

DAILY NEWS MONITOR: 7 SEPTEMBER 2021

1. Greater Noida Authority invites bids for ready to move shops, kiosks

Source: The Economic Times ([Link](#))

A scheme was launched 6 September for the e-auction of office spaces, shops and commercial kiosks in Greater Noida, officials said. The last date of application submission is October 11, the Greater Noida Authority said. These commercial spaces, including 42 shops and 31 kiosks, are ready to move and possession for them will be handed over within 60 days of allotment, Greater Noida Authority's Additional CEO Deep Chandra said. "The scheme has been initiated today (September 6). Application forms can be downloaded from the portal of the Greater Noida Authority as well as the State Bank of India NSE -1.02 % (SBI) till October 4," the officer said in a statement.

2. Online retail platform Dukaan raises \$11 mn in pre-series A round

Source: Business Standard ([Link](#))

Dukaan, the online retail platform that allows anyone to set up an online store and sell their products, on 6 September announced it has secured \$11 million in a pre-series A round of funding, valuing the firm at \$71 million. The round was led by 640 Oxford Ventures, with participation from existing investors Snow Leopard Ventures, Lightspeed Partners, and Matrix Partners India. Venture Catalyst and new venture firms HOF Capital, Old Well Ventures, LetsVenture, 9Unicorns and a number of high-profile executives also participated in the funding round, which included Oyo's Ritesh Agarwal, Carl Pei, Co-founder and the CEO of Nothing.

3. Centre targets to create a database of 8 crore farmers in next four months

Source: Financial Express ([Link](#))

The Centre targets to create a database of 8 crore farmers in next four months after compiling details of as many as 5.5 crore farmers benefitted under different central schemes like PM-Kisan, soil health card and PM Fasal Bima Yojana. Addressing chief ministers and agriculture ministers of as many as 15 states, union agriculture minister Narendra Singh Tomar emphasised that the central and state governments must work together for agriculture to give a boost to the economy. He urged states to allow linkage of Centre's database with land record, which would help orient schemes more effectively.

4. Human Biosciences plans to launch 2 wound care products in India

Source: Hindustan Times ([Link](#))

It added that the company "plans to launch two of its wound care management products, 'Medifil' and 'Skin Temp', in India soon". The two products are named 'Medifil' and 'Skin Temp', the company said in a statement. It added that the company "plans to launch two of its wound care management products, 'Medifil' and 'Skin Temp', in India soon". These products will be introduced with exclusive marketing and distribution channels, the statement said. Some of its wound care products are already available in India that are manufactured at the company's unit in Ahmedabad, Gujarat, HBS said. "Our mission at HBS is to provide customers with healthcare products of high quality at an affordable price.

5. DCGI approves Hetero's Tocilizumab for emergency use against Covid-19

Source: The Indian Express ([Link](#))

The Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI) has approved emergency use of drug firm Hetero's Tocilizumab for treatment of hospitalised adults suffering from Covid-19, said Hetero in a statement. Hetero's statement added that medical practitioners would be able to use the drug for treating Covid-19 in adults who receive systemic corticosteroids, and even those who require supplemental oxygen, non-invasive or invasive mechanical ventilation, or extracorporeal membrane oxygenation. B Partha Saradhi Reddy, Hetero Group Chairman said, "This approval is extremely crucial for supply security in India considering a global shortage of Tocilizumab. We will be working closely with the government to ensure equitable distribution."

6. Commercial flights between Kuwait and India to resume from today: Check SOPs

Source: Money Control ([Link](#))

Direct commercial flights between Kuwait and India will resume from 7 September, the nation's civil aviation authority said, Hindustan Times reported. Last month, the decision to resume flights was announced but without any time frame. On April 24, during the second wave of coronavirus pandemic in India, Kuwait had suspended all direct international flights from India. The United Arab Emirates (UAE) announced that it will resume commercial international flights with India and has eased travel restrictions on transit passengers, along with other nations in Southeast Asia and Egypt. Apart from India, other nations from where the international flights will start operations include Bangladesh, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, and Nepal.