

# Def packaging to be included under policy

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Defence packaging, due to its importance in the defence sector, will also be included under the policy

The Centre recently announced a policy under which eight greenfield defence testing infrastructure facilities will be set up around the country, with two each along both defence corridors in Tamil Nadu and UP respectively. The state will be providing land and financial assistance for setting up these projects, for which provisions are also being made in the defence and aeronautical policy.

Another amendment will allow the government to provide land to units involved in manufacturing of certain defence items and arms and ammunitions for which they have already obtained licences and want to start manufacturing.

A decision was also taken to extend the duration of the UP Handloom, Powerloom, Silk,

Textile and Garments Policy 2017 by three months. The extension will be applicable from July 13, 2022.

Under the policy, 32 units, out of 85 applicants, have been issued letters of comfort and financial assistance. To issue financial assistance to the remaining units, the department required the duration of the policy to be extended by three months.

The Cabinet also approved a proposal to elevate the Food Craft Institute in Aligarh to a State Institute of Hotel Management. Under this decision, 71 posts for the institute, as per the National Council of Hotel Management and Catering Technology standards, have been approved.

The Cabinet also approved a proposal to transfer 7,500 sq m of land in Hazratpur village, Rampur, from the urban development department to the home department for the construction of residential and non-residential buildings for a fire station.