

Mahoba to be 1st district in UP with tap water for every household

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Lucknow: Mahoba is set to become the first district in the state where every rural household will have tap water connections before July 31, 2023, under the Jal Jivan Mission and Namami Gange. Principal secretary, Namami Gange, Anurag Srivastava confirmed that under the programme, which is aimed at supplying water in rural areas, Mahoba will become the first district where the entire rural area will be covered under the piped water network. An official explained that since it is presumed that urban areas already have 100% tap water coverage, Mahoba is being touted as the first district in UP where all households will have tap water connections by July 31.

In a review held by CM Yogi Adityanath on Monday, he directed officials to ensure that every household in Vindhya-Bundelkhand should get tap water by August this year and as many as 50,000 tap connections should be installed every day to meet the target. In a June 2023 survey for Jal Jivan Mission, three districts from UP, Gautam Buddha Nagar, Jalaun and Shahjahanpur featured in the achievers' category. Mainpuri and Auraiya are the top two districts in the performers' category, while Azamgarh has topped in the aspirants' category.

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Govt okays ₹56K cr capital investments in 16 states

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NEW DELHI: The finance ministry on Monday said it has approved capital investment proposals worth more than ₹56,514 crore for 16 states during 2023-24 under its special assistance to states scheme that is expected to increase capital spending and boost investment across the country.

Under the scheme, the Department of Expenditure has approved several capital investment projects in health, education, irrigation, water supply, power, roads, bridges and railways sectors that are now expected to increase state spend-



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ing. "Under the scheme, special assistance is being provided to the State Governments in the form of 50-year interest free loan

up to an overall sum of ₹1.3 lakh crore during the financial year 2023-24," the finance ministry said in a statement.

It has also approved funds for meeting the states' share of Jal Jeevan Mission and Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana schemes aimed at providing central assistance to states.

"The scheme has eight parts, Part I being the largest with allocation of ₹1 lakh crore. This amount has been allocated amongst States in proportion to their share of central taxes and duties as per the award of the 15th Finance Commission," it said adding other parts of the scheme are either linked to reforms or are for sector specific projects.

Under Part II of the scheme, ₹3,000 crore has been earmarked for providing incentives

to states for scrapping of government vehicles and ambulances, waiver of liabilities on old vehicles, providing tax concessions to individuals for scrapping of old vehicles and setting up of automated vehicle testing facilities.

Meanwhile, Part III and IV of the schemes will aim to provide incentives to states for reforms in urban planning and urban finance.

"An amount of ₹15,000 crore is earmarked for urban planning reforms, while additional ₹5,000 crore is for incentivizing the states for making urban local bodies creditworthy and improving their finances," the ministry said.



KSEB cuts power generation at Moolamattom

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Power generation cut as storage dips

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To maintain minimum storage level in the Idukki reservoir, the Kerala State Electricity Board (KSEB) has reduced power generation in the Moolamattom power plant. According to State Load Dispatch Center (SLDC) officials, as the storage dropped to a low level in Idukki Reservoir, they decided to reduce the power generation from the Idukki hydel project.

An SLDC official said the water level on Monday dropped to 13.76% of the total storage capacity. "The power generation is possible till the water level



Hitting the bottom: The catchment area of the Kulamavu dam, which is part of the Idukki reservoir.

reaches 10% of total storage. At current level, water can be generated only for another week. The board has decided to reduce power generation and keep maximum storage in the dam till rains strengthen," said the official.

"The power generation

at the Moolamattom power plant on Sunday was 2.34 Million Units (MU). The Kerala Water Authority (KWA) is already drawing 40 million litres of water per day (MLD) from the Idukki reservoir for drinking water purposes," said the official.

According to dam safety officials of the KSEB, the water level in the Idukki reservoir on Monday stood at 2,305.04 ft as against 2,338.46 ft (36.32%) on the same day last year. The dam has 33.42 ft less storage than the previous year.

According to the Indian Meteorological department (IMD) data, the rain deficiency in Idukki district till June 26 was 73%. While the normal rainfall is about 627.7 mm, the district recorded only 170.7 mm of rainfall.

The power consumption in the state on Sunday was 74.1106 Million Units (MU) and imported 65.3832 MU.

Woman feared drowned, 59 roads blocked in Mandi

MANDI, JUNE 26

A woman was washed away in a rivulet at Navlay village in the district yesterday while an 80-year-old person was swept away in the Sutlej near Salapar on Saturday.

Heavy rain has caused a loss of Rs 49 crore in the district in the past two days.

Deputy Commissioner Arindam Chaudhary said 59 roads were blocked in the district. Due to heavy rain, one house and two cowsheds were

completely damaged, while four others were partially damaged. A primary school also suffered damage.

“As many as 19 roads were blocked in Seraj block, one in Karsog, two in Gohar, two in Sundernagar, 13 in Thalout, 15 in Dharampur, five in Jogindernagar and one in Mandi,” he added.

He said the PWD had suffered a loss of Rs 26 crore and the Jal Shakti Department Rs 22 crore in two days. — TNS

Water crisis in 16 districts, govt calls for action plan

BENGALURU, DHNS

At least sixteen districts — that's more than half of Karnataka — are facing a drinking water problem with the government on Monday instructing officials to prepare a contingency plan and brace for a "drought-like" situation.

Rainfall deficit across the state has contributed to the drinking water shortage, Rural Development & Panchayat (RDPR) Minister Priyank Kharge was told by officials at a review meeting.

Five of the 16 districts where there is a water problem — Dakshina Kannada, Kodagu, Shivamogga, Uttara Kannada and Udupi — have also seen a big drop in groundwater levels over the last decade.

Priyank directed zilla panchayat chief executive officers to prepare a two-month contingency plan for drinking water, secure local water re-



sources and coordinate with the revenue department for "a possible drought-like situation" in some districts.

Priyank told *DH* villages in 99 taluks have a drinking water problem. "But there has been improvement in Uttara Kannada, for example, where there have been showers for the past two days," he said.

According to information tabled during Priyank's review meeting, north interior Karnataka, Malnad and coastal regions have faced a rainfall

deficit in the range of 68-80% this month. In all, 27 districts have received rainfall deficit.

In 424 villages of 24 districts, 365 tankers have been deployed to supply drinking water. Also, in 357 villages, water is being supplied through 431 private borewells.

According to a statement from the minister's office, the state could be staring at the worst rainfall deficit in 50 years. However, the situation is improving as rains continue in almost all districts.

Every house in Vindhya-Bundelkhand should get tap water by August: CM Yogi

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LUCKNOW: Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has set a target to provide tap water to every household in the Vindhya and Bundelkhand by August.

In a high-level meeting on Monday, the Chief Minister reviewed the progress of the Jal Jeevan Mission and Namami Gange project and called for intensified efforts to provide clean drinking water to every citizen.

"With the resolution of 'Har Ghar Nal-Har Ghar Jal', a grand campaign is going on to provide pure drinking water to 2.65 crore rural families of the state. Before the start of Jal Jeevan Mission, only 5.16



lakh families had access to pure drinking water from the tap. Due to continuous efforts, today the dream of pure drinking water has come true for more than 1.30 crore families. A total of 59.38 lakh connections have been provided in the financial year 2022-23 alone. Remaining houses should also

get piped drinking water in a phased and time-bound manner," Yogi said.

The state government has already provided access to pure drinking water to more than 1.3 crore families, with Mahoba district poised to become the first district in the state where every house will

have tap water. The Chief Minister has instructed officials to install 50,000 tap connections every day to ensure that the Jal Jeevan Mission is completed by March 2024.

The Chief Minister also stressed the importance of increasing awareness about the cleanliness of rivers and ensuring that non-compliant or non-functional sewage treatment plants are made operational immediately. He also called for trained plumbers to be deployed in every village to complete the work in a timely manner and with quality.

"Pure drinking water was a dream for the Bundelkhand and Vindhya region. Today this dream is coming true. Both these areas are on top prior-

ity. With continuous efforts, Mahoba is going to become the first district in the state, where every house will have tap water facility.

Achieve the target of providing tap water connection to every house in Jhansi, Lalitpur, Hamirpur, Jalaun, Banda, Chitrakoot, Mirzapur, Sonbhadra and the whole of Vindhya-Bundelkhand region in the next 2 months," he said.

The success of national schemes like Jal Jeevan Mission depends on the performance of Uttar Pradesh, which is a big state with a big responsibility, said the Chief Minister. Rain-water harvesting should also be encouraged in villages as a good model for water harvesting for the country.

हाईकोर्ट ने सरकार से पूछा-गोविंद सागर झील से मलबा निकालने की क्या है योजना

शिमला | प्रदेश हाईकोर्ट ने राज्य सरकार से पूछा है कि गोविंद सागर झील से मलबा बाहर निकालने के लिए उनके पास क्या कारगर योजना है। पिछली सुनवाई के दौरान कोर्ट ने झील में किसी

भी तरह की डंपिंग पर तुरन्त प्रभाव से रोक लगा दी थी। मुख्य न्यायाधीश एम एस रामचंद्र राव व न्यायाधीश अजय मोहन गोयल की खंडपीठ ने फोरलेन विस्थापित और प्रभावित समिति के

महासचिव मदन लाल द्वारा दायर जनहित में याचिका पर ये आदेश पारित किए। प्रार्थी के अनुसार नेशनल हाईवे अथॉरिटी ऑफ इंडिया ने ठेकेदार को किरतपुर-मनाली सड़क को चौड़ा करने

का कार्य सौंपा है। स्थानीय लोगों के कठोर विरोध के बावजूद भाखड़ा बांध जलाशय में अवैध रूप से सड़क का मलबा फेंका जा रहा है।

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जालोर, सांचोर को जिला बनाने की लोगों को खुशी है, लेकिन रानीवाड़ा के लोग बिजली, पानी, सड़क, लोक परिवहन जैसी मूलभूत समस्याओं से जूझ रहे हैं। नगरो तक तो नर्बदा नहर का पानी पहुंच गया, लेकिन ग्रामीण आबादी अब भी बूंद-बूंद पानी को तरस रही है। उनकी आंखें जल जीवन मिशन के तहत लगे नलों को ताक रही हैं। रोजगार, उपचार और खरीदारी के लिए आज भी यहां के बाशिंदे गुजरात का रुख करते हैं। उदयपुर से पिंडवाड़ा, आबू रोड, रेवदर और मण्डार होता हुआ जब मैं रानीवाड़ा पहुंचा तो सब ऐसा ही

पाया। सड़क के एक ओर गुजरात के खेत और दूसरी तरफ रानीवाड़ा विधानसभा क्षेत्र के गांव। रानीवाड़ा पंचायत समिति के बाहर चाय की दुकान करने वाले बाबूलाल बोले, पिछले दिनों चक्रवात आया, तब से बिजली गुल है। रोजाना फोन करता हूँ, सुनवाई नहीं होती। पीने का पानी नहीं है, टैंकर मंगाकर प्यास बुझाते हैं। इसके बाद मैं रानीवाड़ा खुर्द गांव में चल रहे महंगाई राहत शिविर में पहुंचा। यहां मिले ग्रामीण कृष्णराम मेघवाल बोले, यहां कागजी प्रक्रिया

चल रही है। गांवों में पानी-बिजली की बड़ी समस्या है। जल जीवन मिशन के तहत गांवों में नल लगाए जा रहे हैं। सरपंच उसके पैसे मांग रहे हैं। अब गरीब आदमी कहाँ से पैसे लाए। यहां से मैं सांचोर के लिए रवाना हुआ तो रास्ते में देखा कि पिकअप वाहनों में ओवरलोड सवारियां भरकर ले जाई जा रही हैं। सांचोर में पुलिस धाने के बाहर मिले अधिवक्ता हापूराम विश्मोई बोले, सांचोर तो अब जिला बन गया है, छोटी-मोटी समस्याएं हैं तो वे भी

अब दूर हो जाएंगी। कस्बे के भीतर मिले जाकल गांव निवासी श्रमिक प्रकाश बोले, मजदूरी के लिए रोजाना गांव से आता हूँ, मुकह प्राइवेट बस छूट जाए तो चार किमी पैदल चलना पड़ता है। गांव में नल लगे हैं, लेकिन पानी नहीं आता। सरकारी अस्पताल कम्पाउंडर के भरोसे हैं। उदालाल और गणपत ने बताया कि सांचोर कस्बे में ड्रेनेज की बड़ी समस्या है, घरों में पानी भर जाता है। लोगों ने दिखाया कि पाकिस्तान बॉर्डर की ओर जाने वाली मुख्य सड़क पर गहरा गड्ढा हो रहा है। जिसमें इतना पानी भरा हुआ है कि वाहन निकलते समय आधे डूब जाते हैं। कृषि मंडी में मिले व्यापारी प्रभुलाल ने बताया कि यहां के किसान गुजरात की मंडियों में उपज बेचने जाते हैं। वहां टैक्स कम है और भाव भी अच्छे मिलते हैं। ऐसे में यहां के व्यापारियों को नुकसान हो रहा है। इसके बाद मैं भीनमाल के



खबर का वीडियो देखने के लिए स्कैन करें

लिए रवाना हुआ, तो सड़क जर्जर मिली। रास्ते में ज्यादातर गाड़ियां गुजरात नंबर की दिखाई दीं। वाहन चालकों से पूछा तो बोले, टैक्स कम होने के कारण यहां के लोग गाड़ियां गुजरात से खरीदते हैं।

मानसून : कई राज्यों में भारी बारिश से जनजीवन अस्त-व्यस्त

राजस्थान में चार लोगों की मौत, हिमाचल में तीन सौ मार्ग बंद; पंजाब-हरियाणा में कई जगह जल-जमाव

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उत्तर और पश्चिमी भारत के अधिकतर हिस्सों में मानसून की बारिश के कारण अचानक बाढ़ आने, भूस्खलन होने और कई जगहों पर सड़कें बंद होने के समाचार हैं। ऐसे में राजस्थान में सीमावर्ती को बिजली गिरने से कम से कम चार लोगों की मौत हो गई जबकि हिमाचल प्रदेश में सैकड़ों लोग फंसे हुए हैं।

भारत मौसम विज्ञान विभाग ने कहा कि दक्षिण पश्चिम मानसून उत्तरी अरब सागर, गुजरात, राजस्थान, हरियाणा, पंजाब, जम्मू-काश्मीर और लद्दाख में और आगे बढ़ रहा है।



कुल्लू में भारी बारिश के बाद उपानदी ब्यास नदी का दृश्य।

दिल्ली में मौसम सुहावना बना हुआ है और यहाँ सुबह साढ़े आठ बजे से पिछले 24 घंटे के दौरान यो मिलीमीटर बारिश हुई है। मौसम

कार्यालय ने दिन में बादल छाए रहने और हल्की से मध्यम स्तर की बारिश होने का अनुमान जताया था। अधिकतम तापमान 30

डिग्री सेल्सियस के आसपास रहने का अनुमान है।

हिमाचल प्रदेश में सैकड़ों यात्री फंसे : हिमाचल प्रदेश में कई जगह पहाड़ दरकने से रास्ते जाम हो गए हैं। करीब 300 मार्ग बंद पड़े हैं। इनमें से आधे मार्ग रीमोवर तक खुल गए, लेकिन अभी भी हजारों सैलानी और वाहन चालक सड़कों पर फंसे हुए हैं। मंडी-कुल्लू मार्ग 22 घंटों के बाद बहाल हो पाया। नदिबों में बाढ़ जैसे हालात हैं। मौसम विभाग ने भारी बारिश, आंधी और बिजली गिरने की आशंका को लेकर चेतावनी जारी की है। फरीदपुर-मन्गली, मंडी-फटनकोट, मंडी-कुल्लू खाया कटीला समेत दर्जनों सड़कों पर हजारों वाहन फंसे हुए हैं।