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Replaced the Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Rules, 2021 based on public feedback



Built on a premise of trust, self-certification and non-intrusive monitoring



To promote industry while **balancing** safety and security



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A **Digital Sky Platform** for online registration of all drones including acquiring various approvals



Set up **Unmanned Aircraft Systems Promotion Council** to facilitate a business-friendly regulatory regime



Regulation of imported drones by Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT)



Development of **drone corridors** for cargo deliveries



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Provide a **platform for innovations**, economic growth and employment opportunities



Will **boost commercial use** and benefits to sectors like agriculture, surveillance, emergency response, defence, geo-spatial mapping, etc.



Help India become a **global drone hub by 2030**



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Abolished several approvals like the unique authorisation number, the unique prototype identification number, etc.



Reduced number of forms from 25 to 5



Coverage **increased** from 300 kg to 500 kg to include heavy payload-carrying drones and drone taxis



Simplified - no security clearance before any registration or licence issuance



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Fees reduced to nominal for permissions



Maximum **penalty reduced** to ₹1 lakh



Reduced Yellow zone from 45 km to 12 km from the airport perimeter



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Easy process for transfer and deregistration of drones



No pilot licence for operating nano drones and micro drones for non-commercial use



No requirement of type certificate, unique identification number, prior permission & remote pilot licence for R&D entities