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Sewerage, Solid Waste Management, Drainage and Irrigation

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- Plan for policy modernization in entire NCR.

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- Heritage and Tourism sites to be identified in the land use plan for the States.
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