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FARM JAM: BUDGET BETS ON NUTS, COCOA, FISHERIES TO BOOST AGRI VALUE

India's latest budget places a strong emphasis on high-value agricultural products and supporting industries. This forward-thinking approach not only aims to cut down on imports but also seeks to elevate farmers' earnings and increase export potential. SOURCE- THE ECONOMIC TIMES



BUDGET FY27 TO BOOST FARMERS' INCOME, STRENGTHEN COOPERATIVES: NDDDB CHAIRMAN

New Delhi. The Union Budget 2026-27 offers significant boosts to agriculture and allied sectors. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman announced a comprehensive package aimed at enhancing farmers' incomes and strengthening the cooperative movement. The animal husbandry sector sees a substantial increase in allocation. A key proposal extends tax benefits to cattle feed, reducing the burden on primary cooperatives. SOURCE- WWW.METROINDIA.COM



INDIA'S JANUARY PALM OIL IMPORTS RISE TO FOUR-MONTH HIGH AS BUYERS CUT SOYOIL PURCHASES

India's edible oil imports saw a significant shift in January. Palm oil imports jumped by 51 percent, reaching a four-month peak. This surge was driven by attractive pricing compared to soyoil. Consequently, soyoil imports dropped to a 19-month low. Sunflower oil imports also declined. Overall edible oil imports decreased slightly due to these changes. SOURCE- THE ECONOMIC TIMES



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INDIA'S SEAFOOD EXPORTS TO US SET TO REBOUND AFTER TARIFF CUT TO 18%: SEAI

India's seafood exports to the US are expected to recover after Washington agreed to cut tariffs on Indian goods to 18% from 25%, the Seafood Exporters Association of India said. Exports had declined in recent months due to higher duties and uncertainty over rates. SOURCE-THE ECONOMIC TIMES



DIRECTOR AGRICULTURE ASSESSES GUSTY WIND DAMAGE AT LALMANDI

India-US trade deal has put agriculture in the spotlight. While US officials highlight significant agricultural exports, Indian officials emphasize broader opportunities. Details remain scarce, particularly regarding specific agricultural products and quantities India will import. This lack of clarity fuels speculation about the actual concessions made by India, especially concerning sensitive sectors like dairy. SOURCE-MSN.COM



INDIA-US TRADE DEAL WILL PROTECT FARMERS' INTERESTS & SENSITIVE SECTORS: PIYUSH GOYAL ELABORATES PACT IN LOK SABHA

India and the United States have finalized a trade agreement. This pact aims to boost Indian exports and support Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises. Farmers' interests and sensitive sectors are safeguarded. The deal is expected to strengthen India-US relations and promote initiatives like 'Make in India'. SOURCE- TIMES OF INDIA



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HOW INDIA IS LIKELY TO SHIELD ITS FARMERS IN US TRADE DEAL

India and the US have reached a trade agreement, with the US reducing tariffs on Indian goods in exchange for India halting Russian oil purchases and lowering trade barriers. While details are scarce, India is unlikely to open its agricultural market to US corn and soybeans due to its ban on GM crops and protection of small farmers.SOURCE- TIMES OF INDIA



AMAZON TIES UP WITH IIT ROORKEE TO DEVELOP PACKAGING MATERIAL FROM AGRI WASTE

Amazon India is partnering with IIT Roorkee to create new packaging materials. These will be made from agricultural waste, offering a sustainable alternative to wood pulp and plastic. The project aims to develop lightweight, strong, and compostable mailers. This initiative could also benefit farmers by creating a market for their crop residues.SOURCE- TIMES OF INDIA



FARMERS NOW GETTING LOANS IN 5 MINUTES THROUGH E-KCC: ADITYANATH

Yogi Adityanath said the cooperative sector has also undergone major reforms under the vision of "Sahkar se Samriddhi", with digitisation, e-governance and transparent policies ensuring accountability.SOURCE- TIMES OF INDIA



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GOVT PROPOSES MERGING PRADHAN MANTRI RASHTRIYA KRISHI VIKAS YOJANA & KRISHONNATI YOJANA

The government is proposing to merge two central agriculture schemes, Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana and Krishonnati Yojana, into a single umbrella scheme. This move aims to provide greater flexibility to states in implementing need-based agricultural components. Inter-ministerial consultations are currently underway for the proposed restructuring. SOURCE- THE SUNDAY GUARDIAN



GOVT USING TECH IN BIG WAY IN FARM SECTOR, 8.48 CRORE FARMERS GIVEN DIGITAL IDS SO FAR: SHIVRAJ SINGH CHOUHAN

The Indian government is significantly boosting technology in agriculture. Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan announced that 8.48 crore farmers now have digital IDs across 19 states. This AgriStack initiative aims to create a single source of truth for farmer identity, land, and crops. It facilitates seamless delivery of various government schemes and benefits to farmers. SOURCE- THE PRINT



PULSES PRICES JUMP UP TO 20%; TUR, URAD RETURN TO MSP LEVELS

Pulse prices are climbing after a year of falling. Tur, chana, and urad have seen significant increases. Tur and urad have reached minimum support price levels. Lower crop output in India and other countries, along with currency issues, are pushing prices up. Farmers may see improved sentiment ahead of the next planting season. New chana arrivals could impact prices later. SOURCE- THE ECONOMIC TIMES



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INDIA-US TRADE DEAL TO OPEN \$30 TRILLION MARKET FOR INDIAN EXPORTERS: PIYUSH GOYAL

India-US trade deal: Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal said the India-US interim trade agreement framework will give Indian exporters access to a USD 30 trillion market, benefiting MSMEs, farmers and fishermen and creating lakhs of jobs for women and youth. He stated, "Under the decisive leadership of PM @NarendraModi ji, India has reached a framework for an Interim Agreement with the US. This will open a USD 30 trillion market for Indian exporters, especially MSMEs, farmers and fishermen. SOURCE- TIMES OF INDIA



NO LEVY ON US GOODS, BUT INDIA'S AGRICULTURE SHIELDED: US TRADE REPRESENTATIVE JAMIESON GREER

India and the US are finalizing a trade deal that will see New Delhi eliminate tariffs on American industrial goods, including nuts, wine, and fruits. The US will also reduce tariffs on most Indian products. The agreement addresses technical trade barriers, aiming to open India's market to more US goods. India is also diversifying its energy imports away from Russia. SOURCE- THE ECONOMIC TIMES



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