



Uttarakhand Launches India's First Gross Environment Product

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Recently, Uttarakhand became the **1st state** in the country to assign **monetary values** to its natural resources, including **air, water, forest, and soil** and termed it as the **Gross Environment Product (GEP)**.

About GEP:

- It is a component of **Green GDP** and is considered as the product and service value that the ecosystem provides for human welfare and economic and social sustainable development, including **provisioning, regulating and cultural ecosystem services**.
 - **Green GDP is an economic growth indicator that factors in environmental aspects like biodiversity losses and climate change costs along with the standard GDP.**
 - In GEP index, man-made conservation (e.g., **amrit sarovars**) accounted separately from natural processes like rain.
- The GEP Index reflects comparative data from 2020-2022 and shows a **0.9% increase** in environmental products created.

Read more: [Mission Amrit Sarovar](#), [Green GDP](#), [Gross Environment Product \(GEP\)](#)

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