

U.P wins best tableau award among states/UTs

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Uttar Pradesh's tableau, based on the theme 'One District One Product and Kashi Vishwanath Dham', was adjudged the best among 12 States and Union Territories (UT) at this year's Republic Day parade, while the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Civil Aviation were declared joint winners among the Ministries and departments.

Key Highlights

- The marching contingent of the Navy was adjudged the best among the Services, while the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) was named the best among the Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) and auxiliary forces.
- In addition, for the first time, the general public was invited to vote for the best marching contingents and best tableaux in the popular choice category through the MyGov platform. The online poll was conducted between January 25 and 31, according to the Defence Ministry.
- The second place went to Karnataka for its tableau based on 'Cradle of Traditional Handicrafts'. The third position went to Meghalaya for its tableau on 'Meghalaya's 50 years of Statehood and its tribute to women-led cooperative societies & SHGs', the Ministry said.
- The theme of the tableau of the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Skill

Development & Entrepreneurship was 'National Education Policy', while that of the Ministry of Civil Aviation was based on 'Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik'. Nine tableaux of the Central Ministries/departments participated in the parade.

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