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# 01 | SUSTAINABILITY

## NITI Aayog Organizes Workshop on 'Green Development Pact for Sustainable Future' Around G20 New Delhi Leaders' Declaration

The 'Green Development Pact (GDP) for a Sustainable Future' workshop was conducted on 09 November 2023 in New Delhi and **was organized by the NITI Aayog with the Council on Energy, Environment, and Water (CEEW)**. The objective of the workshop was to collect a deep understanding of GDP on practical grounds, to be implemented successfully as mentioned in the G20 New Delhi Leaders' Declaration (NDLD). **The GDP is a pathway for gaining climate, disaster, environmental conservation, and energy bounce back ability for the nation to achieve a sustainable future globally.**

### Insights from Workshop

The workshop discussed actionable strategies for GDP along with G20 NDLD

The workshop was witnessed by 4600 members online including central and state government, education institutions, think tanks and industries.

The Ministry of Power announced policies for boosting green development.

Scheme launched under policy initiatives are PLI scheme, CCTS (Carbon Credit Trading Scheme) scheme and Renewable Purchase Obligations scheme.

Measures for nourishing distribution sector like Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme were highlighted.

GDP aims to triple renewable energy by 2030 at global level.

GDP estimates to achieve trillion dollar market by boosting climate finance.

Green development not only focuses on green energy but also affordability and efficiency followed by lifestyle changes to achieve sustainability through viable methods. The workshop consisted of three sessions aiming to sync with NDLD guidelines to address diverse issues. **They highlighted the need for implementing viable, clean, just, and low-end full green energy transition shift, issues of having a seasoned ecosystem, energy security, boosting innovation, and promoting technology reach to overcome low-cost funding and inclusive supply chains.**

The image shows a banner for the 'G20 Think Tank Workshop Series' titled 'Workshop on Green Development Pact for a Sustainable Future'. The banner includes logos for CEEW (Knowledge Partner), NITI Aayog, and G20. Below the banner is a list of speakers under the heading 'MEET THE SPEAKERS'.

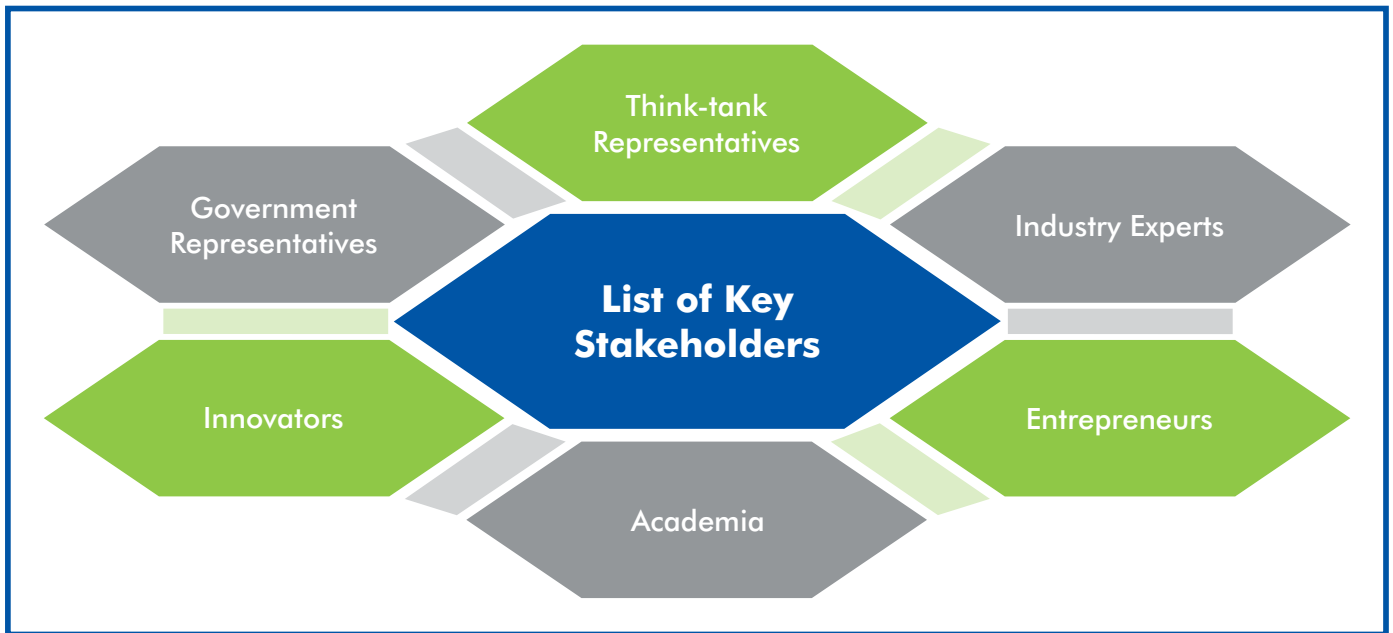
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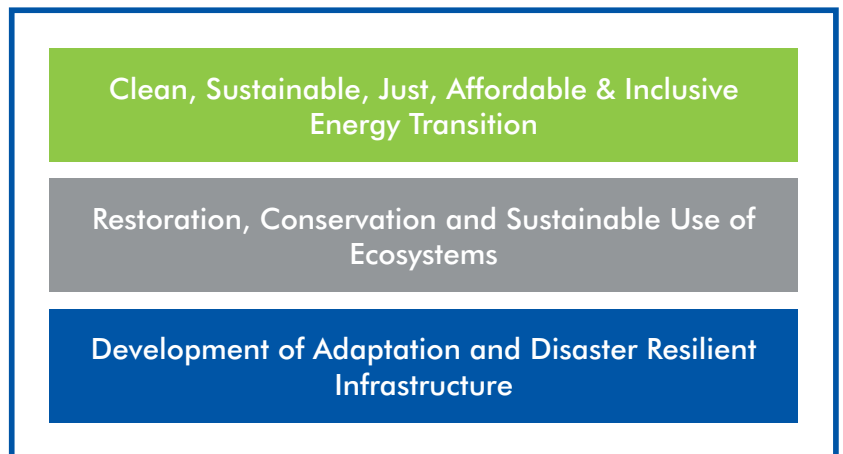
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**Addressed ecosystem-driven restoration, conservation, and sustainability, and issues like LiFE-driven sustainable development, building a circular economy, and ceasing plastic pollution.** Futuristic ideas were exercised encouraging self-initiatives, bio-based circular green economy, and eliminating misunderstanding and miscommunication between individuals/groups to unite them.

### Key Focus Areas



Challenges associated with Adaptation and Disaster Resilient Infrastructure were discussed suggesting the creation of viable infrastructure to handle the impact of climate change risk, pollution, and biosphere loss. The climate predictions, prevalent risk-reducing approaches, and resilience, through the support of funding climate approaches responsible for handling the impact of climate changes and boosting preparations to boost the development, growth, and prosperity of our country.



# 02 | CIRCULAR ECONOMY

AIM and NITI Aayog in Association with Australia Launched 'RISE Accelerator' to support Circular Economy Startups

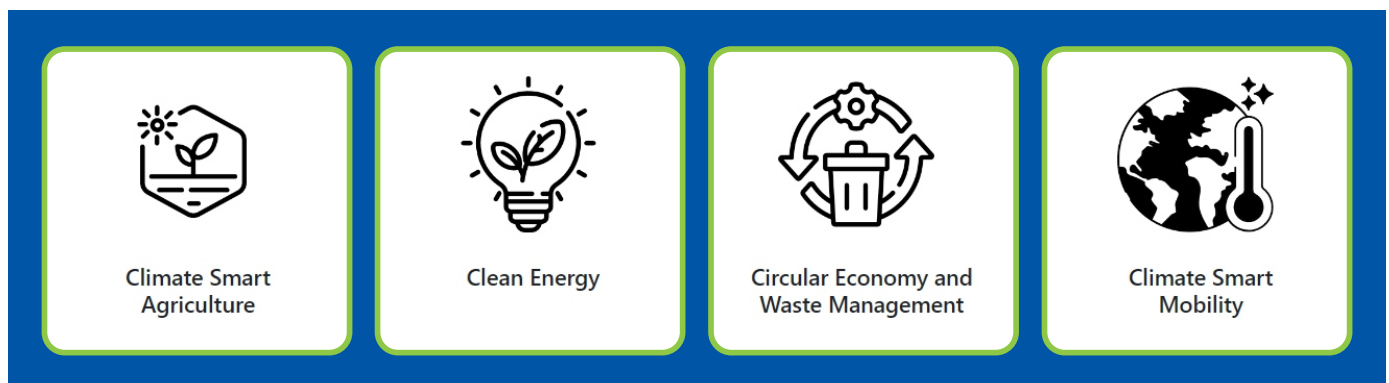
The Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) and NITI Aayog announced a new accelerator program named Rapid Innovation and Startup Expansion (RISE) on 21 November 2023 to assist circular economy startups in Australia and India. **The RISE program is a joint effort of Australia's national science agency, the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO), and India's AIM platform to boost innovation and entrepreneurship.**



Source: <https://aim.gov.in/rise.php>

In the dynamic world of international relations, the alliance of India and Australia witnesses mutual values, geopolitical goals, and financial interests among them improving diplomatic relations. **The RISE accelerator is regarded as an original and innovative long-term bilateral program** committed to overcoming the economic challenges of both countries by promoting a circular economy. **RISE broadly focuses on the environment and climate technology** and is complemented with a startup platform to showcase transformational solution capabilities.

## Theme: Environment and Climate Technology



Source: <https://aim.gov.in/rise.php>

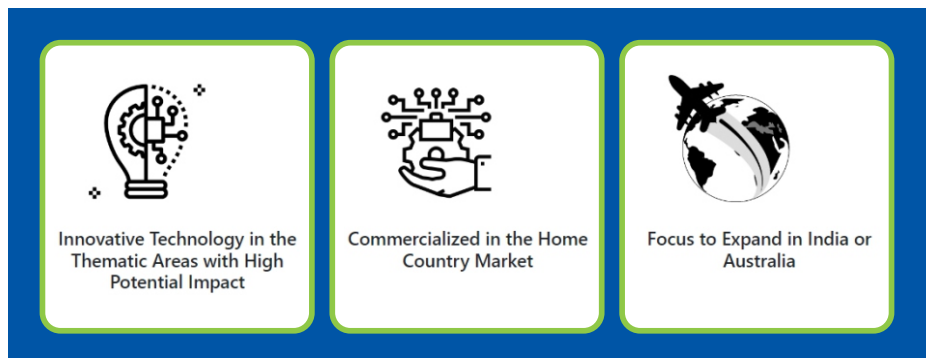
This accelerator program is customized to open new pathways to witness opportunities in India and Australia forming viable space via technology intervention and biosphere unification where Small to Mid-sized enterprises (SMEs) and startups are operating and expecting global expansion. **There will be zero participation fees and the entities might be eligible for a maximum of 40 Lakh rupees.**



Source: <https://aim.gov.in/rise.php>

**The RISE is a nine-month program** in which key partners and innovators of both countries will address challenges at the domestic and international levels to promote economic, social and biosphere impacts via borderland innovations. The initiative is inviting startups and SMEs to create a successful revenue model, resources, and technology to assist India and Australia towards a circular economy shift with appropriate channel partners, skill sets, and customers worldwide.

The AIM & NITI Aayog's RISE program will prove to be a game-changer by boosting technologies and related solutions to fuel up the two economies, including job creation, and waste minimization through designs ensuring products can be reused multiple times to increase the worth.



Source: <https://aim.gov.in/rise.php>

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# 03 | FOOD SECURITY

## India Hosting 'World Food India 2023' to Showcase India as ' Food Basket of the World'

The Ministry of Food Processing Industry (MoFPI) has organized the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the 'World Food India (WFI) 2023' mega food event in New Delhi which ended with outstanding success unveiling the cultural heritage of India and boosting significant investment in the field of food processing.



Source: <https://worldfoodindia.gov.in/abouts#aboutworldid>



Source: <https://worldfoodindia.gov.in/>

The objective of WFI was to unveil India as a 'food basket of the world' a substantial producer and exporter of food considered as the 'sunrise sector' therefore the government has approved various strategies to tap the investment. The WFI focussed on funding and alliance prospects in food processing, food retail, logistics, supply chain, cold chain, technology, equipment, and manufacturing.



The format of the WFI is designed to welcome food processors, investors, policymakers, institutions, and manufacturers from the food industry globally. In today's era where food security is a prime concern the need to highlight the importance of overcoming food wastage and post-harvest losses is paramount. The 'Food Street' launched in the event showcased traditional regional and royal Indian cuisine heritage delivering a distinctive culinary experience for its global guests. The integration of technology with taste will open pathways for a boosting economy. The event acted as a base for stakeholders, farmers, government officials, and industry key members to boost business and networking in the food sector.

## Key Elements of WFI 2023



Source: <https://www.inzbc.org/post/world-food-india-2023-processing-for-prosperity>

## Key Takeaways from WFI 2023

Food sector witnessed foreign direct investment (FDI) of more than INR 50,000 Cr.

The PLI scheme and projects under the Agri-Infra Fund shown positive impacts.

The WFI 2023 welcomed national and international stakeholders assisted by 25 states, 10 Ministries/ Departments of the GoI, 6 commodity boards.

The theme for this event was 'Processing for Prosperity', and the brand mascot was 'MillInd'.

The WFI demonstrated the progress in food sector by hosting 97 corporate, 218 domestic buyers, 14 country pavilions, 715 international buyers, 1208 exhibitors.

The event witnessed signing of MoUs for INR 33,129 Cr between IB Group, Balaji Wafers, Ananda Dairy, Fertis, Bikanerwala, Mondelez, Kellogg's, Amul, ITC and AB InBev.

The event showcased partnerships and knowledge exchange for more than 15,200 B2B and B2G meetings impacting the food industry.

To strengthen SHGs, Seed Capital Assistance was given to more than one lakh SHG members.

High-level packaging and quality manufacturing will ensure higher gains in the market for SHGs.

The event was successfully concluded showcasing the dedication towards achieving a viable, all-inclusive, and robust ecosystem in the food sector in the future that can serve as a platform to attract cooperation, innovation, and alliances across the food sector chain complemented with well-crafted policies.

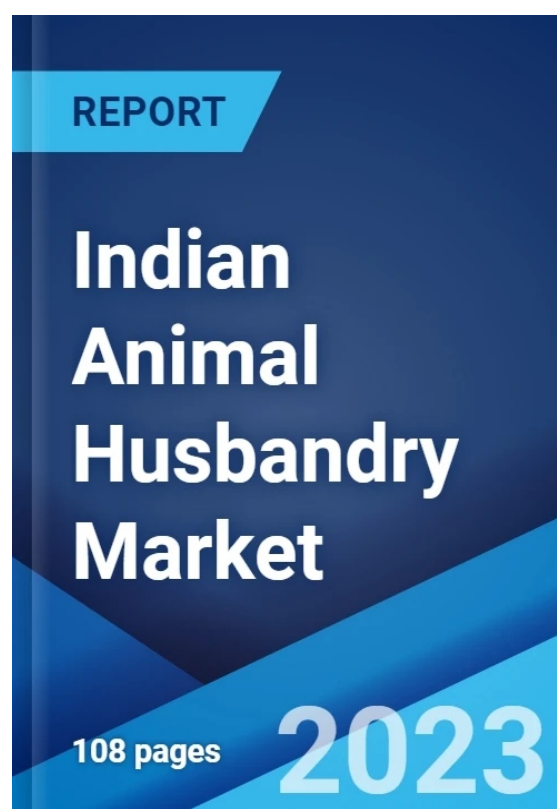
# 04 | ANIMAL HUSBANDRY

## Basic Animal Husbandry Statistics Report 2023, Highlights Rise in Production of Milk, Egg, and Meat in India

The Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying released the Basic Animal Husbandry Statistics 2023 report earlier this year during the National Milk Day event at Guwahati. **It is based on the Animal Integrated Sample Survey that is taken annually.**



The report furnishes information on the Animal Husbandry sector through the 20<sup>th</sup> Livestock Census becoming the most important source for knowing the estimated production for Major Livestock Products (MLPs) like Milk, Egg, Meat, and Wool.



Source: <https://www.researchandmarkets.com/reports/5768972/indian-animal-husbandry-market-industry-trends>

### Distinct Aspects

The Livestock Census highlighting the crucial information related to livestock statistics like production, infrastructure, animal disease, population, import & export and financial contribution.

The Integrated Sample Survey is done in the whole of India spanning the three major seasons Summer (March-June), Winter (November-February) and Rainy (July-October).



The prime highlights of the report state that Milk production climbed by 3.83% in 2022-2023 against 2021-2022. **The Milk production during 2022-2023 was estimated at around 230.58 million tonnes witnessing a growth of 22.81% in the last five years.** Total Egg production witnessed a rise of 33.31% in the last five years against 103.80 billion numbers during 2018-19 and **in the current year 2022-2023, the estimation was around 138.38 billion numbers.** However, the yearly production of Eggs increased by 6.77% in 2022-2023 against last year.

The yearly Meat production in 2022-2023 increased by 5.13% against 2021-2022. **The overall Meat production for 2022-2023 was estimated at around 9.77 million tonnes witnessing a rise of 20.39% in the last five years.** The overall Wool production in 2022-2023 was estimated at around 33.61 million kg marking a negative growth of 16.84% in the last five years against an estimate of 40.42 million kg in 2018-2019. However, **the production climbed by 2.12% in 2022-2023 against 2021-2022.**

### Category-wise Top Performing State List as Per 2023 Report

#### Milk Production

**Highest milk producing States:** Uttar Pradesh (15.72 %) , Rajasthan (14.44 %) , Madhya Pradesh (8.73 %) , Gujarat (7.49 %) , and Andhra Pradesh (6.70 %).

**States with highest annual growth rate (AGR) for Milk production:** Karnataka (8.76%), West Bengal (8.65%) and Uttar Pradesh (6.99%) against last year

#### Egg Production

**Highest Egg producing State:** Andhra Pradesh (20.13%), Tamil Nadu (15.58%), Telangana (12.77 %) , West Bengal (9.94%) and Karnataka (6.51 %).

**States with highest AGR for Egg production:** West Bengal (20.10%), Sikkim (18.93%) and Uttar Pradesh (12.80%).

#### Meat Production

**Highest Meat producing State:** Uttar Pradesh (12.20%), West Bengal (11.93%), Maharashtra (11.50%), Andhra Pradesh (11.20%) and Telangana (11.06%).

**States with highest AGR for Meat production:** Sikkim (63.08%), Meghalaya (38.34%) and Goa (22.98%).

#### Wool Production

**Highest Wool producing State:** Rajasthan (47.98%), Jammu & Kashmir (22.55%), Gujarat (6.01%), Maharashtra (4.73%) and Himachal Pradesh (4.27%).

**States with highest AGR for Wool production:** Arunachal Pradesh (35.75%), Rajasthan (6.06%) and Jharkhand (2.36%).

The stakeholders use the Data and information present in the annual publication for framing utility-based policies, strategies, planning, and boosting the academia and research in the domain. It serves as a fortune wheel for the overall development of the Livestock sector and helps in boosting the nation's economy, enabling income sources for the rural population, and food security.

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# 05 | CULTURE & HERITAGE

## Kozhikode and Gwalior are Included in UNESCO's Creative Cities Network

On the occasion of World Cities Day on 31 October 2023, The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) announced the incorporation of two new Indian cities into their **Creative Cities Network (UCCN)** along with other 53 cities globally. **They are Kozhikode in Kerala and Gwalior in Madhya Pradesh as the 'City of Literature' and the 'City of Music' respectively.** The objective of UCCN is to nominate cities witnessing commitment towards creativity and culture as per their expansion plan and showcase ingenious implementation in urban planning following a human-centered approach.



Source: <https://www.aninews.in/news/national/general-news/indias-cultural-vibrancy-shines-brighter-pm-modi-as-gwalior-kozhikode-join-unesco-creative-cities-network-20231101143827/>

This has highlighted the glory of the Indian culture and its deep-rooted heritage and values shining globally in the form of the rich legacy of Kozhikode literature and the musical heritage of Gwalior for its enrichment and long-term preservation.

### Details of Creative Cities Network by UNESCO

As per updated UCCN list the latest count stands at 350 cities spanning more than hundred nations.

UCCN focuses on seven innovative domains Literature, Design, Media Arts and Music, Film, Crafts and Folk Art, Gastronomy and Craft.

Other Indian cities in the UCCN are Jaipur: Crafts and Folk Arts (2015), Varanasi: Creative City of Music (2015), Chennai: Creative City of Music (2017), Mumbai: Film (2019), Hyderabad: Gastronomy (2019), and Srinagar: Crafts and Folk Art (2021).

The newly announced cities are invited to take part in the **UCCN 2024 Annual Conference in Portugal and Braga between 01 July to 05 July 2024** under the theme 'Bringing Youth to the Table for the next decade'.

### Highlights from Indian Cities in UCCN

Kozhikode became the first Indian city to have this title; the city has hosted diverse literature programs in the past complemented by the Kerala Literature Festival and serving as a platform for the exchange of intellect and discussions. The city is a proud home to a collection of more than 500 libraries.

Gwalior became the second Indian city to get this title after Varanasi (2015) and hosts the annual music festival Tansen Sangeet Samaroh, as the city is considered the birthplace of great musician Tansen.

The worldwide acknowledgment by the UCCN showcases the dedication of the people of India who put their best efforts to flourish and share their expertise in every corner of the world, for promoting and preserving various traditions and cultures of India through diverse platforms.



The banner features logos for UN-Habitat, the Republic of Turkey's Ministry of Environment, Urbanization and Climate Change, the Ministry of Urbanization and Infrastructure, LMT, and the Zero Waste Foundation. The text on the banner includes 'World Cities Day October 31, 2023 BETTER CITY, BETTER LIFE Financing sustainable urban future for all' and 'HIGH-LEVEL OPENING CEREMONY 31 October 2023'. The background is a light blue sky with a white city skyline and various icons representing urban life, such as a bridge, a bus, a person on a bicycle, a person pushing a stroller, a person walking, a person using a wheelchair, a person holding a bag, and a person using a bicycle.

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