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21st Anniversary of State Foundation Day | Uttarakhand | 10 Nov 2021

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On the occasion of Uttarakhand State Foundation Day on November 9, 2021, Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami, while paying homage to the martyred state agitators in the summer capital Gairsain assembly complex, inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of various development schemes as well as made important announcements for the development of the state.

Key Points

- The 21st anniversary of the state foundation day was celebrated with full dignity as 'Uttarakhand Mahotsav'.
- On the State Foundation Day, the Chief Minister made the following major announcements-
- Uttarakhand state agitators, who are getting pension of Rs 3100, will be increased to Rs 4500 and those who are getting pension of Rs 5000, will be increased to Rs 6000.
- One women's hostel each will be constructed for girl students studying at each district headquarters of the state. In addition, working women's hostels will be constructed at district headquarters.
- A gift amount of Rs 2000 will be presented to a pregnant woman who stays for 48 hours in hospitals for the safe health of mother and child in government hospitals.
- THR facility will be provided to adolescent girls in the age group of 11 to 18 years. Sanitary napkin vending machines will be set up in each Anganwadi centers to provide sanitary napkins to adolescent girls in the age group of 11 to 18 years.
- Medicines taken in the treatment of chronic diseases (long-term and chronic diseases) will be made available free of cost.
- De-addiction centers will be set up in Dehradun and Haldwani.
- State Institute of Urban Development will be established in the state.

- Updating 32 services operated through e-district, a total of 75 services and remaining 190 services notified in the Right to Service Act will soon be operated through 'Apni Sarkar Portal' to benefit the general public.
- To encourage sports in the state and to connect the youth with different disciplines of sports, 'Sports Policy, 2021' will be implemented.
- In Uttarakhand, AYUSH wellness centers will be opened in the tourist houses of Garhwal Mandal Development Corporation and Kumaon Mandal Development Corporation to increase the economy of the state through 'health tourism'.
- An international training and research institute will be set up under the Bharadisain assembly constituency.
- Adibadri and Ghat area will be made Nagar Panchayat.

Garhwal University Team Selected in NASA Supported Campaign | Uttarakhand | 10 Nov 2021

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Recently, a team of five students from the Physics Department of HNB Garhwal University has been selected for the National Aeronautical and Space Administration (NASA) supported Space Formation Advisory Council asteroid search mission conducted by the International Astronomical Research Collaboration.

Key Points

- This NASA program is being conducted from November 1 to 26, in which Sanjeev Kumar and Karan Singh (Research Students in Physics), Mahavir Prasad and Shivani Kulsari (Master Students in Physics) and Praveen Kumar (Graduate Students - PCM Group) Senior Under the supervision of physicist Alok Sagar Gautam, he is participating in the search for main-belt asteroids and near-Earth objects.
- Asteroids are small celestial bodies found in the interior of our solar system. They are found revolving around the Sun. Their size is much smaller than normal planets and they do not exhibit all the characteristics of the definition of a planet, which is why they are named asteroids.