Infra Commissioned Green Hydrogen Fuelling Station in Leh, Ladakh for NTPC Ltd.:
 - → Capacity: Producing 80 kg of green hydrogen per day.
 - → The fuelling station was inaugurated by Manohar Lal, Union Minister of Power.
 - → NTPC will operationalize 5 hydrogen fuel cell buses in the region.
- 2. Ladakhi Losar Celebration:
 - → Ladakhi Losar, marking the Tibetan New Year, was celebrated with great enthusiasm across Ladakh.
- 3. e-Dakhil Portal Launch in Ladakh:
 - → Rolled out across all **States and Union Territories (UTs)** of India as of **November 2024.**
 - → Became fully **pan-India** after its launch in **Ladakh** on **22nd November 2024** by **Lieutenant Governor Brig. (Dr.) B.D. Mishra (Retd.).**

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