

News You Can Use

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Education

1. Govt developing 'common platform' to work with edtech firms, start-ups
<https://indianexpress.com/article/education/govt-developing-common-platform-to-work-with-edtech-firms-start-ups-8492892/>
2. Why a Punjab school won't drop caste name: Our identity, fight for rights
<https://indianexpress.com/article/education/why-a-punjab-school-wont-drop-caste-name-our-identity-fight-for-rights-8491398/>
3. PM Modi inaugurates permanent campus of IIT-Dharwad
<https://indianexpress.com/article/education/pm-modi-inaugurates-iit-dharwad-permanent-campus-jee-main-jee-advanced-8493842/>
4. Delhi education dept launches video series on Happiness Curriculum
<https://indianexpress.com/article/cities/delhi/delhi-education-dept-launches-video-series-on-happiness-curriculum-8493092/>
5. With the onset of summer, cases of influenza will come down, says expert
<https://indianexpress.com/article/cities/chandigarh/summer-cases-influenza-expert-8493099/>
6. Kids from Classes 5, 8 in some Bengaluru schools being 'pressured' to write 2 exams
<https://www.deccanherald.com/state/top-karnataka-stories/kids-from-classes-5-8-in-some-bengaluru-schools-being-pressured-to-write-2-exams-1199878.html>
7. II PU exam: 24.3K students skip Economics paper
<https://www.deccanherald.com/state/top-karnataka-stories/ii-pu-exam-243k-students-skip-economics-paper-1199937.html>
8. Egg for 9th and 10th class children too
<https://www.prajavani.net/karnataka-news/education-boiled-eggs-for-class-9-10-students-1023703.html>
9. Bengaluru Lifesciences Research District to push investment, innovation in life sciences
<https://www.deccanherald.com/city/top-bengaluru-stories/bengaluru-lifesciences-research-district-to-push-investment-innovation-in-life-sciences-1200548.html>
10. Karnataka govt mulls introducing board exams for grades above 4
<https://www.deccanherald.com/state/top-karnataka-stories/karnataka-govt-mulls-introducing-board-exams-for-grades-above-4-1200470.html>
11. Include climate education in schools
<https://www.deccanherald.com/opinion/panorama/include-climate-education-in-schools-1200522.html>
12. Syllabus in govt, pvt schools different: Private school bodies tell Karnataka HC
<https://indianexpress.com/article/education/syllabus-in-govt-pvt-schools-different-private-school-bodies-tell-karnataka-hc-8498942/>



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<https://indianexpress.com/article/cities/chandigarh/summer-cases-influenza-expert-8493099/>
2. 11 new medical colleges to come up under PPP model in Karnataka
<https://www.thehindu.com/news/national/karnataka/11-new-medical-colleges-to-come-up-under-ppp-model-in-karnataka/article66608013.ece>
3. Goa government to hold meeting on H3N2 influenza
<https://www.deccanherald.com/national/west/goa-government-to-hold-meeting-on-h3n2-influenza-1199999.html>
4. H3N2 virus kills 2 in India: What is this virus and how can it be prevented from spreading?
<https://indianexpress.com/article/explained/explained-health/h3n2-virus-deaths-india-symptoms-prevention-8489731/>
5. Active Covid infections cross 500-mark in Karnataka
<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/bengaluru/active-covid-infections-cross-500-mark-in-karnataka/articleshow/98617178.cms>
6. Online health research on the rise among patients in Bengaluru
<https://www.deccanherald.com/state/top-karnataka-stories/online-health-research-on-the-rise-among-patients-in-bengaluru-1200186.html>
7. How Bengaluru-based scientists are removing taboos around menstrual health
<https://www.deccanherald.com/city/top-bengaluru-stories/how-bengaluru-based-scientists-are-removing-taboos-around-menstrual-health-1200252.html>
8. In 2 weeks, Karnataka sees an uptick in Covid hospitalisation; maximum cases in Bengaluru
<https://indianexpress.com/article/cities/bangalore/in-2-weeks-karnataka-uptick-covid-hospitalisation-maximum-bengaluru-8497055/>
9. For third consecutive year, more women diagnosed with TB than men, show BMC data
<https://indianexpress.com/article/cities/mumbai/for-third-consecutive-year-more-women-diagnosed-with-tb-than-men-show-bmc-data-8497473/>
10. Karnataka CM asks Maharashtra to withdraw health scheme, warns of implementing projects in Maharashtra
<https://indianexpress.com/article/cities/bangalore/karnataka-cm-maharashtra-health-scheme-projects-maharashtra-8500955/>
11. Covid cases up, Health Secy writes to 6 states: Step up tracking, tests
<https://indianexpress.com/article/india/centre-6-states-rise-in-covid-cases-8501822/>
12. Flu cases increasing: What is driving the surge
<https://indianexpress.com/article/explained/explained-health/flu-cases-increasing-what-is-driving-the-surge-8502081/>

7 AFFORDABLE AND
CLEAN ENERGY



Clean Energy

1. Power consumers may be hit in Karnataka as 60,000 staffers c ..
http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/articleshow/98616887.cms?utm_source=contentofinterest&utm_medium=text&utm_campaign=cppst
2. KPTCL staff reject talks: Karnataka's power supply likely to be hit from March 15
<https://www.deccanherald.com/state/top-karnataka-stories/kptcl-staff-reject-talks-karnatakas-power-supply-likely-to-be-hit-from-march-15-1200189.html>
3. Karnataka energy dept directs power supply companies to ensure no load-shedding this summer
<https://indianexpress.com/article/cities/bangalore/karnataka-energy-dept-directs-power-supply-companies-load-shedding-summer-8498087/>
4. (VK Exclusive) Govt's order on salary increase is not enough; Order should come from our MD: KPTCL staff
<https://vijaykarnataka.com/news/karnataka/20-percent-pay-hike-is-not-enough-kptcl-md-should-announce-it-then-only-we-will-call-off-our-strike-say-bescom-employee/articleshow/98656711.cms>
5. No load-shedding in Karnataka till May, say power supply companies
<https://www.deccanherald.com/state/top-karnataka-stories/no-load-shedding-in-karnataka-till-may-say-power-supply-companies-1200472.html>

11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES
AND COMMUNITIES



Governance

1. Include dementia in G20 meeting agenda, NGO appeals to govt
<https://www.deccanherald.com/city/top-bengaluru-stories/include-dementia-in-g20-meeting-agenda-ngo-appeals-to-govt-1199630.html>
2. Early pre-monsoon showers due to climate change: Study
<https://www.deccanherald.com/state/top-karnataka-stories/early-pre-monsoon-showers-due-to-climate-change-study-1199624.html>
3. PM Modi gets rousing response during roadshow in Mandya
<https://www.deccanherald.com/state/karnataka-districts/pm-modi-gets-rousing-response-during-roadshow-in-mandya-1199560.html>
4. Amitabh Kant: 'We have tried to make G20 not a govt's presidency but a people's presidency'
<https://indianexpress.com/article/india/amitabh-kant-g20-sherpa-india-economic-issues-modi-govt-8492906/>
5. Foreign Trip for 300 Civil Servants
<https://www.prajavani.net/district/bengaluru-city/300-civic-workers-to-travel-abroad-1023110.html>
6. Demand for cancellation of Public Examination
<https://www.prajavani.net/district/bengaluru-city/public-exam-cancellation-demand-1023126.html>
7. Kerala tries to downplay Kochi garbage scare; one dies allegedly due to smoke
<https://www.deccanherald.com/national/south/kerala-tries-to-downplay-kochi-garbage-scare-one-dies-allegedly-due-to-smoke-1199962.html>
8. RTC employees announce indefinite strike from March 21
<https://www.deccanherald.com/state/top-karnataka-stories/rtc-employees-announce-indefinite-strike-from-march-21-1199900.html>
7. Pre-monsoon rains begin early this year; meteorologists attribute it to rising temperatures
<https://indianexpress.com/article/india/pre-monsoon-rains-begin-early-this-year-meteorologists-rising-temperatures-8496299/>
9. Bank Interest Rates: Interest on loans will rise again! What to do if there is a home loan, car loan?
<https://vijaykarnataka.com/business/personal-finance/rbi-may-hike-repo-rate-again-and-car-loan-and-home-loan-bank-interest-rate-and-emi-may-become-high/articleshow/98631085.cms?story=2>
10. Bengaluru: BWSSB turns to latest STP technology to improve water quality
<https://www.deccanherald.com/city/top-bengaluru-stories/bengaluru-bwssb-turns-to-latest-stp-technology-to-improve-water-quality-1200251.html>
11. Delhi ranks #4 on list of world's most polluted cities
<https://indianexpress.com/article/cities/delhi/delhi-ranks-4-on-list-of-worlds-most-polluted-cities-8497423/>
12. Milk in short supply, Karnataka comes up with a solution: Less being offered for same price
<https://indianexpress.com/article/cities/bangalore/milk-in-short-supply-karnataka-comes-up-with-a-solution-less-being-offered-for-same-price-8497449/>
13. Transport Strike from 21st: Employees in Confusion
<https://www.prajavani.net/karnataka-news/ksrtc-employees-strike-1023588.html>
14. Bengaluru Tech Clusters: 12 clusters are going to rise in the tech corridor of the city!, here are the cluster specialities..
<https://vijaykarnataka.com/news/bengaluru-city/12-clusters-are-going-to-rise-in-the-tech-corridor-of-the-city-here-are-the-cluster-specialities/articleshow/98644145.cms>
15. Woman Loco Pilot Surekha Yadav: Asia's First Woman Loco Pilot for Vande Bharat Railway: Surekha Yadav Achievement
<https://vijaykarnataka.com/news/india/who-is-surekha-yadav-all-you-need-to-know-asias-first-woman-loco-pilot-operates-new-semi-high-speed-vande-bharat-train/articleshow/98648303.cms>
16. Travel time may reduce as tender floated for 165 AI-powered..
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17. Covid increase: Central Government letter to 6 states including Karnataka
<https://www.prajavani.net/india-news/spike-in-covid-cases-central-government-writes-letter-to-six-states-including-karnataka-1024168.html>

18. India is Leading in the field of technology
<https://www.prajavani.net/district/bengaluru-city/india-is-leading-in-the-field-of-technology-1024277.html>
19. Over half of Karnataka districts stare at water crisis, says report
<https://www.deccanherald.com/state/top-karnataka-stories/over-half-of-karnataka-districts-stare-at-water-crisis-says-report-1200846.html>
20. Independent institutions crucial to oversight, accountability: Activist
<https://www.deccanherald.com/city/top-bengaluru-stories/independent-institutions-crucial-to-oversight-accountability-activist-1200864.html>
21. India's 5G rollout fastest in the world; 6G by 2029: Vaishnaw
<https://www.deccanherald.com/national/north-and-central/india-s-5g-rollout-fastest-in-the-world-6g-by-2029-vaishnaw-1200815.html>
22. Delhi Budget starts today, infra projects set to get a leg up
<https://indianexpress.com/article/cities/delhi/delhi-budget-starts-today-infra-projects-set-to-get-a-leg-up-8502188/>
23. Waiting period at immigration counters to be cut
http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/articleshow/98718335.cms?utm_source=contentofinterest&utm_medium=text&utm_campaign=cppst
24. Buses, messy flyovers make mobility hard in Bengaluru
http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/articleshow/98723262.cms?utm_source=contentofinterest&utm_medium=text&utm_campaign=cppst
25. An expressway firmly in focus
<https://www.thehindu.com/news/national/karnataka/an-expressway-firmly-in-focus/article66626665.ece>
26. More than one lakh people opted for higher PF pension, Centre tells Rajya Sabha
<https://www.thehindu.com/news/national/government-says-120279-persons-applied-to-opt-for-higher-pension-till-march-9/article66626555.ece>