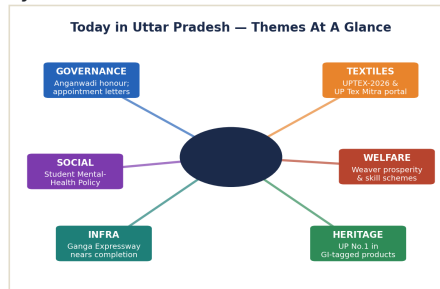


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Uttar Pradesh's day was led by the two-day UP Textile Conclave-2026 in Lucknow, where the government launched the UP Tex Mitra portal and disbursed more than ₹4,000 crore across weaver and powerloom schemes while pushing a 'global textile hub' vision. The CM simultaneously honoured Anganwadi workers in Ayodhya with statewide appointment-letter distribution, and the higher-education department finalised a three-tier Student Mental-Health and Well-Being Policy with support cells in every college and university.



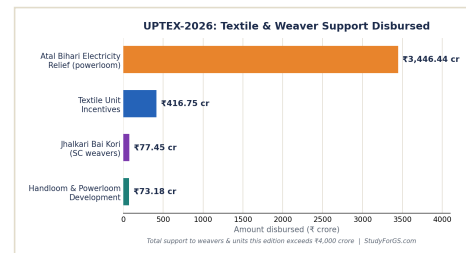
SECTION A · TODAY IN UP

[UP-SCHEME]

UP Textile Conclave 2026 (UPTEX-2026) opens in Lucknow; UP Tex Mitra portal launched

CM Yogi Adityanath inaugurated the two-day UP Textile Conclave-2026 at Indira Gandhi Pratishthan, Lucknow (8-9 September 2026), positioning UP as a future global textile hub.

- ▶ Launched the UP Tex Mitra portal plus the Mukhyamantri Handloom Weaver Prosperity Scheme and a Textile Sector Training & Skill Development Scheme.
- ▶ ₹416.75 crore distributed to 157 textile units; Letters of Comfort issued to 214 units for expansion and diversification.
- ▶ ₹3,446.44 crore electricity relief approved for 99,929 powerloom weavers (Atal Bihari scheme); ₹77.45 crore to 4,039 SC weavers under the Jhalkari Bai Kori scheme; ₹73.18 crore to 4,122 weavers under the Handloom & Powerloom Development scheme.
- ▶ PM MITRA mega textile park coming up on 1,000 acres at the Lucknow–Hardoi border, with boundary-wall work nearly complete.



WHY IT MATTERS Textiles are UP's largest traditional employer and the backbone of the ODOP programme; the conclave links weaver welfare, skilling and large-scale investment, a high-yield theme for UP economy and industry questions.

♦ UPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-III (UP-special GS-V) | Syllabus: UPPSC GS-III (economy, industry, ODOP) + UP-special GS-V; Prelims (state schemes, PM MITRA)

[UP-GOVERNANCE]

CM honours Anganwadi workers in Ayodhya; appointment letters distributed statewide

- ▶ About 12,000–15,000 workers and helpers from the Ayodhya division participated, with parallel ceremonies across all UP districts.
- ▶ Appointment letters were distributed to newly selected workers and outstanding supervisors were recognised.
- ▶ The programme reinforces the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) delivery network for nutrition and early-childhood care.

WHY IT MATTERS Anganwadi centres are the frontline of ICDS and Poshan Abhiyaan; strengthening this workforce ties directly to nutrition, women & child development and rural welfare in UP.

♦ UPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-II (UP-special GS-VI) | Syllabus: UPPSC GS-II (governance, welfare schemes, WCD) + UP-special GS-VI (welfare in UP)

SECTION B · KEY UP DEVELOPMENTS

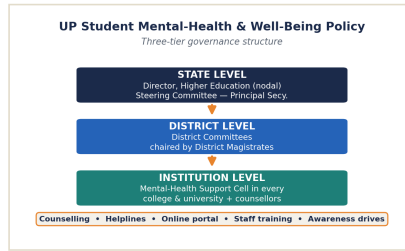
[UP-GOVERNANCE]

UP finalises Student Mental-Health & Well-Being Policy for all colleges and universities

The higher-education department (meeting of 7 September 2026) approved a uniform Student Mental-Health and Well-Being Policy for every state higher-education institution.

- ▶ Mental-Health Support Cells to be set up in every college and university, with confidential counselling, helplines and an online assessment portal.
- ▶ Three-tier governance: Director of Higher Education as state nodal officer, a Steering Committee under the Principal Secretary, and district committees chaired by District Magistrates.

- ▶ Staff training, awareness drives and an integrated monitoring dashboard target exam anxiety, career stress and emotional well-being.



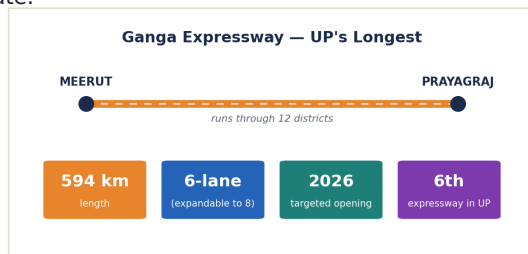
WHY IT MATTERS It is one of India's first state-wide student mental-health frameworks in higher education—an example-rich item for governance, education and social-sector answers specific to UP.

◆ UPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-II (UP-special GS-VI) | Syllabus: UPPSC GS-II (education, health governance) + UP-special GS-VI; also GS-IV (well-being)

[UP-INFRA]

Ganga Expressway—UP's longest—nears completion, targeted to open in 2026

- ▶ Six-lane (expandable to eight), running through roughly a dozen districts including Budaun, Hardoi, Unnao and Raebareli.
- ▶ It becomes UP's sixth and longest expressway, ahead of the Purvanchal (341 km) and Bundelkhand (296 km) expressways.
- ▶ The corridor is designed to cut Meerut–Prayagraj travel time sharply and open industrial and logistics clusters along the route.



WHY IT MATTERS UP's expressway grid is central to its logistics and investment pitch; the Ganga Expressway is the flagship of a network exceeding 1,700 km, a recurring UP infrastructure theme.

◆ UPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-III (UP-special GS-V) | Syllabus: UPPSC GS-III (infrastructure, transport, economy) + UP-special GS-V

[UP-CULTURE]

Uttar Pradesh remains India's No. 1 state in GI-tagged products

- ▶ GI tags protect region-specific products such as Banarasi silk, Bhadohi carpets, Firozabad glassware and a range of ODOP items.
- ▶ The tags dovetail with the ODOP programme, boosting exports and artisan incomes across districts.
- ▶ A GI tag is granted for an initial 10 years (renewable) under the Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration & Protection) Act, 1999.

WHY IT MATTERS GI tags recur in UPPSC Prelims and connect culture, economy and IPR; UP's leadership is a ready UP-special fact for heritage and craft-economy answers.

◆ UPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-I & GS-III (UP-special GS-V) | Syllabus: UPPSC GS-I (culture) + GS-III (IPR, economy) + UP-special GS-V/GS-VI

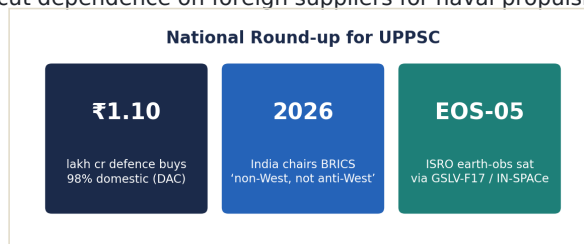
SECTION C · NATIONAL NEWS FOR UPPSC

[NATIONAL]

Defence Acquisition Council clears ~₹1.10 lakh crore buys, 98% from domestic industry

The Defence Acquisition Council approved procurement worth about ₹1.10 lakh crore, with an overwhelming share sourced from Indian industry.

- ▶ Around 98% of the value is earmarked for domestic sourcing, deepening the Atmanirbhar Bharat push in defence.
- ▶ Approvals span CBRN reconnaissance vehicles, advanced helicopters, indigenous marine gas turbines and Arudhra radars.
- ▶ Indigenous marine gas turbines cut dependence on foreign suppliers for naval propulsion.



WHY IT MATTERS Defence indigenisation is a staple of GS-III (internal security, defence economy) and shows the shift from importer to domestic manufacturing.

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◆ UPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-III | Syllabus: UPPSC GS-III (defence, security, economy)

[NATIONAL]

India's BRICS chairmanship: 'non-West, not anti-West'

- ▶ BRICS seeks greater voice for emerging economies in bodies like the IMF and World Bank.
- ▶ The New Development Bank (est. 2014) offers alternative development financing to members.
- ▶ India pursues 'strategic autonomy'—engagement without exclusive alignment.

WHY IT MATTERS BRICS, multipolarity and reform of global governance are core GS-II international-relations themes with steady exam relevance.

◆ UPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-II | Syllabus: UPPSC GS-II (international relations, global groupings)

[NATIONAL]

ISRO deepens private-sector role; EOS-05 earth-observation satellite launched

- ▶ The EOS-05 earth-observation satellite was placed in orbit by a GSLV-class launch (GSLV-F17).
- ▶ IN-SPACe promotes and authorises non-government (private) space activity.
- ▶ Earth-observation data supports agriculture, disaster management and remote sensing.

WHY IT MATTERS Space-sector reform and applications are frequent in GS-III science & tech; the ISRO-IN-SPACe model shows public-private restructuring.

◆ UPPSC: Prelims + Mains GS-III | Syllabus: UPPSC GS-III (science & technology, space)

SECTION D · UP RAPID-FIRE

Portal	UP Tex Mitra portal launched to support textile businesses & weavers.
Scheme	Mukhyamantri Handloom Weaver Prosperity Scheme rolled out for handloom weavers.
Infra	PM MITRA mega textile park (1,000 acres) coming up at the Lucknow-Hardoi border.
Expressway	594-km Ganga Expressway (Meerut-Prayagraj) set to become UP's longest.
Heritage	UP remains India's No. 1 state by number of GI-tagged products.
Governance	Mental-Health Support Cells to be set up in every UP college & university.

SECTION E · PRACTICE CORNER

Q1. With reference to the PM MITRA scheme, consider the following: 1) It sets up mega integrated textile parks. 2) A PM MITRA park is coming up at the Lucknow-Hardoi border in Uttar Pradesh. Which is/are correct?

- (A) 1 only
- (B) 2 only
- (C) Both 1 and 2
- (D) Neither 1 nor 2

✓ Answer: (C) — PM MITRA (Mega Integrated Textile Region & Apparel) parks are being developed across states, and UP's park is on 1,000 acres at the Lucknow-Hardoi border. Both statements are correct.

Q2. A Geographical Indication (GI) tag in India is initially granted for a period of:

- (A) 5 years
- (B) 10 years
- (C) 15 years
- (D) 20 years

✓ Answer: (B) — Under the Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration & Protection) Act, 1999, a GI is registered for 10 years and is renewable. Uttar Pradesh leads India in the number of GI tags.

Mains Practice

Uttar Pradesh's expressway grid and textile-park push are presented as engines of industrial growth and employment. Examine how such infrastructure- and cluster-led initiatives can transform the state's economy, and the challenges involved. (250 words)

Hint: Cover: expressway network (>1,700 km) & logistics; PM MITRA/ODOP clusters & jobs; weaver welfare & MSMEs; investment via Invest UP; challenges—land, skilling, credit, market linkage, sustainability.

✂ **QUICK REVISION** Remember today: UPTEx-2026 + UP Tex Mitra portal (₹4,000 cr+ weaver support), Anganwadi honour in Ayodhya, state Student Mental-Health Policy, 594-km Ganga Expressway, UP No.1 in GI tags; nationally—₹1.10 lakh cr DAC (98% domestic), India's BRICS chairmanship, ISRO EOS-05.

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