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Maharashtra State News

Wainganga-Nalganga river linking project	 Why in the news? The Maharashtra cabinet approved the Wainganga-Nalganga river linking project. Key points: Objective: Enhance irrigation in the Vidarbha region, addressing farmer suicides. Water Source: Redirect water from Wainganga river in Godavari basin to Nalganga project in Buldhana district. Beneficiary Areas: 15 talukas across Nagpur, Wardha, Amravati, Yavatmal, Akola, and Buldhana districts. Uses: Irrigation, drinking water, and industrial water supply. Additional Benefits: Plans to divert excess water to drought-prone regions like Marathwada, including Hingoli and Parbhani districts. Project Timeline: Completion expected within 10 years. Financial Assistance: Central government to provide financial aid; initial phase requires ₹1,232 crore.
Wainganga-Nalganga river	 Why in the news? The Maharashtra cabinet approved the Wainganga-Nalganga river linking project. About Wainganga river: Origin: The Wainganga River originates in the Mahadeo Hills, Madhya Pradesh. It flows southward through Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra, covering a distance of approximately 580 km. The river is a key tributary of the Godavari River and eventually merges with the Wardha River to form the Pranahita River. Major cities along its banks include Balaghat, Bhandara, and



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Maharashtra Logistic Policy-2024	 Why in the news? Maharashtra Logistics Policy-2024 approved by the cabinet chaired by CM.
	 Objective: Transform Nagpur into a prominent logistics hub and develop the state over the next decade. Employment Generation: Anticipated to create approximately 5 lakh direct and indirect jobs. Infrastructure Development: 10,000 acres dedicated logistics infrastructure by 2029. Nagpur-Wardha National Mega Logistics Hub to cover 1,500 acres. State Logistics Hubs at five locations, including Amravati-Badnera, each spanning 500 acres with a total allocation of ₹2,500 crore. Regional Logistics Hubs on 300 acres each at five locations, including Amravati-Badnera, with a total allocation of ₹1,500 crore. Policy Objectives: Reduce logistics costs by 4-5% from the current 14-15%. Minimize logistics time. Curb carbon emissions with green initiatives. Advanced Technologies: Implementation of Block Chain, Al, Intelligent Logistics Management System, and eco-friendly logistics parks. District Logistics Nodes: Creation of nodes in at least two to three places in each district, connecting major industrial trade and business centers under a hub and spoke model.



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