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Punjab launches new Data Policy

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What is PSDP?

- As per the PSDP, citizens will get efficient access to public services like birth certificate, death certificate and driving licence.
- The state government will streamline the data regarding public services so that it can be used in a proper form for public delivery.
- The PSDP, approved by the cabinet in its meeting under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Amarinder Singh, would be instrumental in leveraging data and technology to optimise service delivery and citizens'' access.
- The data would be utilised for evidence-based policy making and programme decision making.

What are the key features of Punjab state data policy?

- The policy will create a unified and interoperability data infrastructure for the state of Punjab.
- It will recognise the potential utility and importance of data generated by government organisations to, departments and institutions in the state.
- The policy will act as a guiding principle for all departments to collect, manage, process and use data for effective, efficient, transparent and accessible Service Delivery to the citizens of the state.
- It will facilitate easy access and sharing of government data. This will support the sustainable and inclusive governance and effective planning.
- The policy will also help to collect data that will help in implementing and monitoring the developmental programs, scientific research and managing and mitigating disasters.

For Further Reading

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