



## District Wise Per Capita Income Figures 2021-22 released | Uttarakhand | 14 Apr 2023

### Why in News?

Recently Uttarakhand Directorate of Economics and Statistics has released district wise per capita income figures for the year 2021-22. Earlier, during the budget session of the assembly at Gairsain, the state government had presented the report of the economic survey in the house.

### Key Points

- As per the released statistics Haridwar, Udham Singh Nagar and Dehradun districts, which have become industrial cities are at the forefront in terms of per capita income.
- Haridwar has become the district with the highest per capita income in the state while Rudraprayag district of Garhwal division has the lowest per capita income among the remaining 12 districts of the state.
- In the report, the per capita income of the year 2022-23 at the prevailing price was estimated to be Rs 2,33,000. In the year 2021-22, the per capita income of the state was estimated at Rs 2,05,840, but the district-wise per capita income figures could not be prepared. The per capita income of the country at prevailing prices is Rs 1,70,620.
- In the last decade, the graph of prosperity has increased faster in the plain districts than in the hill districts. The highest per capita income of Haridwar district is estimated at Rs 3,62,688. Udham Singh Nagar district is in second place with per capita income of Rs.2,69,070 and Dehradun is in third place with per capita income of Rs.2,35,707.
- Chamoli has the highest per capita income of Rs 1,27,330 among hill districts while Rudraprayag district has the lowest per capita income of Rs 93,160 annually. Bageshwar district of Kumaon division has the lowest per capita income of Rs 98,755.

District wise per capita income (in Rs.)		
District	2011-12 (Base Year)	2021-22 (Present Year)
Uttarkashi	49584	1,07281
Chamoli	64,327	1,27,330
Rudraprayag	46,881	93,160
Tehri	49,854	1,03,345
Dehradun	1,06,552	2,35,707
Pauri	50,476	1,08,640
Haridwar	1,76,845	3,62,688
Pithoragarh	52,413	18,678
Bageshwar	46,457	98,755
Almora	55,640	1,00844
Champawat	52,463	1,16,136
Nainital	94,142	1,90,627

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# Consensus on the plan to Run Driverless Pod Taxis in Dehradun on the Lines of Singapore | Uttarakhand | 14 Apr 2023

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On April 12, 2023, Uttarakhand Chief Secretary S.S. Sandhu said that after Haridwar district, Dehradun will now be the second city in the state where preparations are on to run pod taxis. Here on the lines of Singapore (under Personal Rapid Transit Transport-PRT), a plan has been agreed to run driverless pod taxis.

## Key Points

- In its first phase, as a pilot project, pod taxis will be operated on a six km long route from Panditwari to the railway station. Earlier there was a plan to run a ropeway on this route.
- Uttarakhand Metro Rail Corporation described the use of PRT as useful for such areas of the city where Neo Metro cannot run. PRT system of traffic will be implemented in Doon to get rid of traffic jams and strengthen public transport.
- Under this, pod taxis or vehicles with a capacity of 4-6 passengers will operate on a specially built guideway network.
- It is known that PRT is a type of Automated Guideway Transit (AGT). It is suitable for individual or small group travel. This system is very cheap and its cost is very less as compared to metro, rapid trains.
- It is to be noted that Personal Rapid Transport (PRT) or Pod Taxis are fully automated. It is the size of a car and runs on a steel track. There is no need for a driver to run this taxi. Through this, three to six passengers can be taken at a time.
- The driverless car running under PRT will not run on the road but on the structure built on the column. It will automatically reach the passengers at the push of a button. It is the most modern transport system in the world.
- It is noteworthy that the first pod taxi in the world was run in the year 1970 at the University of Virginia.
- With the implementation of PRT, there will be reduction in the number of vehicles in the city, smart transport service, relief from congestion & reduction in pollution, easy availability and affordable transport service will be available.