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### **Maharashtra State News**

# State Approves ₹275 Crore for Temple Development

#### Context:

- The Maharashtra government, under the leadership of Chief Minister Eknath Shinde, has sanctioned ₹275 crore for the development of eight temples across the state.
- This decision aims to enhance tourism and boost the rural economy of Maharashtra.

# **Details of the Development Plans Funding Allocation:**

- Sri Sant Gulabrao Maharaj Pilgrimage Centre, Amravati: ₹25 crore for the first phase
- Riddhapur Temple: ₹14.99 crore
- Sri Panchaleshwar Temple, Beed: ₹7.9 crore
- Shri Kshetra Pohi Deo: ₹4.54 crore
- Jalicha Dev Temple, Jalna: ₹23.99 crore
- Shree Govind Prabhu Temple, Wardha: ₹18.97 crore
- Shree Vitthal Mandir Devasthana, Dhapewada, Nagpur: ₹164.62 crore
- Shiv Parvati Lake Beautification, Vadangay, Kolhapur: ₹14.97 crore

This year marks the 800th birth anniversary of Shri Chakradhar Swami. The occasion is being used to allocate substantial funds for the Mahanubhava Panth shrines.



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<b>Annual</b>	<b>Flower</b>	<b>Festival</b>	at	Kas
Plateau				

#### **Context:**

• The annual flower festival at **Kas Plateau**, a **UNESCO World Heritage Site near Satara**, began on Sep 6.

#### About:

- Kaas Plateau, nestled in the Western Ghats is about 140 km from Pune, was included in the UNESCO World Natural Heritage Site in 2012.
- Known as Kaas Pathar in Marathi, its name is derived from the Kaasa tree, botanically known as Elaeocarpus glandulosus (rudraksha family).
- Designated as a biodiversity hotspot, the Kaas Plateau comes to life with various seasonal flowers forming a floral carpet over the entire lateritic crust during August and September.
- Control measures have been implemented by the forest authorities to handle the pressure of nature lovers visiting the Kaas Plateau.

#### Maharashtra Approves \$10 Billion Semiconductor Fab Unit

#### Context:

 Maharashtra's cabinet has given the green light for a significant semiconductor fabrication unit to be developed by Adani Group in collaboration with the Israeli firm Tower Semiconductor.

#### **Key points:**

- The project, which requires approval from the central government's India Semiconductor Mission (ISM), will be located in Panvel, Mumbai.
- The total investment for this initiative is approximately Rs 83,947 crore (\$10 billion).
- The project is expected to generate over 5,000 direct jobs. It will be situated in the Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation (MIDC) Taloja Industrial Area, which is already home to various industries.
- This unit will be the second semiconductor fabrication project in India, following Tata's Dholera plant, which was approved by the central government earlier.
- If approved under the ISM, the Panvel plant will become the sixth semiconductor chip unit in the country.



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