

TODAY AT A GLANCE — 10 THINGS TO REMEMBER

- MP Cabinet clears ₹13,790 cr basket (irrigation, courts, sports) on 22 Sep
- ₹4,197 cr Jawad-Neemuch micro-irrigation project sanctioned
- Cheetah CCB-2 released at Gandhi Sagar; MP count now 56
- Ladli Behna 40th instalment: ₹1,500 to ~1.25 cr women (₹1,835 cr)
- Road to GIS-2027: MP begins Delhi investor outreach & tech conclave
- RBI repo rate held at 5.25%; FY27 GDP view raised to 6.7%
- UDAN expanded — Centre inks pacts with 21 states/UTs (₹28,840 cr)
- India at UNGA-81 presses for reformed multilateralism, UNSC seat
- PM-KISAN extended to 2030-31 with ₹3.15 lakh cr outlay
- MP observes Ayurveda Day drive & 'Seva Sankalp' welfare outreach

SECTION A — MADHYA PRADESH SPECIAL



MP Cabinet clears ₹13,790 crore package for irrigation, courts & sport

[MADHYA PRADESH]

MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-II (Polity & Governance)

Syllabus	Mains GS-II — state governance, judiciary, service delivery; Prelims — MP polity, budgets & schemes
Context	On 22 September 2026 the Mohan Yadav cabinet approved a basket of decisions worth about ₹13,790 crore spanning irrigation, the justice system, sports and power.
Key Facts	● ₹962.50 crore for 140 CM Sports Complexes across assembly seats, with PM SHRI permanent helipads ● Judiciary push: High Court scheme ₹2,015.60 cr, Family Courts ₹1,000 cr, Gram Nyayalaya ₹554.61 cr, Legal Aid Board ₹524 cr (2026-31) ● 2,800 MW thermal power to be procured via competitive DBFOO bidding ● Govt Dental College, Indore: BDS seats raised to 100, MDS to 44
Way Fwd	Front-loads justice delivery and grassroots sports infrastructure ahead of GIS-2027 .
Concept	DBFOO = Design-Build-Finance-Own-Operate. The Gram Nyayalaya Act, 2008 sets up mobile village courts for speedy, affordable rural justice.

Micro-irrigation push in Malwa: ₹4,197 crore Jawad-Neemuch project cleared

[ENVIRONMENT]

MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-III (Agriculture & Economy)

Syllabus	Mains GS-III — irrigation, water-use efficiency, MP agriculture; Prelims — MP crops, rivers, GI tags
Context	The cabinet sanctioned pressurised micro-irrigation for the soybean-and-wheat belt of the Malwa-Chambal plateau.
Key Facts	● Jawad-Neemuch Pressurised Micro Irrigation — ₹4,197.58 crore (2026-31) ● Suthalia (Rajgarh) ₹262.63 cr covering 40,000 ha; ● Parvati-Rinsi ₹507.23 cr covering 48,000 ha ● MP is India's largest soybean producer (the 'Soybean State') and a leading wheat/gram grower (Sharbati wheat has a GI tag)
Way Fwd	Drip/sprinkler systems lift water-use efficiency on a rain-dependent plateau; MSP procurement anchors farm incomes.
Concept	Micro-irrigation runs under PMKSY - 'Per Drop More Crop'. A GI (Geographical Indication) tag protects region-specific produce like Sharbati wheat.

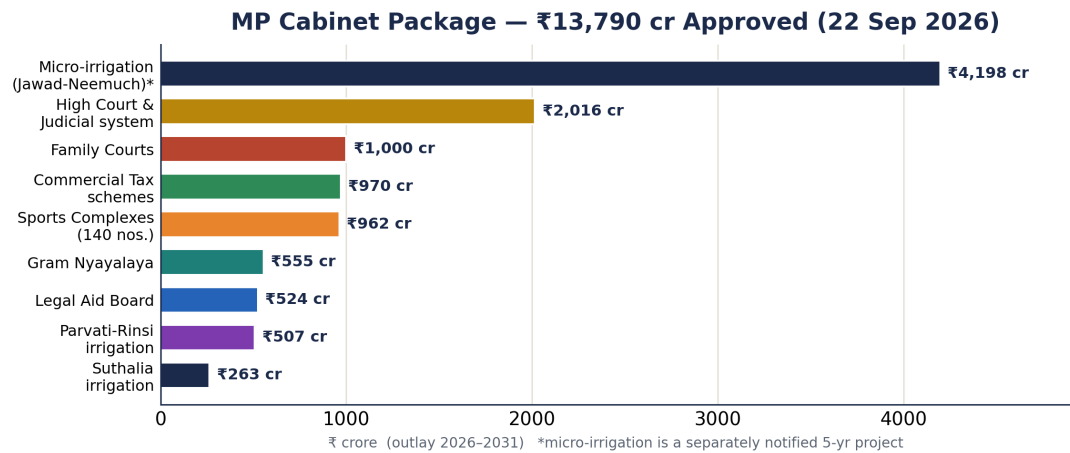


Figure: MP Cabinet package (22 Sep 2026) by sector — official state data.

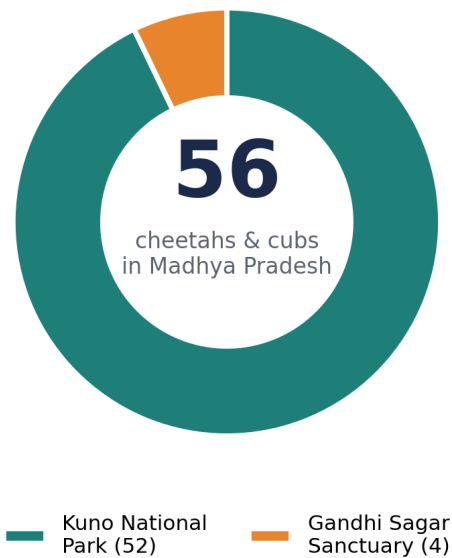
Project Cheetah: female CCB-2 released at Gandhi Sagar; MP count hits 56

[ENVIRONMENT] MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-III (Environment & Ecology)	
Syllabus	Mains GS-III — conservation, biodiversity; Prelims — MP national parks, protected areas, Project Cheetah
Context	On 20 September 2026 the CM released CCB-2 , a 3-year-old female from Botswana , at Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary (Neemuch) — the state's second cheetah home.
Key Facts	● MP now has 56 cheetahs & cubs; Gandhi Sagar houses 4 (Prabhas, Pawak, Dheera, CCB-2) ● Kuno National Park remains the primary site; Veerangana Durgavati Tiger Reserve is being readied as a third habitat ● MP is the 'Tiger State' and 'Leopard State' and has India's largest forest cover
Way Fwd	A multi-habitat spread cuts the disease and inbreeding risk of a small reintroduced population.
Concept	Project Cheetah (2022) was the world's first inter-continental large-carnivore translocation ; the cheetah is IUCN ' Vulnerable '.

Ladli Behna: 40th instalment of ₹1,500 credited to 1.25 crore women

[SOCIETY] MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-II (Social Justice & Governance)	
Syllabus	Mains GS-II — welfare schemes, women empowerment, DBT; Prelims — MP flagship schemes
Context	The state made the 40th monthly transfer under its flagship women's cash-support scheme.
Key Facts	● ₹1,500 / month to about 1.25 crore women; ₹1,835 crore released in the 40th kist ● Money sent by DBT into Aadhaar-seeded bank accounts ● It is MP's flagship women-empowerment & financial-inclusion scheme
Way Fwd	Regular transfers build women's economic agency; long-run fiscal sustainability stays under watch.
Concept	DBT plugs leakages using the JAM trinity — Jan Dhan-Aadhaar-Mobile .

Project Cheetah — Multi-habitat Model



Ladli Behna Yojana — 40th Instalment Credited

₹1,500

monthly transfer
per woman

1.25 cr

women
beneficiaries

₹1,835 cr

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40th kist

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DBT

Aadhaar-linked
accounts

Road to GIS-2027: MP kicks off investor outreach with Delhi meet & tech conclave

[ECONOMY] MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-III (Economy & Industry)

Syllabus	Mains GS-III — investment, industry, employment; Prelims — MP summits, corridors, energy
Context	Ahead of the next Global Investors Summit (GIS-2027) , MP began a national roadshow with a Delhi investor meet and a tech conclave .
Key Facts	● GIS-2025 (Bhopal) had drawn a record about ₹26.61 lakh crore in investment intentions ● Focus: industrial corridors, startups, IT/tech, and renewables (Rewa solar, pumped hydro) ● Regional Industry Conclaves spread investment beyond the Bhopal-Indore belt
Way Fwd	Converting MoUs into on-ground units remains the decisive challenge.
Concept	An ' investment intention ' is a proposal, not realised investment/FDI; ease-of-doing-business reforms decide conversion.

MP marks Ayurveda Day drive and 'Seva Sankalp' welfare outreach

[HEALTH] MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-II (Health & Governance)

Syllabus	Mains GS-II — health governance, AYUSH; Prelims — national health missions, wellness
Context	On 23 September 2026 state departments ran Ayurveda Day activities and a ' Seva Sankalp ' public-service outreach.
Key Facts	● Focus on AYUSH promotion, wellness camps and last-mile scheme saturation ● Aligns with the National AYUSH Mission and the 'Heal in India' push
Way Fwd	Integrating AYUSH with primary health can widen affordable rural access.
Concept	AYUSH = Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani , Siddha , Homoeopathy .

MP Investment Engine

Road to GIS-2027

₹26.61 lakh cr

investment intents at GIS-2025

Delhi meet + conclave

tech push kicks off GIS-2027

Regional conclaves

industry meets across MP

Startups & corridors

new-industry policy focus

SECTION B — DATA POINT OF THE DAY

₹26.61 lakh crore

Record investment intentions at GIS-2025 (Madhya Pradesh)

MP's highest-ever investment intentions, now being pursued through Regional Conclaves on the road to GIS-2027; converting intent into realised units is the next-stage challenge.

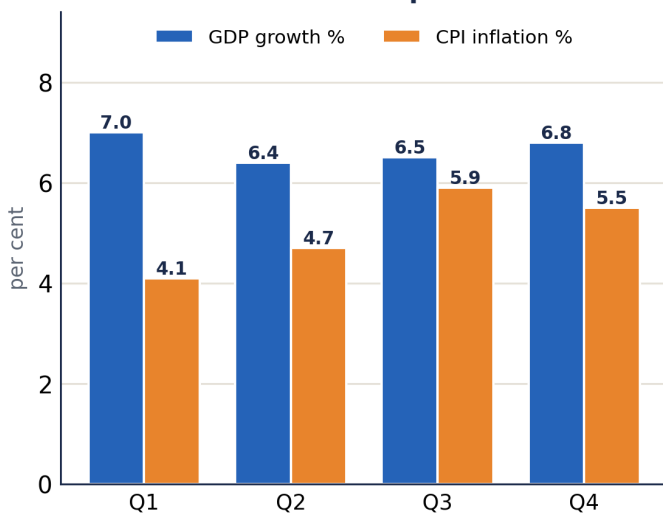
SECTION C — NATIONAL & WORLD

RBI holds repo rate at 5.25%, raises FY27 growth forecast to 6.7%

[ECONOMY] MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-III (Economy)

Syllabus	Mains GS-III — monetary policy, inflation, growth; Prelims — RBI, MPC, policy rates
Context	The Monetary Policy Committee kept the repo rate unchanged with a neutral stance while nudging up its growth view.
Key Facts	- Repo rate 5.25% (unchanged); stance neutral FY27 GDP forecast raised to 6.7% (from 6.6%); CPI cut to 5.0% (from 5.1%) - Backed by resilient manufacturing and steady consumption, despite global uncertainty
Way Fwd	A steady rate anchors expectations while leaving room to ease if inflation stays benign.
Concept	Repo rate is the RBI's key policy rate; the 6-member MPC targets CPI inflation of 4% (±2%) .

RBI FY27 Outlook — Repo held at 5.25%



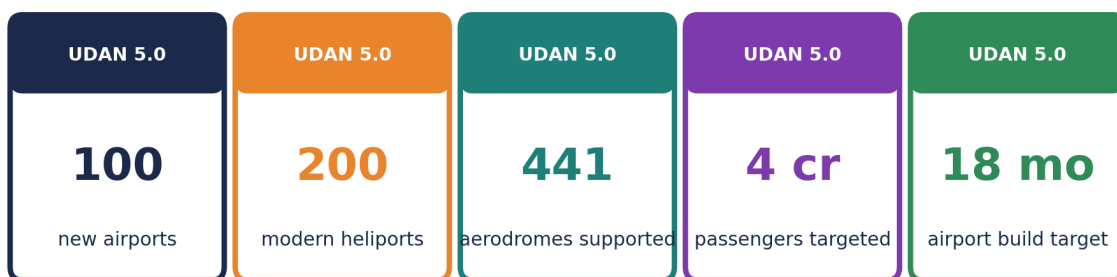
UDAN expanded: Centre signs regional-connectivity pacts with 21 states/UTs

[ECONOMY] MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-II & GS-III (Infrastructure & Governance)

Syllabus	Mains GS-III — infrastructure, aviation, regional development; Prelims — UDAN/RCS, ministries
Context	The Ministry of Civil Aviation signed agreements with 21 states/UTs to widen the UDAN regional-connectivity scheme.
Key Facts	₹28,840 crore outlay; scheme extended by 10 years 100 new airports and 200 modern heliports; support across about 441 aerodromes - Targets nearly 4 crore passengers; airport build time to be cut to 18 months
Way Fwd	Deeper regional connectivity can spread growth to Tier-2/3 towns , including in MP.
Concept	UDAN = Ude Desh ka Aam Naagrik (2016), a Regional Connectivity Scheme using Viability Gap Funding (VGF) .

UDAN Expansion — Pact with 21 States/UTs

₹28,840 crore outlay • extended by 10 years • Ministry of Civil Aviation



India at UNGA-81: Jaishankar presses for reformed multilateralism

[IR] MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-II (International Relations)

Syllabus	Mains GS-II — India & the world, multilateral institutions; Prelims — UN organs, summits
Context	During the UN General Assembly (UNGA-81) high-level week, India's External Affairs Minister called for stronger, reformed multilateralism.

PM-KISAN extended to 2030-31 with ₹3.15 lakh crore outlay

[POLITY] MPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-II & GS-III (Governance & Agriculture)

Syllabus	Mains GS-II/III — welfare schemes, DBT, farm incomes; Prelims — central sector schemes
Context	The Union Cabinet cleared continuation of PM-KISAN , the income-support scheme for farmers, for another five years.

Key Facts	● Push for UN Security Council reform and a stronger Global South voice ● Bilaterals on trade, counter-terrorism and connectivity ● India continues to seek a permanent UNSC seat
Way Fwd	Reform of post-1945 institutions is central to India's claim to a larger global role.
Concept	In the UNGA every member has one vote ; the UNSC has 5 permanent (P5) veto members — India seeks a permanent seat.

Key Facts	● ₹3.15 lakh crore outlay for 2026-27 to 2030-31 ● ₹6,000 / year in three ₹2,000 instalments via DBT + Aadhaar ● Over 9.49 crore farmers benefited in the 23rd instalment; about ₹4.47 lakh crore transferred since 2019
Way Fwd	Sustained income support cushions small farmers; targeting and inflation-adjusted amounts are debated.
Concept	PM-KISAN is a Central Sector Scheme — 100% central funding , unlike Centrally Sponsored Schemes with a state share.

SECTION D — PRELIMS RAPID-FIRE

Q1. MP's second cheetah habitat: Gandhi Sagar WLS (Neemuch)	Q5. Ladli Behna monthly transfer: ₹1,500
Q2. The 'Soybean State' of India: Madhya Pradesh	Q6. Gram Nyayalaya Act enacted in: 2008
Q3. RBI repo rate (Aug 2026 policy): 5.25%	Q7. PM-KISAN annual support: ₹6,000 in 3 instalments
Q4. UDAN full form: Ude Desh ka Aam Naagrik	Q8. MP GI wheat variety: Sharbati

SECTION E — PRACTICE CORNER

MCQ 1. With reference to Project Cheetah, consider the following statements:

1. Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary is Madhya Pradesh's second cheetah habitat.
2. Kuno National Park is located in Madhya Pradesh.
3. The cheetah is listed as 'Endangered' on the IUCN Red List.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

(A) 1 and 2 only (B) 2 and 3 only (C) 1 and 3 only (D) 1, 2 and 3

✓ **Answer: (A) Gandhi Sagar (Neemuch) is MP's second cheetah site and Kuno is in MP, so 1 and 2 are correct. The cheetah is IUCN 'Vulnerable', not 'Endangered', so 3 is wrong.**

MCQ 2. Consider the following pairs of scheme and feature:

1. Ladli Behna — monthly cash transfer to women
2. PM-KISAN — ₹6,000 per year to farmer families
3. UDAN — regional air connectivity

How many of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

(A) Only one (B) Only two (C) All three (D) None

✓ **Answer: (C) All three pairs are correctly matched: Ladli Behna gives monthly cash to women, PM-KISAN gives ₹6,000/year to farmers, and UDAN is the regional connectivity scheme.**

Mains Practice. Cash-transfer welfare schemes such as Ladli Behna have reshaped state politics and household budgets in Madhya Pradesh. Critically examine their impact on women's empowerment and the state's fiscal health. (250 words)

Hint: Cover DBT mechanics & leakage reduction, women's agency and financial inclusion, evidence on outcomes; balance against rising committed expenditure, crowding-out of capital spending, and sustainability. Suggest a way forward (targeting, outcome-linked design).

✂ **ONE-LINE REVISION:** Cabinet ₹13,790 cr • Cheetahs 56 (Gandhi Sagar 2nd home) • Ladli Behna 40th ₹1,500 • Repo 5.25%, FY27 GDP 6.7% • UDAN 21 states, ₹28,840 cr • PM-KISAN ₹3.15 lakh cr.

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