



Supplementary Budget Tabled in Uttarakhand Assembly | Uttarakhand | 24 Aug 2024

Why in News?

Recently, The Uttarakhand government presented a Rs 5,013 crore supplementary budget in the state assembly.

Key Points

- The **Uttarakhand Prisons and Correctional Services Bill, 2024**, and **an amendment to the [Zamindari Abolition and Land Reforms Act, 1950](#)** were also introduced.
 - The supplementary budget included **Rs 1,532 crore for centrally funded schemes** and **Rs 273 crore for externally aided schemes**.
 - A total provision of Rs 749 crore has been made for **major construction works** in the state.
 - Rs 50 crore has been kept for [Tehri Lake development](#), Rs 32 crore for [Gau Sadan construction](#), Rs 25 crore for nursing colleges and Rs 14 crore for degree college construction.
- The Uttarakhand Prisons and Correctional Services Bill, 2024, aims to [update the state's prison laws](#) following the **repeal of several older acts** by the Union Ministry of Home Affairs. The bill addresses the **management and rehabilitation of prisoners**.
- The state government has proposed amendments to the Zamindari Abolition and Land Reforms Act to **address issues arising from the expansion of [municipal areas](#) and related land disputes**.

Zamindari Abolition and Land Reforms Act, 1950

- It was one of the **first important pieces of legislation that abolished the zamindari system** in India.
- The main goal of this reform was to **remove the intermediaries**, such as Zamindars, Jagirdars, and Inamdars, who were exploiting tenant farmers.
- The reform also aimed to **strengthen the landholders, or cultivators, by transferring land ownership directly to them**.

Capacity Building Program at NCGG Mussoorie | Uttarakhand | 24 Aug 2024

Why in News?

Recently, The [National Centre for Good Governance \(NCGG\)](#) in Mussoorie, commenced the **5th Capacity Building Program** for mid-career **civil servants of Sri Lanka**.

Key Points

- It is a **two-week program** being organized from 19th August 2024 to 30th August 2024, and is **hosting 39 mid-career civil servants from Sri Lanka**.
- The programme is curated to **offer participants a broader understanding of cultural nuances and shared governance practices**.
 - This exposure presents participants with **valuable insights to adopt and implement [good governance models](#)** for the benefit of the citizens.
 - The program encompasses a wide range of sessions covering topics such as **the Changing Paradigm of Governance, [Digital India](#), the Right to Service: [Ease of Living](#), Land Records Management under the [Swamitva Scheme](#), Aspirational District Programs, the Approach to Achieving SDGs by 2030, [Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana](#), among others.**

National Centre for Good Governance (NCGG)

- The National Centre for Good Governance was **established in 2014**. It is mandated to **train civil servants from India and other countries**.
 - Over the years, the center has successfully trained officers from various nations from various countries such as **Bangladesh, Kenya, Tanzania, Tunisia, Seychelles, Gambia, Maldives, Sri Lanka, Afghanistan, Laos, Vietnam, Nepal, Bhutan, Myanmar, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Somalia, South Africa, Indonesia, Madagascar, Fiji, Mozambique and Cambodia**.

District Isolation Facilities for Mpox | Haryana | 24 Aug 2024

Why in News?

Recently, The **Haryana health department** instructed all districts to be highly vigilant for [Mpox](#). They stressed the significance of **educating healthcare workers and carrying out screening** of suspected [measles cases](#).

Key Points

- The screening is to be conducted through focused surveillance for locations identified by the [National AIDS Control Organisation \(NACO\)](#) for **men who have sex with men and female [sex workers](#), as well as through hospital-based surveillance in dermatology clinics, STD clinics, medicine, and pediatrics outpatient departments**.
- The department has advised all districts to identify isolation facilities and appoint nodal officers for effective patient management.
- All hospitals have been directed to remain alert, and if they encounter any suspected cases, they are to notify [the integrated disease surveillance programme \(IDSP\) unit](#).
 - The **incubation period for those infected is typically 7 to 14 days, but it can also range from 5 to 21 days**, and the **patient is usually contagious during this period**.

Mpox

- Mpox, also known as monkeypox, is a [DNA virus](#). It belongs to the **family Poxviridae**, which consists of large, **double-stranded DNA** viruses.
 - The virus was **first identified in monkeys in 1958** but has since been found to **infect humans as well**.
- **Transmission:** Mpox is primarily transmitted to humans **from animals**, particularly **rodents and primates**, through direct contact or through contaminated objects.
- **Symptoms:** Mpox infection in humans typically presents with **fever, headache, muscle aches**, and a characteristic rash that progresses from macules to papules to vesicles and pustules.
- **Vaccination:** While a vaccine for mpox exists, its **availability and effectiveness are limited**, highlighting the need for improved prevention and control measures.

The National AIDS Control Organisation (NACO)

- It is a **division of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare** that provides **leadership to HIV/AIDS control programme in India** through **35 HIV/AIDS Prevention and Control Societies**.
- NACO has played a **very big role in significantly reducing the prevalence of HIV/AIDS in the country** and that too faster than the global rates.

Tanot Temple Launches Online Pass System | Rajasthan | 24 Aug 2024

Why in News?

Recently, an online pass system has been introduced to enable domestic tourists to visit the **Tanot-Babliyan tourism circuit** located at the **India-Pakistan international border in Jaisalmer** district.

Key Points

- The website is developed by the **Tanot Mata Trust** and is **managed by the [Border Security Force \(BSF\)](#)**.
 - It allows visitors to **feel a sense of pride and patriotism** while observing the border guarding activities.
 - **Interested tourists must complete an online form with detailed information and identification.**
- The **central government has sanctioned Rs 17.67 crore** for the **Tanot tourism project** at the temple complex.

Tanot Mata Mandir

- **Shri Tanot Mata Mandir** is an **ancient Hindu temple** situated in the **Jaisalmer district** of Rajasthan.
- It is dedicated to Tanot Rai, a **manifestation of the Hindu goddess Hinglaj Mata**.

Border Security Force (BSF)

- The BSF was **raised in 1965, after the [India-Pakistan war](#)**.
- It is one of the **[seven Central Armed Police Forces](#)** of the Union of India under the administrative control of the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA).

- Other Central Armed Police Forces are: [Assam Rifles \(AR\)](#), [Indo-Tibetan Border Police \(ITBP\)](#), [Central Industrial Security Force \(CISF\)](#), [Central Reserve Police Force \(CRPF\)](#), [National Security Guards \(NSG\)](#) and [Sashastra Seema Bal \(SSB\)](#).
- The 2.65-lakh force is deployed along the Pakistan and Bangladesh borders.
 - It is deployed on the Indo-Pakistan International Border, Indo-Bangladesh International Border, and [Line of Control \(LoC\)](#) along with the Indian Army and in [Anti-Naxal Operations](#).
- BSF has been defending [Sir Creek in the Arabian Sea](#) and [the Sundarbans delta in the Bay of Bengal](#) with its state of the art fleet of Water Crafts.
- It contributes dedicated services to the [UN peacekeeping Mission](#) by sending a large contingent of its trained manpower every year.

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