

## MP Cabinet Approves Key Development Projects and Schemes

## Why in News?

The **Madhya Pradesh Cabinet** approved several significant initiatives aimed at modernizing the **state's power infrastructure** and enhancing **data transparency**.

## **Key Points**

- Renovation and Modernization of Hydroelectric Plants: The Cabinet sanctioned the renovation and modernization of Gandhi Sagar Plant (115 MW) and Rana Pratap Sagar Plant (175 MW)(in Rajasthan) under the Madhya Pradesh Power Generating Company Limited.
  - Both projects will be funded equally by Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan in a 50:50 ratio, with Madhya Pradesh's share amounting to Rs 127.06 crore.
- Introduction of the 'Data Strengthening Scheme': In a bid to improve governance and policy-making, the Cabinet approved a new 'Data Strengthening Scheme' under the Planning, Economics, and Statistics Department. The scheme aims to ensure:
  - Timely collection and analysis of statistical data.
  - Enhanced transparency and efficiency across departments.
  - Easier access for independent researchers and policymakers, enabling them to design new schemes and reforms.
  - Increased investor confidence due to the availability of reliable data.
- Rebate on Motor Vehicle Tax at Vikramotsav Trade Fair 2025: The Cabinet approved the Transport Department's notifications for the Vikramotsav Trade Fair 2025 in Ujjain.
  - A 50% rebate on lifetime motor vehicle tax for non-transport vehicles (motorcycles, cars, omni buses for private use), and light transport vehicles sold at the fair.
- Rebate on Motor Vehicle Sales at Gwalior Trade Fair 2024-25: The Cabinet also endorsed a similar 50% tax rebate on motor vehicle sales during the Gwalior Trade Fair 2024-25, as per the Transport Department's notification dated 14 January 2025.

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