



Cabinet approves continuation of schemes of Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay SanraksHan Abhiyan (PM-AASHA)

The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has approved the continuation of schemes of Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay SanraksHan Abhiyan (PM-AASHA) to provide remunerative prices to farmers and to control price volatility of essential commodities for consumers.

The total financial outgo will be Rs. 35,000 crore during 15th Finance Commission Cycle upto 2025-26.

National Symposium 'Exercise AIKYA' on Disaster Management to in Chennai.

A two-day national symposium of the National Disaster Management Authority and the Army Southern Command entitled Exercise AIKYA in Chennai. The primary aim of the exercise is to enhance disaster preparedness and foster robust collaboration among key stakeholders. The exercise will feature simulations, technology discussions and expert insights into various roles of disaster management.

Four-day mega event, World Food India begins in Delhi

Four-day long World Food India 2024 began at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi. Over 90 countries, 26 Indian States and Union Territories, and 18 Central Ministries and allied government bodies are participating in this mega event. Japan will be partner country and Vietnam & Iran will participate as focus countries.

The event will feature major convergence of innovation, technology, and sustainability in the food processing sector. The event is also a landmark occasion to highlight India's emerging role as a glob. The organizers have launched "Swaad Sutra", a culinary contest, showcasing regional dishes from across India.

Union cabinet approved Venus Orbiter Mission to explore the planet

Chandrayaan-4, Venus Orbiter Mission Gets the Green Light From Union Cabinet. The Union Cabinet has approved the new moon mission Chandayaan-4 and the development of the Venus Orbiter Mission (VOM).

This undertaking is part of the government's objective to explore and research Earth's closest planets.

Cabinet approved 'Bio-RIDE' scheme for biotechnology advancement.

The Union Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, approved the continuation of the two umbrella schemes of the Department of Biotechnology (DBT), merged as one scheme - 'Biotechnology Research Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development (Bio-RIDE)' with a new component namely Biomanufacturing and Biofoundry.

The scheme has three broad components:

- Biotechnology Research and Development (R&D);
- Industrial & Entrepreneurship Development (I&ED)
- Biomanufacturing and Biofoundry

The Bio-RIDE scheme is designed to foster innovation, promote bio-

entrepreneurship, and strengthen India's position as a global leader in biomanufacturing and biotechnology. It aims to accelerate research, enhance product development, and bridge the gap between academic research and industrial applications

Space Station: Bharatiya Anthariksh Station (BAS)

The Union Cabinet, approved the development of the first unit of the Bharatiya Antariksh Station (BAS-1), India's first space station, set to debut with its inaugural module in 2028.

This decision marks a crucial step towards establishing India's own space station by 2035 and paves the way for a crewed lunar mission by 2040.

The revised Gaganyaan programme now encompasses eight missions to be completed by December 2028, including the launch of the BAS-1 unit.



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