



Yogi Adityanath Became the Longest Serving Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh | Uttar Pradesh | 02 Mar 2023

Why In News?

On March 1, 2023, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath set a record for completing the longest tenure as Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh. Yogi Adityanath completed 5 years and 347 days in office leaving behind Congress's Dr. Sampurnanand, who was the Chief Minister of the state for 5 years and 345 days from 1954 to 1960.

Key points

- It is known that Yogi Adityanath was sworn in as the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh for the first time on March 19, 2017. After this, he took oath as the Chief Minister for the second time on March 25, 2022. Prior to this, he was elected MP from Gorakhpur Lok Sabha seat.
 - SP chief Akhilesh Yadav was the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh for 5 consecutive years and 4 days. BSP chief Mayawati has been the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh continuously for 4 years 307 days. Mayawati has become the Chief Minister of the state four times. Mulayam Singh Yadav was the Chief Minister for three consecutive years and 257 days.
 - Significantly, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath is among the leaders in Uttar Pradesh under whose leadership a single party has formed the government for the second consecutive time. In the 2022 assembly elections, the BJP again came to power with an absolute majority for the second consecutive time and he became the Chief Minister again.
 - Yogi Adityanath is the first BJP Chief Minister to hold power in Uttar Pradesh for five consecutive years. Prior to this, no BJP leader has been the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh for five consecutive years. Apart from Yogi Adityanath, Govind Ballabh Pant, Mayawati and Akhilesh Yadav have been chief ministers of Uttar Pradesh for five consecutive years. No other leader could complete his five-year term.
 - Yogi Adityanath is the second Chief Minister after Congress' Narayan Dutt Tiwari, under whose leadership a single party has formed the government for the second time in the state. 37 years ago, Narayan Dutt Tiwari again formed his government.
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Bihar's Babita Gupta Selected for 'Swachh Sujal Shakti Samman-2023' | Bihar | 02 Mar 2023

Why In News?

According to information received from media sources on March 1, 2023, Babita Gupta of Bihar has been selected for the 'Swachh Sujal Shakti Samman 2023' by the Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Government of India.

Key points

- On International Women's Day, she will be honored with the 'Swachh Sujal Shakti Samman 2023' by the President at a function organized by the Union Ministry of Jal Shakti on March 4 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.
 - International Women's Day week will be celebrated from March 4 under the Swachh Sujal Shakti Samman by the Union Ministry of Jal Shakti.
 - It is known that Babita Gupta, a resident of Siho village of Muzaffarpur, is a member of Self-Help Group (Jeevika), along with making her own livelihood by making decorative material from plastic waste, and showing the way to other women, and has won national level awards for different categories of cleanliness and drinking water. He has been selected in the competition.
 - After her husband's disability, she became a member of Jeevika and learned the skill of making useful items from plastic waste. Due to this she has become self-reliant. Now she is giving training to the women of the village. With this initiative of hers, more than 24 women have become self-reliant.
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Referral Lab will Soon Open in the State for Testing Food Items | Rajasthan | 02 Mar 2023

Why In News?

On March 1, 2023, Rajasthan's Medical and Health Minister Parsadi Lal Meena assured in the assembly that a referral lab would be set up in the state soon for testing food items. He informed that a proposal has been sent to the Central Government by the State Government in this regard.

Key points

- Medical and Health Minister Parsadi Lal Meena said that there are different parameters for testing food samples by the State Food Testing Laboratory and referral lab. The state government has also written a letter to the central government to fix the same parameter across the country.
- Replying to a supplementary question asked by the member in this regard during question hour, Minister Parsadi Lal Meena said that samples that have been unsafe in the testing of food samples in the state laboratory can be tested through referral. At present, referral labs are set up in Mumbai, Pune and Mysore.
- He said that the parameters of safe and unsafe are different in the center and the state. Unsafe 1202 samples were sent for referral to the state laboratory, where only 154 of them were found to be unsafe. The central government has assured the early establishment of referral labs in the state as well.
- Earlier, in a written reply to the original question of MLA Suryakanta Vyas, the Medical and Health Minister said that government laboratories are established in the state to check adulteration of food items. He laid on the table of the House the year-wise and district-wise details of samples taken in government laboratories in the last four years and reports received from them.
- The Medical and Health Minister also placed on the table of the House the decisions, decisions received from the referral received from the said report from the samples declared unsafe by the food laboratories of the state to the referral lab, year-wise and district wise information of the samples considered non-standard and standard.
- Parsadi Lal Meena said that section 46(4) of the Food Safety and Standards Act provides for an appeal against the report of the food analyst to the concerned officer. Under these provisions, on appeal by the designated officer concerned, the samples can be tested by the designated officer from the referral laboratory. The FSSAI has earmarked three referral labs for the state - Mysore, Pune and Navi Mumbai.

- He said that the main reason for the difference in the results of the state laboratory and referral laboratory is to test on different parameters and the interpretation of the results obtained by the investigating officer to give his opinion is also one of the reasons for the investigation results obtained after testing the samples.
- The Medical and Health Minister said that proposals have been sent to FSSAI New Delhi under the MoU in the Work Plan 2023-24 for setting up referral labs in the state.

Cabinet Approves 35 proposals for Economic, Social and Educational Development of the State | Rajasthan | 02 Mar 2023

Why In News?

In the state cabinet meeting held under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot on March 1, 2023, 35 different schemes including economic, social development, promotion of higher education, encouragement of state employees, promotion of industrial activities and control of organized crimes in the state. Important proposals were approved.

Key points

- The Rajasthan Control of Organized Crime Bill-2023 was approved in the cabinet meeting.
 - In this, against whom more than one charge sheet has been presented in the court in the last ten years and the court has taken cognizance of it, as well as who, as a member of organized crime gang, has committed an offense which is cognizable and punishable for a period of three years or more. is punishable, action can be taken against that person.
 - Action will be taken against the gang of two or more persons by whom organized crime is committed in organized crime gang.
 - In case of death of the victim, the offender has been given death penalty or life imprisonment and a minimum fine of one lakh rupees. Also, for criminal conspiracy, giving shelter to gang members, a minimum of five years imprisonment, which can be maximum life imprisonment. Also, a minimum fine of five lakh rupees has been made.
 - At the same time, a provision of minimum three years imprisonment, which can be a maximum of life imprisonment, has been made for acquiring property through organized crime. Also, a public servant who has cooperated in organized crime is punishable with a maximum of three years imprisonment and a fine.
- Other important proposals approved by the Cabinet:
 - The Cabinet has approved a bill to set up Rajiv Gandhi Fintech Digital Institute in Jodhpur. The institute will function as a deemed public university. It will offer certificate courses and diploma courses in the digital and financial technology domain.
 - The Cabinet has approved the proposal to approve the Rajasthan State Forest Policy. This decision will facilitate the systematic development, management of forests in the state and will promote conservation of natural resources in the state and generate many employment opportunities.
 - The Cabinet approved the Climate Change Policy aimed at preventing additional exploitation of the state's natural resources and their sustainable use.
 - The cabinet has approved the 'E-Waste Management Policy' with the objective of reducing, reusing and recycling e-waste in the state and reducing the damage caused by e-waste to the environment.
 - The cabinet has approved amendment in various service rules for appointment in the state government to widows and abandoned women with more than 2 children on and after June 1, 2002. Also, various service rules have been amended regarding promotion of personnel having more than 2 children on or after June 1, 2002.

- The cabinet approved the proposal to amend the Rajasthan Animal Husbandry Subordinate Services Rules, 1977 to change the educational qualification and designation of the posts of water bearer/sweeper/shepherd. With this decision, the posts of waterman/sweeper/shepherd will be merged, and their new designation will be 'animal attendant'.
- The cabinet approved the proposal for amendment in the Rajasthan Fisheries State and Subordinate Services Rules, 2012. With this, the recruitment of posts not coming in the work area of Fisheries Subordinate Service can now be done through written examination by the Rajasthan Staff Selection Board.
- The Cabinet approved the draft Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Governance and Social Sciences Bill, 2023. Its passage will pave the way for the establishment of a university-level innovative institute in the field of higher learning related to governance and social sciences on public-private partnership mode at Jaipur district headquarters.
- The Cabinet approved formation of Section-8 company for setting up Artificial Intelligence of Things Innovation Hub (AIoT) under City Innovation Cluster at Jodhpur. This decision will benefit the youth, startups and entrepreneurs of the state and create employment opportunities.
- The cabinet has approved the proposal to amend section 39 of the Rajasthan Municipality Act, 2009 to take action against the municipality member for pre-election disqualifications. With this decision, the state government will get the right to take action against such municipality members.
- The cabinet decided to allot 210 hectares of land to JK Cement Limited at Village-Parevar, District-Jaisalmer for setting up a cement plant. There will be an investment of about Rs 5000 crore in this project. With the establishment of the project, 1000 people will get direct employment and 5000 people will get indirect employment.
- The Cabinet approved the proposal for allotment of land for establishment of Regional Millet Research Station of Indian Institute of Millets Research, Hyderabad at Gudamalani village in Barmer district.
- The cabinet decided to construct broad gauge dedicated rail line on government land at village Nawan, district Nagaur. Testing and trials of intermediate rolling stock and base land components made in the country and abroad will be possible on this dedicated rail line.
- The Cabinet approved the draft Jai Meenesh Tribal University, Ranpur (Kota) Bill, 2023. The passage of this bill will pave the way for the establishment of this university in the private sector.
- In compliance of the previous budget announcements in the cabinet meeting, it has been decided to develop necessary infrastructure facilities by planning Greater Bhiwadi Industrial Township area and Marwar Industrial Cluster and expanding their jurisdiction.
- Rajasthan Energy Conservation Building Code and Rajasthan Energy Conservation Building Code Rules-2023 were approved for the construction of energy efficient buildings to save energy in commercial buildings. This will reduce energy consumption in the building sector. Also, reduction in carbon-dioxide emissions will help in making the environment cleaner.
- Tuition fees waived on government seats for non-creamy layer candidates of MBC and OBC category on the lines of SC, ST, EWS and women students in the MBBS course of medical colleges run by State Medical Colleges, Jhalawar Medical College and Hospital Society and Raj-MES in the cabinet meeting. It has been decided to do.
- The Cabinet has approved the proposal for allotment of land to the Protection of Animals and Welfare Society for shelter house for homeless dogs. This land is a newly created plot of 1000 sqm in Jaipur Development Authority's residential scheme Ramchandrapura.

Satpura National Park Became the Best Wildlife Destination |

Madhya Pradesh | 02 Mar 2023

Why In News?

According to the information given by the Madhya Pradesh Public Relations Department on March 1, 2023, Satpura National Park has received India Today's Editor's Choice Award in the Best Wildlife Destination category.

Key points

- According to information, the Union Minister of State for Culture and Parliamentary Affairs Arjun Ram Meghwal presented the award at the India Today Tourism Summit and Awards ceremony in New Delhi. Field Director L. Krishnamurthy and Assistant Manager Tourism Board Dr Neelam Rawat received the award on behalf of Madhya Pradesh.
- This award will act as an inspiration to develop more facilities for tourists in Satpura National Park.
- Significantly, the Satpura National Park, also known as the Satpura Tiger Reserve, is in the Hoshangabad district of Madhya Pradesh. Famous as a tiger conservation center, this area is also rich in wildlife and plant diversity.
- Apart from the tiger, various wildlife including leopard, Indian bison, Indian giant squirrel, sambar, chital, deer, nilgai, langur, bear, wild boar are found here.
- The park has more than 300 caves of historical and archaeological importance. 210 km from Bhopal, 240 km from Jabalpur, 250 km from Nagpur. And 85 km from Chhindwara. It is easy to reach the sanctuary by road.
- 52 km from the sanctuary. Pipariya is the nearest railway station and Itarsi is the nearest rail junction. Pachmarhi is also the nearest bus stand and the gateway to the sanctuary.



Madhya Pradesh Budget 2023-24 | Madhya Pradesh | 02 Mar 2023

Why In News?

On March 1, 2023, Madhya Pradesh Finance Minister Jagdish Deora presented the budget for the year

Key points

- To make India's economy \$ 5 trillion, a provision of about 20 percent of the total budget has been made by the state to promote capital expenditure, which is 4 percent of the gross domestic product.
- **'Self-reliant Madhya Pradesh'-Budget- 2023-24** Keeping in view the self-reliant Madhya Pradesh, various schemes have been prepared in mission mode in the budget.
- **'Budget of the people'**- In order to prepare the budget, an effort has been made to include the suggestions of the public in the budget.
- The budget for the year 2023-24 was presented for the first time in the form of e-budget.
 - The total investment amounts to Rs.3,14,024,84 crore, which is 12% more than the previous year. Total net expenditure provision of Rs.2,81,553.62 crore.
 - Revenue surplus Rs 412.76 crore.
 - Fiscal deficit estimated at 4.02% of the Gross State Domestic Product.
 - The estimated revenue receipts are Rs 2,25,709.90 crore, in which the state's own tax amount is Rs 86,499.98 crore, the state's share in central taxes is Rs 80,183.67 crore, non-tax revenue Rs 14,913.10 crore and grants-in-aid received from the center Rs 44,113.15 crore.
 - State own tax revenue is expected to increase by 11% in the year 2023-24 as compared to the revised estimate of 2022-23.
 - Estimated increase of 11% in revenue expenditure in the year 2023-24 as compared to the revised estimate of the year 2022-22.
 - In the year 2023-24, an increase of about 15% in the capital outlay is estimated as compared to the revised estimate of the year 2022-23.
 - Estimated capital outlay in the year 2023-24 estimated at 4% of the state's GDP.
 - Revenue surplus in 2023-24 of the state's GDP is 0.03%.
 - In the year 2023-24, interest payment will be 10% of the total revenue receipts.
- Some key points of the budget
 - 36,950.16 crore for Scheduled Tribes (sub-scheme).
 - 260 for SC (sub-scheme), Rs.86.81 crore.
 - 11406 crores for the establishment of government primary schools.
 - 8000 crores for Prime Minister's Housing Scheme.
 - 8000 crores for Chief Minister Ladli Bahna Yojana.
 - 7332 crores for Jal Jeevan Mission National Rural Drinking Water Mission.
 - 6935 crores to assist in carrying out required reforms as per 15th Finance Commission.
 - 5520 crores for Atal Krishi Jyoti Yojana.
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 - 4775 crores in reimbursement for free electricity supply by MPVIM to 5 HP agricultural pumps/threshers and one light connection.
 - 4641 crores for government high/higher secondary schools.
 - 4176 crores for grants to local bodies as per the recommendation of the 15th Finance Commission.
 - 4039 crores for Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan.
 - 3996 crores for National Health Mission (NUHM/NRHM).
 - 3526 crores for Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS).
 - 3500 crores for the National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme.
 - 3500 crores for Atal Griha Jyoti Yojana.
 - 3230 crores for CM Rise.
 - 3230 crores for the Chief Minister's Farmers Welfare Scheme.
 - 2800 crores for housing for all.
 - 2001 crore for Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana.
 - 1916 crore for social security and welfare.
 - 1826 crore for Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana.
 - 1356 crore for solar energy for irrigation and drinking water schemes.
 - 1272 crore for Minimum Requirement Programme Special Nutrition Diet Scheme.
 - 1250 crore for Investment Promotion Scheme.
 - 1144 crore for Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension.

- 1131 crore for formulation of Disaster Management Plans.
- 1020 crore for the construction/upgradation of rural roads and other district roads.
- 1000 crore rupees for the Chief Minister's Farmers Crop Procurement Assistance Scheme.
- 1000 crore for the Chief Minister's Skill Apprenticeship Scheme.

Uttarakhand's First Heli Ambulance Service Will Start from April | Uttarakhand | 02 Mar 2023

Why In News?

According to information received from media sources on March 1, 2023, the state's first Heli ambulance pilot project is going to start in AIIMS Rishikesh by the last week of April. Prime Minister Narendra Modi can inaugurate the project.

Key points

- According to the information, the Union Aviation Ministry has signed a contract with a company to operate the Heli Ambulance. The Central and state governments will jointly operate Heli ambulance service in Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh.
- The Central and Uttarakhand government will operate the Heli ambulance service in a partnership of 50-50 percent. The contracted company will provide free Heli ambulances to 45 injured and patients in a month. The Heli ambulance covers 100 km from Uttar Pradesh along with the whole of Uttarakhand. Provide service within the scope of
- The contracted company will provide a single-engine helicopter to AIIMS. The company will also deploy medical resources in it. The AIIMS administration is preparing a Medical Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for the operation of Heli ambulances. The first trial run of the Heli ambulance will take place. The service will start after getting the green signal from the AIIMS administration.
- With the introduction of Heli ambulance service, Chardham pilgrims will also get the benefit. Till now, accident and critically ill passengers were airlifted to AIIMS. But now the Heli ambulance will take them to AIIMS.
- Executive Director of AIIMS Rishikesh Prof. Meenu Singh said that the Heli ambulance service will provide timely treatment to the seriously injured and patients of hilly and inaccessible rural areas. The success of the project will also open the way for Heli ambulance service in other states of the country.

Selection of Two Women Sarpanches of the State for Swachh Sujal Shakti Samman-2023 | Uttarakhand | 02 Mar 2023

Why In News?

According to the information received from the media sources on March 1, 2023, Sarpanch Kavita Devi from district Bageshwar and Sarpanch Nikita Chauhan from Dehradun have been declared ODF (free from open defecation) by the Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Government

of India. He has been selected for the Swachh Sujal Shakti Samman 2023 for his excellent work and extraordinary contribution towards creating a plus model.

Key points

- On International Women's Day, she will be honored with the 'Swachh Sujal Shakti Samman 2023' by the President at a function organized by the Union Ministry of Jal Shakti on March 4 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.
- International Women's Day Week will be celebrated from March 4 under Swachh Sujal Shakti Samman by the Union Jal Shakti Ministry.
- Congratulating the two women sarpanches, Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami said that it is a matter of pride for the people of the state, especially the women here, to get this honor.
- This award is a recognition of the extraordinary contribution of women leadership at the grassroots level in Uttarakhand. This honor will inspire all those who are working to make their villages clean and water conservation in the villages. Village heads and sarpanches have an important role in making villages clean, construction of ODF plus model villages, Har Ghar Jal mission and water conservation.
- In Uttarakhand, women village heads, women Sarpanchs, women Swachhagrahis, women self-help groups, ASHAs and Anganwadi workers are making extraordinary contributions to the development of the state through their effective leadership and efficient management at the ground level.

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