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### Uttar Pradesh Rajya Mahila Aayog

Aparna Yadav, sister-in-law of Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav, has been appointed as vice-chairperson of the Uttar Pradesh Rajya Mahila Aayog, alongside Charu Chaudhary.

- ❖ Babita Chauhan has been nominated as the chairperson of the commission.

#### About Uttar Pradesh Rajya Mahila Aayog

- ❖ The Uttar Pradesh Rajya Mahila Aayog was formed in 2002 with the objective of redressing complaints related to harassment of women in the state, advising the government in the development process and taking necessary steps for their empowerment.
- ❖ In the year 2004, Uttar Pradesh Rajya Mahila Aayog Act 2004 came into existence to provide legal basis to the activities of the Commission.
  - Thereafter, the Commission was reconstituted by making certain amendments in the Act in June 2007. Again on 26 April 2013, the Commission was reconstituted by making necessary amendments in the Act.



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- ❖ **Objective of the Commission:** To protect the rights of welfare, security and protection of women.
  - To continuously strive for the educational, economic and social development of women.
  - To give suggestions and recommendations to the State Government after monitoring for remedial measures related to the constitutional and legal rights given to women.

## Business Reforms Action Plan (BRAP) 2022

The union minister for commerce and industry has announced that Uttar Pradesh has bagged “top achiever” status in the Business Reforms Action Plan (BRAP) 2022.

### Key Points

- ❖ **Performance:** Uttar Pradesh has been adjudged “top achiever” in two business centric and one citizen centric areas under BRAP 2022.
- ❖ This recognition underscores the state’s efforts to reduce industrial bottlenecks and enhance the ease of doing business and Uttar Pradesh has made significant strides in paving the way for industrial growth.

### Details

- ❖ Invest UP is the nodal agency responsible for the implementation of the Business Reform Action Plan (BRAP) in Uttar Pradesh and CEO, Invest UP, is the nodal officer.
- ❖ The state government has achieved a significant milestone by fully implementing all the reforms prescribed under the Business Reforms Action Plan (BRAP) 2022.
- ❖ **Reforms recommended:** A total of 352 reforms were recommended under the BRAP 2022.
  - Uttar Pradesh successfully implemented 100% of these reforms, which included 261 action points focused on improving the business environment and 91 action points aimed at enhancing citizen-centric services.
- ❖ Uttar Pradesh has simplified various laws, introduced online registration and renewal of licenses and implemented through a single-window system - **NIVESH MITRA** for various departments, like labour, pollution control board, revenue and many more related approvals. These measures have made it easier for businesses to comply with regulations and have reduced the bureaucratic burden.
- ❖ Uttar Pradesh has implemented an online building plan approval system and integrated various departments for single-window clearance. This has led to a significant reduction in the time required to obtain construction permits, further improving the ease of doing business in the state.

### Poshan Tracker initiative

The Ministry of Women and Child Development has won the National Award for e-Governance 2024 (Gold) for its Poshan Tracker initiative.

#### Key Points


- ❖ Mission Poshan 2.0 has made remarkable progress in tracking the growth of millions of young lives, through its monthly growth monitoring initiative Poshan Tracker, which is also a theme for this year's Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2024.
- ❖ The Poshan Tracker program has successfully identified and addressed growth issues, paving the way for targeted interventions and improved nutritional outcomes, ensuring the health and well-being of children of 0-6 years of age.
- ❖ The Poshan Tracker program uses real-time monitoring to identify and address growth issues among children. It relies on WHO growth charts to assess children's growth patterns by comparing their height and weight with age and sex-specific standards.

### Short News


- ❖ The Uttar Pradesh government claimed an increase of ₹1725.83 crore in tax and non-tax revenue earnings in August 2024 with the total collections going up to ₹15,969.65 crore vis-a-vis ₹14,243.82 crore earned in the same month in 2023.
- ❖ The four-km long artificial lake project in the New Ayodhya township has been shelved on the advice of National Institute of Hydrology (NIH), Roorkee, a government of India body, which was tasked with the responsibility to execute the project.
  - The NIH advised against the project due to its complexities and probability of flooding during monsoon which could lead to adverse situations.

- ❖ The Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana is benefitting a large number of people in Uttar Pradesh significantly, owing to Uttar Pradesh government's efforts to ensure that the Central government's schemes reach every eligible citizen in the state. Till June 2024, in the financial year 2024-25, over 11 lakh people have received loans totalling approximately Rs 11,000 crore. These loans have been provided through various banks and non-banking financial companies (NBFCs) operating in the state.


### Person In News- Appointment

Suresh Prabhu	He has been nominated to the World Agriculture Forum Board.	
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### Person In News- Achievement

Siddhartha Agarwal	A swimmer from Bengaluru, Siddhartha Agarwal, made history by being the oldest Indian to swim the English Channel. He finished the 42-kilometer swim from England to France in 15 hours and six minutes.	 Siddhartha Agarwal Becomes Oldest Indian to Swim Across English Channel
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### Person In News- Sports

Sharath Kamal	He has been appointed as the first Indian ambassador of the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) foundation.	
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### Important News- Other States

<b>Rajasthan</b>	<p>The Rajasthan government has approved a <b>33% reservation for women in the police force</b>. The state government has amended the Rajasthan Police Subordinate Service Rules, 1989.</p> <p>The decision aims to enhance sensitivity in handling women's issues and boost employment opportunities for women.</p>
<b>West Bengal</b>	<p>In a significant step towards achieving the Indian Railways' Mission 100 percent Electrification, IRCON International Limited has successfully commissioned the first Traction SubStation (TSS) in the Alipurduar division at Mathabhanga, West Bengal.</p>

### Miscellaneous

- ❖ The Board of Trustees of the Ramon Magsaysay Award Foundation (RMAF) has launched a seven-volume "Greatness of Spirit" series to commemorate the 65th anniversary of the presentation of the award to His Holiness the Dalai Lama during a meeting at his residence in Dharamshala, Himachal Pradesh.

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