

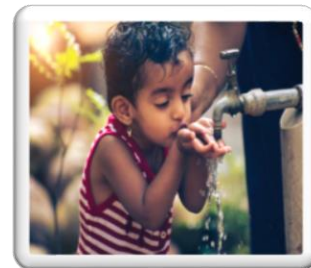
## A vibrant collage of Indian landmarks and culture, shaped like the map of India. The collage includes the Taj Mahal, the Gateway of India, the Colosseum, a tiger, a woman in a red sari, and a white bull, all set against a white background with a black outline of the map of India.



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### Uttar Pradesh is among the top four states with more than 75 lakh tap connections

- Uttar Pradesh has set a record by becoming one of the four states that have provided more than 75 lakh tap connections. Namami Gange and Rural Water Supply Department celebrated this big achievement of the state government with enthusiasm in the form of 'Har Ghar Jal, 75 lakh taps' function.



- In Uttar Pradesh, congratulating the entire team of the department on this achievement, 75 engineers, officers and employees were honored with mementos.

- Apart from this, a film based on the two-year successful journey of Jal Jeevan Mission was unveiled and an e-booklet listing the achievements of the department was released.

- In the program, especially in Bundelkhand, how clean drinking water is being made available to every village in adverse circumstances, it was staged through various cultural programs and efforts were made to reach every household in different rural areas of the state along with eastern, western Uttar Pradesh. The joys received from the festival were presented through cultural highlights.

- Jal Jeevan Mission's Har Ghar Jal Yojana Uttar Pradesh, which has the largest rural population, has achieved a major milestone in a short span of time and has secured the fourth position among the states by providing tap connections to 75,26,740 rural households out of more than 2.62 crore rural households.

- Significantly, Bihar is ahead of Uttar Pradesh with more than 1.58 crore, Maharashtra with more than 1.06 crore and Gujarat with more than 91 lakh tap connections.

### 55 villages of Bulandshahr-Khurja included in YEIDA



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- 55 villages of Bulandshahr and Khurja Development Authority of Uttar Pradesh have now joined the Yamuna Expressway Industrial Development Authority (YEIDA). Its notification has been issued.
- The inclusion of these villages in the Yamuna Expressway Industrial Development Authority (YEIDA) will increase the scope of logistics, warehousing and cargo hubs of the Yamuna Authority.
- Gautam Buddh Nagar, Bulandshahr, Aligarh, Hathras, Mathura and Agra districts are included in the notified area of Yamuna Authority. So far, 40 villages of Bulandshahr district were in the notified area of the authority.
- An airport is also being built in the Yamuna Authority area. Logistics and warehousing hubs will also be developed. There was a plan to connect this hub with rail. For this, the authority had to expand its scope to the Delhi-Howrah railway line. For this, the authority planned to include 55 villages.



### Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath flagged off the D.G. van

- Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath flagged off the DG Van at his official residence. This Mobile DG Van will provide information about Digital India to the public.
- Under the G-20 programme, the objective of this Mobile DG Van is to provide information about Digital India to the public.
- This DG van is dedicated to the important digital innovations of Digital India campaign led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi - 'My Gov', 'Digi Locker', 'e-Hospital', 'e-NAM', 'GEM Portal', 'U.P. 'Umang', 'GSTN', 'Cyber Safe India', 'Aarogya Setu' etc.



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- The van also has a VR setup through which people can see virtual demos of various digital applications like paying at petrol pumps through UPI applications, showing their driving license to traffic police through Digi Locker, etc.
- Uttar Pradesh is a leading state in the field of e-governance. Under the Digital India Mission, various programs are being conducted in the state. Food grains are being distributed through e-POS machines in ration shops under the Food and Logistics Department. This has established a transparent and corruption-free system in food grain distribution.
- Of land other technical infrastructure were created for mining management under directorate 'Mine Mitra' and Mining.
- In this van There are 2 screens for interactive quiz, on which individuals can display their knowledge about Digital India and G-20.
- In order to make the youth of the state digitally empowered and capable, the state government is providing Swami Vivekananda Yuva Sashaktikaran Yojana under 'DigiShakti Portal' through 'tablets of cost to the students/ smartphones free'.
- A total of 2 crore tablets/smartphones are targeted to be distributed in the next 5 years. So far, 20 lakh youth have been provided free tablets/smartphones.
- Prerna portal has been developed to improve the quality of education in the Basic Education Department. Chief Minister Helpline 1076, 1090- Women Power Line Helpline is being implemented properly by making better use of technology.

### **SJVNL Signs MoU with Uttar Pradesh Government to Set-Up Solar Plant in Kanpur**



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- The Central Government's Navratna company Satluj Hydro Power Distribution Corporation Limited (SJVN) company has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Uttar Pradesh State Industrial Development Authority to set up a solar power plant at a cost of Rs 3500 crore in Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh.



- The company has sought about 3000 acres of land in Ghatampur or its surrounding area from the authority for setting up the plant. The company will set up a solar plant of about 700 MW capacity on this land.

- About 300 people will get employment with the establishment of this plant. At the same time, the environment will be benefited due to pollution-free electricity.

- SJVN Additional General Manager Surendra Singh said that the company is setting up 75 MW plants each in Kalpi and Orai tehsils of Jalaun, in which the project set up in Parasan village of Kalpi has come into operation.

- At the same time, a 50 MW solar power plant is also under construction at Akbarpur in Kanpur Dehat.

- It is noteworthy that the electricity generated from the solar plant is cheaper than the electricity generated through any other medium.

- Apart from the open market, the company will directly approach industries and establishments like Kanpur Metro to sell electricity.

### Justice Pritinkar Diwakar will be the Chief Justice of Allahabad High Court

- The Collegium headed by Chief Justice of the Supreme Court D Y Chandrachud has recommended to the Central Government to





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appoint senior Justice Pritinkar Diwakar as the Chief Justice of the Allahabad High Court.

- The Supreme Court Collegium headed by Chief Justice D Y Chandrachud has recommended to the Central government that Justice Pritinkar Diwakar be appointed to the post vacated by the appointment of Allahabad High Court Chief Justice Rajesh Bindal as a judge of the Supreme Court.
- On October 3, 2018, Justice Diwakar was transferred from The Chhattisgarh High Court and was appointed to the Allahabad High Court. Being the senior-most judge here, he has been recommended to be appointed as the Chief Justice.
- Justice Pritinkar Diwakar was born on 22 November 1961. He is a law graduate from Durgavati University, Jabalpur. He was enrolled as an advocate in 1984.
- He has been Standing Counsel for SAIL, State Bank of India, Chhattisgarh Gramin Bank, Bank of Baroda, IDBI, Madhya Pradesh State Financial Corporation, Kotak Mahindra Bank, Raipur Milk Union, CBSE and many other Municipal Corporations.
- He was designated as Senior Advocate by the High Court of Chhattisgarh in January 2005. He was a member of the Madhya Pradesh State Bar Council for seven years and the State Bar Council of Chhattisgarh for five years.
- He was elevated as a judge of the Chhattisgarh High Court on 31 March 2009. Justice Pritinkar Diwakar will retire from his post on 21 November 2023.

### UP Global Investors Summit - 2023

- On February 12, 2023, the UP Global Investors Summit 2023 (UP GIS-2023) concluded in Lucknow, the capital of Uttar Pradesh, with the guidance of President Draupadi Murmu.



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- A total of 33 days in thousand crore investment proposals were received in 3 lakh 50 the UP Global Investors Summit. With this, a total of 19058 MoUs were signed here. This will provide employment to about 93 lakh, 82 thousand, 607 people.
- The state government has launched a new online system called 'Nivesh Sarathi' for the convenience of investors and monitoring the implementation of MoUs.
- The three-day UP GIS-2023 was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on February 10.
- The Uttar Pradesh government has also included sports in this summit. The Uttar Pradesh Cricket Association has signed an MoU with the state government to build a stadium with a capacity of 30,000 in Barabanki.
- UK companies signed 6 MoUs in the security, technology and defense sectors at the UK partner country session on the last day of the UP Global Summit. Now Uttar Pradesh will become a big center of medical and pharmaceutical sector. In the Global Investors Summit, the state has received proposals worth Rs 63,475 crore in this sector. A total of 156 agreements have been signed so far regarding the business related to medicine and equipment. Many big groups associated with the medicine industry have announced to open hospitals in different districts of Uttar Pradesh. With this, the people of Uttar Pradesh will get better health facilities than before in the coming days.
- In the Uttar Pradesh Global Investors Summit, investors from Singapore signed an MoU worth Rs 29,000 crore for spiritual and eco-tourism in Uttar Pradesh.
- Uttar Pradesh Global Investors Summit 2023 is one of the major summits of the Government of Uttar Pradesh. To accelerate the pace of development in Uttar Pradesh and gain investment, policy makers, industry leaders, business delegations, academicians, think tanks and leaders from all over the world are collectively invited to this platform to explore business opportunities.



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- The Uttar Pradesh Global Investors Summit 2023 set an ambitious target of making the state a USD 1 trillion economy in the next 5 years, an initiative aligned with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision to make India a USD 5 trillion economy, for which the Uttar Pradesh government has 5 years.
- The summit saw the participation of more than 10,000 delegates from more than (domestic and international) countries.
- In December 2022, for UPGIS 2023 the state government had organized 16 road shows in major cities of India, to attract investors and increase investment in Uttar Pradesh.
- Several progressive economies such as the United States, the United Kingdom, Canada, Japan, South Korea, Singapore, Germany, the Netherlands and the United Arab Emirates have been 'partner countries' at the summit.
- It is known that the Uttar Pradesh government organized the Global Investors Summit on a large scale for the first time in February 2018. In this, MoUs were signed on behalf of various big companies worth Rs 4.28 thousand crores.

### Uttar Pradesh will do Electricity Banking on a Large Scale

- Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Chairman M. Devraj told that on the instructions of Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation has started power banking from other states on a large scale in order to fructify the efforts to provide uninterrupted power in all areas.
- Chairman M. Devaraj said that under power banking, during winters and normal days, when the power demand in the state is average or low, at that time the corporation will distribute surplus power available to Jammu-Kashmir, Tamil Nadu, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Karnataka as well as NTPC. Will give When the demand for power





in the state increases, this power will be withdrawn from these states as per the requirement.

- It is noteworthy that in 2014 there were only 1 crore 42 lakh 64 thousand electricity consumers in the state, which have now increased to 3.25 crore. The peak demand for electricity, which was 12327 MW in 2014, has more than doubled to 26589 MW in 2022. There has been a huge increase in the hours of power supply. 24 hours electricity is being provided to the district headquarters and industries, 6 hours more electricity is being provided to the villages.
- With industries getting 24-hour electricity, investors are also eager to come to Uttar Pradesh. The state's economy will get a huge boost if the huge investment proposals received at the Global Investors Summit come to the ground. The output of industries will increase the per capita income as well as the economy of the state.
- It is believed that within two to three years, the economy of the state will reach one trillion dollars. However, with the arrival of industries, the Power Corporation will have to assess the potential growth of electricity demand in the coming years afresh, for which the Corporation has started preparations.
- According to the corporation's chairman M Devraj, after the major decision of power banking, the power corporation will not sell the surplus power available with the state during winter and normal days through the power exchange but will give it to the states with whom agreements are being signed.
- He told that for the first time an agreement has been signed for 249.29 million units from Jammu and Kashmir, 61.56 million units from Tamil Nadu. Agreement is proposed with Karnataka and NTPC. Rajasthan, which is linked to Uttar Pradesh through banking, had tied up for 449.6 million units last year. Now about four times more 1967.8 million units have been tied up for banking. A banking agreement has also been signed with Madhya Pradesh.
- The chairman claims that with this effort, there will be no problem of electricity in the state. In winter, when demand is low, the generating houses



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will be able to run at full capacity, as other states will lose excess power. Under power banking, the corporation will provide power to these states as per the agreement if there is surplus power. These states will return the electricity taken when Uttar Pradesh needs it.

- The advantage of this will be that even when the demand for electricity is maximum in the state between June and September, there will be no shortage of electricity. Electricity will not have to be purchased at the rate of Rs 12 and more from the power exchange. Always the power rate in the power exchange is very high during the summer days.
- The chairman said that 7413 MW capacity will start by the power generation from the new generation units of 2025-26. 2023-24, By the end of 5000 MW units will be operational.
- Electricity worth Rs 927 crore has been purchased in 2021-22 and Rs 2022-23 crore in 1311.91 so far. By 2030, the contracted generation capacity of electricity in the state is to be increased to 40392 MW. The contracted generation capacity is to be taken to 32356 MW in 2023.
- In 2022-23, the maximum demand for electricity reached 26589 MW, whereas in 2014 the maximum demand was only 12327 MW. The peak demand is expected to reach 27776 MW in 2023-24.

### Uttar Pradesh Film Policy-2023

- The Uttar Pradesh cabinet has approved the Uttar Pradesh Film Policy-2023. The Uttar Pradesh government has implemented a film policy to create an environment for film production and to develop various necessary resources for shooting.
- Under the Uttar Pradesh Film Policy-2023, to make Uttar Pradesh the center of film



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production, subsidy will be given for shooting films in the state along with giving a chance to the artists of the state to act in the film.

- A subsidy of two crore rupees will be given for shooting in Uttar Pradesh for two-thirds of the total shooting days for film production. At the same time, a subsidy of up to Rs 50 lakh will be given for setting up a film training institute.
- A film city is being built on one thousand acres in Noida. There is also a plan to develop film production facilities in other districts of the state. Films made in Film City will also be given concession as per this policy.
- Under the film policy, these facilities will also be available - For providing security arrangements for shooting, government guest house, tourist guest house will be arranged on payment as per rules. The difficulties coming from the level of the departments will also be resolved.
- Outdoor shooting units will be given 25 percent discount on room rent in guest houses and hotels of the Tourism Corporation.
- In the state, 50 percent subsidy will be given on production for Awadhi, Braj, Bundeli, Bhojpuri regional films, 25 percent subsidy will be given on making films on Hindi, English and other languages. In this, a subsidy of up to one crore rupees will be given if at least 50 percent of the total shooting day is shot in UP.
- The shooting of the web series will be subsidized up to Rs 10 lakh or One crore per episode. A subsidy of Rs 25 lakh will be given if the five main actors in the web film are from Uttar Pradesh.

### High-Tech Military Hospital will be Built in Uttar Pradesh

- A multi-super specialty military hospital with state-of-the-art facilities will be constructed in Meerut district of Uttar Pradesh and the capital Lucknow.



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- The purpose of constructing the Multi Super Speciality Military Hospital is to provide better medical facilities to the soldiers, military families engaged in the service of the country.
- It is noteworthy that about a decade ago, the Central Command had expressed the need for a military hospital with state-of-the-art facilities in the western Uttar Pradesh sub-area. A proposal was also made for this in the year 2011-2012.
- In 2012-2013, the proposal was first sent to the Central Command and then to the Defence Ministry. Now the Ministry of Defence has approved the construction of a multi-super specialty military hospital with state-of-the-art facilities on defence land in Meerut, along with a state-of-the-art military hospital in the capital Lucknow, which will be the largest military hospital of the Central Command.
- This multi-super speciality military hospital in Meerut will be constructed at a cost of Rs 379 crore. This hospital will have 545 beds.
- The army has already marked the land between Bhagat Chowk to Augharnath Temple in Meerut for the Multi Super Specialty Military Hospital. The board of 'Site for MH' had already been installed on the land proposed by the army. This new military hospital will benefit soldiers, ex-servicemen and their families from 14 districts of western Uttar Pradesh.

### Rajeev Raghuvanshi of Ballia became the New DCGI of the Country

- Dr. Rajeev Singh Raghuvanshi, a resident of Ramnagar of Dokti police station area of Ballia district of Uttar Pradesh, has been appointed as the new Drug Controller General of the country.
- Dr. Rajeev Singh Raghuvanshi will replace Dr. VG Somani. His term ended on February 15.



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- Significantly, there are more than 250 patent medicines in the name of Dr. Rajeev Singh Raghuvanshi.
- Dr. Rajeev Singh Raghuvanshi was working on the post of Secretary-cum-Scientist of Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission. The Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) had recommended his name for the post of DCGI last month. Taking cognizance of this, the cabinet committee has passed the order.
- The DCGI is the head post of the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO), which is responsible for ensuring the supply of quality medicines across the country. It also has the authority to approve new drugs and regulate clinical trials.

### 7 National Highway Projects Inaugurated in Ballia, Uttar Pradesh

- Union Road Transport and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari inaugurated 7 National Highway projects with an investment of Rs 6500 crore at Chitbada village in Ballia, Uttar Pradesh.
- On this occasion, Nitin Gadkari also announced a new link road between Ballia-Ara through 28 kilometer greenfield spur road at a cost of Rs 1500 crore.
- The Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways said that with the construction of Ballia Link Expressway, now using the Purvanchal Expressway, Patna can be reached from Lucknow in just four and a half hours. Ballia to Buxar can be reached in half an hour, Ballia to Chhapra in one hour and Ballia to Patna in one and half hour.
- He said that with the construction of greenfield highway, eastern Uttar Pradesh will get better connectivity from Chhapra, Patna, Buxar in Bihar.





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- With this expressway, the vegetables of the farmers of Ballia will be able to reach the mandis of Lucknow, Varanasi and Patna easily. Vegetable producing farmers will get direct benefit of three multi-modal terminals at Varanasi, Ghazipur and Haldia.
- The Union Minister said that a greenfield road will be built from Chandauli to Mohania at a cost of Rs 130 crore. This road connects Chandauli in Uttar Pradesh and Kaimur district of Bihar to the Delhi-Kolkata GT Road. Will connect with road.
- Similarly, a road will be built from Saidpur to Mardah, through which there will be a direct connection from Mau to Varanasi via Saidpur.
- The Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways said that better connectivity with other cities of the state will improve the economic and social condition of the state. Also, backward areas of Azamgarh district will also get new connectivity.

### **Uttar Pradesh government presented a budget of 6.90 lakh crores for the financial year 2023-24**

- The state budget was presented on 22 February 2023 in Uttar Pradesh. State Finance Minister Suresh Khanna presented the biggest budget in the history of the state so far.
- Uttar Pradesh Finance Minister Suresh Khanna presented a budget of Rs 6 lakh 90 thousand 242 crore 43 lakh in the Vidhansabha.
- The objective of this budget is to build self-reliant Uttar Pradesh and to make Uttar Pradesh a USD 1 trillion economy. Ayodhya will be developed as a model solar city.



### Highlights of UP Budget 2023-24



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- Mukhyamantri Kanya Sumangala Yojana: Rs 1050 crore allocated
- State government allocated Rs 4,032 crore for destitute widows
- Mass marriage: Rs 600 crore allocated. This scheme is for all class of girls and will help in their marriage.
- Swami Vivekananda Yuva Adhikarita Yojana: To provide tablets and smartphones; Rs 3600 crore allocated
- Rs 21,159 crore allocated for construction of roads and bridges
- Rs 6,209 crore for maintenance of roads and bridges
- Rs 3,473 crore for construction of agricultural marketing facilities.
- Rs 1,525 crore for construction of rural roads
- Rs 1,850 crore for construction of Railway Overhead Bridge
- Rs 2,588 crore for widening of state highways
- Rs 2,538 crore for widening of district roads
- Charitable Route: Rs 1000 crore to promote religious tourism
- Rs 150 crore allocated for marriage grant scheme. It is for daughters of OBC families
- A provision of Rs 3000 crore is proposed from the State Road Fund for the maintenance of roads in the state.
- Investment target has been set at Rs 10 lakh crore
- Rs 7,248 crore proposed for pension scheme
- Rs 12,631 crore proposed for National Rural Health Mission

