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CM transferred the amount of the 'Unemployment Allowance Scheme'

Why in News?

On 31 May 2023, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel transferred an amount of Rs 32 crore 35 lakh 25 thousand to the account of 1,05,395 beneficiaries of the 'Unemployment Allowance Scheme' in a program organized at his residence office.

Key Points:

- Out of these, 66,185 beneficiaries, who were released the first instalment in the month of April, were released an amount of Rs 16 crore 54 lakh 62 thousand 500 as the second instalment today.
- An amount of Rs 12.75 crore was released as an instalment of unemployment allowance for both the months of April and May to 24,015 beneficiaries who had applied till 30 April 2023.
- Similarly an amount of Rs 3 crore 79 lakh 87 thousand 500 was released as the first instalment to 15,195 beneficiaries who had applied in May 2023.
- A total amount of Rs 48 crore 89 lakh 87 thousand 500 has been released as the first and second instalments to the beneficiaries of the unemployment allowance scheme.
- It is known that 39 percent of those receiving unemployment allowance are women, 61 percent are men, 83 percent are rural and 17 percent are urban beneficiaries.
- It is worth mentioning that the Chief Minister has started this scheme to give allowance to the unemployed candidates of Chhattisgarh, which has come into effect from 1 April 2023. Under this scheme, it is mandatory for the candidate to pass at least the 12th examination and must have registered for the last 2 years in the employment office. An income certificate is required.
- Under this scheme, the educated youth eligible for unemployment allowance will be given unemployment allowance for one year first. If a particular person is not able to get gainful employment in the said period of one year, then the period of unemployment allowance can be extended for one more year. In any case, this period shall not exceed two years.
- Eligibility criteria in the scheme-
 - Must be a native of Chhattisgarh
 - Age must be 18 - 35 years as of 1st April

- Should have passed 12th exam
- Has 2-year-old employment registration on April 1
- Annual income should not exceed Rs. 2,50,000/-
- Conditions of ineligibility in the scheme-
 - Only one member from a family
 - Families of former & current ministers, assembly members, mayors, urban bodies, district panchayat presidents
 - Family members of government employees (except Class IV or Group-D employees)
 - Families of pensioners with a monthly pension of Rs 10,000 or more
 - Income tax payer family
 - Families of professionals like engineers, doctors, lawyers, chartered accountants etc.



Chhattisgarh created a world record in Resolution for Environmental protection

Why In News?

Under the Mission Life program organized by the Chhattisgarh Environment Protection Board on 1 June

Note:

2023, 12 lakh 38 thousand 116 people of the state have set a new world record by taking a pledge to protect the environment.

Key Points:

- This was an innovative initiative of Chhattisgarh Environment Protection Board, EIACP to bring awareness through public participation in the field of environmental protection, in which the goal was to take a pledge to make changes in their daily lives for environmental protection in a single day.
- Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel appealed to the people of the state to participate in this campaign of the Environment Protection Board, saying that this is not only an oath but a public campaign, which will set a record in Nava Chhattisgarh.
- The Chief Minister's appeal had an impact and people from all walks of life in the state participated enthusiastically in the campaign of the Chhattisgarh Environment Protection Board where in one day more than 12 lakh 38 thousand 116 people set a world record by taking an oath to protect the environment.
- In Raipur district, the world record of a maximum number of oaths in a day was broken and with 1 lakh 75 thousand 209 oaths, the district registered its name in the Limca Book of Records.
- Also, by administering oaths to more than 12 lakh 38 thousand 116 people in the entire state, the district registered its name in the India Star Book of Records and World Record Book.



CM launches Chat Bot for sale of Ripa products

Why In News?

On June 1, 2023, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel launched a chatbot for ordering various types of products under the Mahatma Gandhi Rural Industrial Park (RIPA) in Raigarh.


Key Points:

- The chatbot has been created by Atmik Bharat - vertex suit and activated by District Administration Raigarh through Fasal Bazar.
- Through the chatbot, the entrepreneurs of Rural Industrial Park will be able to sell their products directly to the customers through WhatsApp.
- It is known that under the Chhattisgarh government's ambitious scheme 'Mahatma Gandhi Rural Industrial Park (RIPA)', different types of products are being manufactured in 14 Ripa Gram Panchayats.
- These include jute bags, Kosa cloth, terracotta, Jawfool rice, Ragi products, bamboo crafts, spices, ready-to-eat, cow dung paint, Sambalpuri sarees and clothes, Dhokra art, badi papad, artificial jewellery, etc.
- Chatbot is very easy to use, it works just like WhatsApp. With the help of this bot, orders are placed and payments can also be made.
- It is very beneficial and easy for the rural entrepreneur to sell the product. In addition, the goods produced in Ripa can be sold to customers through online markets such as Amazon, Flipkart.



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The Mahatma Gandhi Rural Industrial Park Scheme (RIPA CG) in Chhattisgarh, India, launched by Chief Minister Shri Bhupesh Baghel on October 2, 2022 aims to develop 300 rural industrial parks to boost income and empower rural families. It creates employment opportunities, supports women's entrepreneurship, and fosters self-reliant villages.

Description

RIPA Raigarh Bot
Business Name

- It is known that on the special initiative of Chief Minister Mr. Bhupesh Baghel, a three-day grand National Ramayana Festival was organized in Raigad from 1 June to 3 June on the lines of the National Tribal Dance Festival.



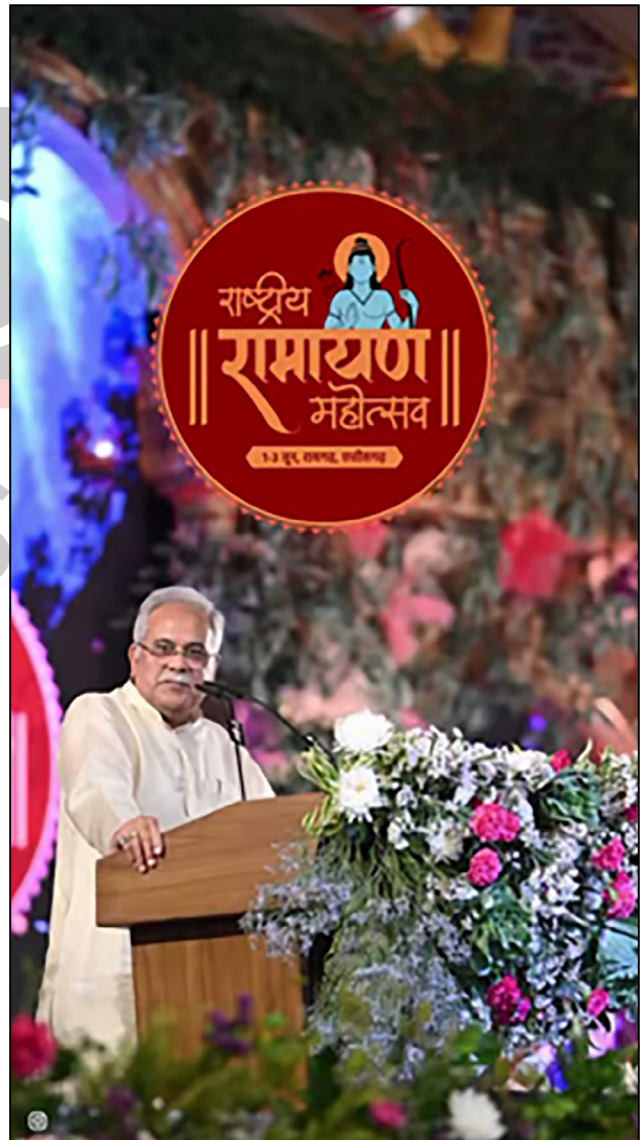
Culture Department, Chhattisgarh got the Golden Book of World Record

Why in News?

On 3 June 2023, the Culture Department of Chhattisgarh was given the Golden Book of World Records for presenting Aranya Kand continuously for 765 minutes at the National Ramayana Festival held in Raigarh.

Key Points:

- In the National Ramayana Festival organized by the Department of Culture, 375 artists, 17 groups from 13 states and 2 international countries (Cambodia and Indonesia) created this world record by presenting 765 minutes of continuous presentation in different languages on Aranya Kand.
- Most stage artists performing awards were given to the culture department along with the district administration.
- Raigad district administration has also been awarded for the successful organization of Ramayana Mahotsav, where more than 10,000 people collectively recited the Hanuman Chalisa.
- The first prize of Rs 5 lakh was given to the Karnataka team, the second prize of Rs 3 lakh to the Assam team and the third prize of Rs 2 lakh to the Jharkhand team.



Note:



CM transfers Rs 21.31 crore online to Beneficiaries of Godhan Nyay Yojana

Why in News?

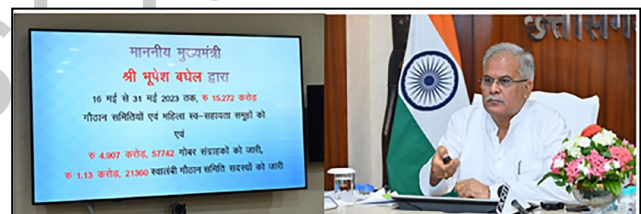
On 5 June 2023, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel transferred an amount of Rs 21.31 crore online to the accounts of beneficiaries in a program organized for the online transfer of funds to the beneficiaries of Godhan Nyay Yojana at his residence office.

Key Points:

- This amount includes Rs 4.91 crore for rural cattle rearers, Rs 8.98 crore for Gauthan Samitis, Rs 6.29 crore for self-help groups, Rs 1.13 crore for honorariums of chairpersons and members of Gauthan Samitis for cow dung purchased from cow sheds from May 16 to May 31.
- It is worth mentioning that Rs 538.89 crore has been paid to cow dung sellers, Gauthan Samitis and women self-help groups including this amount. Out of this, Rs 237.28 crore has been paid to cow dung sellers and Rs 223.60 crore to self-help groups and Gauthan Samitis since the inception of the scheme.
- The Chief Minister released an amount of Rs 1.13 crore of honorarium to a total of 21 thousand 360 members of the Swavalambi Gauthan Samiti, including the chairpersons & members of the committee. An honorarium of Rs 750 is being given to the chairman of the Swavalambi Gauthan Samiti and Rs 500 to the non-official members.
- The Chief Minister said in the program that approval has been given for the construction of 10 thousand

409 Gaushalas in the state, out of which 98 percent construction of 10 thousand 235 Gaushalas has been completed.

- There are 4,584 Gauthans who have purchased 30 quintals or more of cow dung in the last 15 days. There has been a 22 per cent increase in the number of Gauthans buying cow dung in such a large quantity compared to the previous fortnight. Similarly, there has been an increase of 46 per cent in cow dung procurement during the same period this year as compared to May 16 to 31, 2022 last year.
- 5 thousand 911 Gauthans of the state have become self-sufficient. So far, a total of Rs 53.80 crore has been paid by these Gauthans for the purchase of cow dung. Today, out of the amount of Rs 4.91 crore released in lieu of cow dung purchase, Rs 3.05 crore has been paid by self-reliant Gauthans and Rs 1.86 crore has been paid by the department.
- The Chief Minister said that 1 lakh 89 thousand 614 members of 15 thousand 905 self-help groups have received income of Rs 144.22 crore so far from various livelihood-related activities going on in Gauthans.
- Mr. Baghel said that one of the objectives of Godhan Nyay Yojana is also to protect and promote the environment. The state government is continuously working to improve its environment through schemes like Suraji Village Scheme, Chief Minister Tree Plantation Promotion Scheme, Vriksha Sampada Yojana, Krishna Kunj Yojana, River Bank Plantation, and Fruit Plant Plantation.



CM flags off the 'Doctor Tumcho Duar' program for inaccessible villages

Why in News?

On 6 June 2023, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel flagged off the new initiative of the district administration 'Doctor Tumcho Duar' at a program organized at village Bedma of Keskal Development Block.

Note:

Key Points:

- Under this pilot project, medical facilities will be made available through telemedicine in the inaccessible villages of Baderajpur and Pharasgaon development blocks of the district. For this, a call centre will be set up and 24-hour staff will be deployed in the call centre.
- As soon as the call is received from the call centre, the team made up of doctors, ANMs and other staff will be informed. The doctor will discuss with the sick person and their family members and consult through teleconferencing and for serious patients who need immediate treatment, the doctor & his team will reach home with the vehicle and treat the patient. If necessary, they will be brought to the hospital and treated.
- It is known that the Haat Bazaar Clinic Scheme is already being successfully operated for treatment in remote areas in the district. In such a situation, efforts are being made by 'Doctor Tumcho Duar' to provide accessible health facilities even in inaccessible villages of the district and to provide medical facilities to more and more people through telemedicine.
- If this scheme is successful, the scheme will be extended to other development blocks as well. This scheme is based on the government's initiative of equal justice, equal facilities for all.



State Women Entrepreneurship Policy 2023-28

Why in News?

According to the information given by the Chhattisgarh Public Relations Department on 6 June 2023, the state

government has implemented the State Women Entrepreneurship Policy, 2023-28 to give a new identity to the efficiency of women and to connect them with the enterprise. Under this policy, a provision has been made to provide financial assistance (loans) to women to set up industries.

Key Points:

- This policy will increase the female workforce as well as increase their participation in industry & trade through which the number of startups started by women will also increase rapidly.
- Under the State Women Entrepreneurship Policy 2023-28, provision has been made for loans up to Rs 50 lakh for manufacturing enterprise projects for women entrepreneurs, loans up to Rs 25 lakh for service enterprise projects and loans up to Rs 10 lakh for business enterprise projects.
- Under the policy, economic investment incentives will be provided to the new, expansion, micro, small and medium manufacturing and service enterprises established by women entrepreneurs in the state.
- Fixed capital investment grants up to 30-55 percent of the fixed capital investment made in the enterprise, term loans received for enterprises and interest subsidy of 45 to 70 percent on working capital (equivalent to a maximum of three months requirement) provided in the project report and a maximum amount of Rs 15 to 60 lakh will be given.
- Margin money grants up to 50 per cent for setting up of new enterprises, up to a maximum of Rs 75 lakh, net state goods and services tax (net SGST) reimbursement for 6 to 16 years from the date of commencement of commercial production, electricity duty, stamp duty, transport grant, mandi fee will be exempted.



Note:

- Women Self-Help Groups will be given an additional grant of 5% in grants as an additional economic investment incentive and an additional time period of 1 year in case of exemption.
- The startup package announced under the Industrial Policy 2019-24 for start-up enterprises set up by women has a provision of a 5 percent additional grant and a one-year additional exemption in cases of exemption.

Hi-tech monitoring of the movement of Elephants in Chhattisgarh

Why in News?

According to the information given by the Chhattisgarh Public Relations Department on 7 June 2023, Hi-tech monitoring of the movement of elephants in the forests of Chhattisgarh has been started. To ensure this, the AI-based 'Chhattisgarh Elephant Tracking and Alert App' has been developed.

Key Points:

- The app has been jointly developed by the Forest Management Information System (FMIS) and the Wildlife Wing to alert villagers in elephant-affected areas of Chhattisgarh.
- This app works on Artificial Intelligence (AI) based on inputs received from the Elephant Trackers (Hathi Mitra Dal). The purpose of this app is to send information about the presence of elephants by sending mobile calls, SMS, and WhatsApp alerts to every person in the affected village in addition to the 'Munaadi' announced by the elephant trackers.
- It is known that this app is being used in Udanti Sitanadi Tiger Reserve for the last 3 months. The alert of the real-time movement of elephants in the area of 10 km has been successfully sent on the mobiles of the villagers.
- Mobile numbers and GPS locations of the villagers are registered in this app. When the elephant movements are inputted on the app by the elephant trackers, alerts are automatically sent to the mobiles of the villagers by the app.
- Hathi Mitra Dal members use the ODK app (open source) to feed the location, herd names, behaviour and other characteristics of elephants. This ODK app

works in both online mode (real-time) and offline mode (near-real time when trackers are out of mobile network area).

- The alert and tracking app can track the route of elephant presence using time period filters, filter the herd of elephants and track different routes (e.g. Sikasar Dal, Chanda Dal etc.).
- This app can be used not only to send alerts about the presence of elephants but also other carnivorous, omnivorous animals (leopard, sloth bear), and wild buffaloes, for research, housing development, planning & tracking as per requirement.



Industries Minister unveiled the statue of Chendru Mandavi 'The Tiger Boy'

Why in News?

On 8 June 2023, Chhattisgarh Industries Minister Kawasi Lakhma unveiled the statue of Chendru Mandavi, popularly known as the 'Tiger Boy' of Narayanpur district of the state, at New Bus Stand Chowk and Gram Panchayat Garhbengal of District Headquarters Narayanpur.

Key Points:

- Chendru Mandavi, popularly known as 'Tiger Boy', was born in the village Garhbengal in the Narayanpur district. Due to his friendship with the tiger (Tembu), he was famous as the 'Tiger Boy'.
- Swedish film Arne Saxharf's film 'The Jungle Saga', based on the friendship of Chendru and Tiger, won the Oscar Award in 1997. With this film, the fame of Chendru Mandavi spread all over the world.

Note:

- It is known that Chendru also stayed in Sweden for a year. Towards the end of his life, he stayed in his village, where he died on 18 September 2013 at the age of 78.
- On this occasion, the Industries Minister also inspected the park at Garhbengal, where facilities have been provided for children to play.



Chhattisgarh got Medal in First Khelo India Tribal Games National Competition

Why in News?

According to the information given by the Chhattisgarh Public Relations Department on 11 June 2023, players from Chhattisgarh have won medals in various events in the first Khelo India Tribal Games National Competition in Bhubaneswar, Odisha.

Key Points:

- Players of Residential Archery Academy Bilaspur and Athletic Academy have won medals in the competition.
- Kuber Singh of Residential Archery Academy Bilaspur has got a silver medal in 30 meters, and he has been in second position in the overall championship. Similarly, Kumari Tarnika Teta, a player of Residential Athletic Academy Bilaspur has won silver medal in 100-meter women's event.
- Chhattisgarh's team entered the final by defeating Tripura 4-0 in the women's football semi-finals held in the competition. The final match will be played between Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand.

- In this competition, Kiran Pisda, a player of Girls Football Academy, Raipur, scored three goals while Pinky Kashyap of Bastar scored one goal.
- It is worth mentioning that 5000 athletes from 18 states are participating in this competition being organized in Bhubaneswar.

'Jal Mitan-Yuva Udyami (Young Entrepreneur)' Entrepreneurship Development Program

Why in News?

On June 12, 2023, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel launched the first-of-its-kind and unique program 'Jal Mitan-Yuva Udyami' entrepreneurship skill development project for the operation & sustainable maintenance of drinking water schemes in rural areas of Chhattisgarh at a program organized at the Chief Minister's residence.

Key Points:

- Under this, Jal Jeevan Mission and UNICEF were started for the availability of efficient water harvesting in rural areas. Under this programme, there is a target to provide skill development training to 58 thousand rural youth in the state.
- Under this programme, 21-day residential training is being given to the rural youth in water quality testing services, tap-pipe fitting repairing, Aro Fitting-Repairing, electrical fitting-repairing, solar panel fitting-repairing, pump operator service etc.
- Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel & Public Health Engineering Minister Guru Rudra Kumar provided free tool kits to 90 Jal Mitan and young entrepreneurs who received training as a symbol in the programme.
- Safety shoes, helmets and equipment etc. have been given to the youth in a tool kit worth Rs 15,000. 540 youths and 90 young entrepreneurs of the state have been given high level residential training for 21 days.
- Addressing the program, the Chief Minister said that Chhattisgarh is the first state in the country, where a large number of rural youth are being trained for operation & maintenance of drinking water schemes under the Jal Jeevan Mission and they have been trained as Jal Mitan, young entrepreneurs and preparations are being made for the maintenance & operation of schemes in the form of Jal Didi.

Note:

- The Chief Minister said that under the 'Jal Jeevan Mission', a target has been set to provide tap water connections to 50 lakh households in rural areas of Chhattisgarh, under which tap connections have been given to 24 lakh households so far.
- Secretary, Public Health Engineering Department, Dr. S. Bharathidasan said that for the maintenance and operation of many tap-water schemes in the state, under the 'Jal Jeevan Mission', with the help of UNICEF, a target has been set to train 58,000 youths as Jal Mitan in the entire state. Out of which 11,000 youths have been trained on the recommendation of Gram Panchayats.
- UNICEF's Water & Sanitation Hygiene Specialist Ms. Shweta Patnaik said that Chhattisgarh is the first state in the country to start 'Jal Mitan' programme. This program has been started to ensure permanent maintenance of water supply schemes at the panchayat level in Chhattisgarh. The program is based on the concept of 'One Stop Solution' for maintenance of drinking water structures through multi-skilling and entrepreneurship models.



First Khelo India Tribal Sports National Competition: Chhattisgarh Football Women's Team won Gold

Why in News?

On June 12, 2023, in the first Khelo India Tribal Games National Championship in Bhubaneswar, Odisha, in the final match played between the women's football team of Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand, the team of Chhattisgarh won the gold medal by defeating Jharkhand 2-0 in the tiebreaker. .

Key Points:

- In the final match, both the teams showed their full strength in the field, but both the teams could not score any goals in the stipulated time and the result of the match came out of the tiebreaker. In the tiebreaker, both the teams were given a chance to make five strokes each.
- In the match, Kiran Pisda, a practicing player at Girls Football Academy, Raipur, did not give a single chance to the opposing team to score in the tiebreaker. On the other hand, in the tiebreaker from the Chhattisgarh team, Kiran Pisda himself and Muskan of Bastar won the gold medal by scoring 1 goal each.
- Earlier on 11 June, Chhattisgarh's women's football team entered the final by defeating Tripura 4-0 in the women's football semi-final with a strong performance. In the semi-finals, Kiran Pisda of Girls Football Academy Raipur scored three goals, while Pinky Kashyap of Bastar scored one goal.
- It is worth mentioning that Chhattisgarh's team continues to perform brilliantly in the Khelo India Tribal Games National Competition. In the competition, Kuber Singh of Residential Archery Academy, Bilaspur got the silver medal in 30 meters and stood second in the overall championship. Similarly, Kumari Tarnika Teta, a player of Residential Athletic Academy, Bilaspur, won a silver medal in the 100-meter women's event.
- It is worth mentioning that 5000 athletes from 18 states are participating in this competition organized in Bhubaneswar.

Note:



Home Minister inaugurated Chhattisgarh State Kesh Shilpi Welfare Board office

Why in News?

On June 12, 2023, Chhattisgarh Home Minister Tamradhwaj Sahu inaugurated the 'Chhattisgarh State Kesh Shilpi Welfare Board' office in Gautam Nagar of capital Raipur.

Key Points:

- It is worth mentioning that Kesh Shilpi is prevalent as a traditional business. Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel has decided to ensure the overall development of the cadre involved in this business, to prepare a welfare scheme, to develop innovative techniques in Kesh Shilpi and to establish coordination between the government and the cadre.
- Chhattisgarh State Kesh Shilpi Welfare Board has been constituted under the Social Welfare Department to prepare socio-economic policy for the benefit of the cadre related to Kesh Shilpi.
- The office of Chhattisgarh State Kesh Shilpi Welfare Board is located at Gulab Nagar 3rd Street, Gautam Vihar, Amlidih Road Devpuri.



Eight Hospitals in the state Got NQAS Certificate for Quality Health Services

Why in News?

On June 13, 2023, eight health centres of the state providing excellent healthcare and better treatment to patients were awarded the National Quality Assurance

Standard (NQAS) certificate by the Union Ministry of Health & Family Welfare.

Key Points:

- It is known that the team of the Union Health Ministry had inspected these eight hospitals between April and May to test the quality of services available to the patients. The team also took feedback from the patients in this regard.
- The Union Health Ministry has awarded National Quality Assurance Standards Certificate to Majhgaon Sub Health Centre (Bilaspur), Dulla Health & Wellness Center (Gariaband), Kalcha Health & Wellness Center (Bastar), Peeprol Health & Wellness Center (Balrampur), Pithampur Health & Wellness Center (Gaurela-Pendra-Marwahi), Sasha Health & Wellness Center (Baloda Bazar) and Shiv Prasad Nagar Health & Wellness Center, Dakai Health & Wellness Center (Surguja)
- In the evaluation of the Health Ministry team, Mazgaon Sub Health Center got 81 percent, Dulla Health & Wellness Center got 82 percent, Kalcha Health & Wellness Center got 89 percent, Peeprol Health & Wellness Center got 73 percent, Pithampur Health & Wellness Center got 89 percent, Shiv Prasad Nagar Health & Wellness Center got 93 percent, Sasha Health & Wellness Center got 96 percent and Dakai Health & Wellness Center has got 88 percent marks.
- It is worth mentioning that the services and satisfaction level of the hospital are tested on various parameters by a team of experts before awarding the National Quality Assurance Standard Certificate. These include parameters such as services available, patients' rights, inputs, support services, clinical services, infection control, quality management and outcomes. Only hospitals that meet these stringent standards are issued quality certificates by the Union Health Ministry.

Players of Chhattisgarh won 15 Medals in National Games

Why in News?

Players from Chhattisgarh won a total of 15 medals including 1 gold, 6 silver, and 8 bronze in the first Tribal National Sports Competition held in Bhubaneswar, Odisha from June 9 to 12, 2023.

Note:

Key Points:

- Players from 18 states displayed their talent and sportsmanship in the first Tribal National Sports Meet held at Bhubaneswar, Odisha.
- The players of Chhattisgarh performed excellently and won the silver medal in 50-meter swimming and the bronze medal in 100-meter.
- Chhattisgarh's girls' football team proved their mettle by winning the gold medal.
- The kho-Kho girls' team and the Kabaddi girls' team got bronze medals.
- Tania won the bronze medal in high jump event of athletics, and Tarnika Teta of Bahtarai Residential Sports Academy, Bilaspur won the silver medal in 100 meters (about 328.08 ft) race and the bronze medal in the long jump. Manish Mandvi won the silver medal in the men's category and Pramila Mandvi won the silver medal in the girls' category in 5000 meters race.
- In archery, Kuber Singh Jagat of Bilaspur's Bahatrai Residential Sports Academy won the silver medal in individual 30 meters and a silver medal in individual overall.
- Kuber Singh and Bundeshwari Maravi won the bronze medal in the mixed event. At the same time, in the team archery championship, the girls won the bronze medal and the boys' archery team won the silver medal.



Eighth Phase of Malaria-Free Chhattisgarh Campaign' begins

Why in News?

On June 15, 2023, the eighth phase of the 'Malaria-free Chhattisgarh campaign' started in the state. Along with this, 'Intensive Leprosy Campaign' and 'National Netra Jyoti Abhiyan' also started in the state.

Key Points:

- It may be noted that this campaign is being run continuously in the state to achieve the goal of a complete malaria-free state by reducing the cases of malaria to the lowest level.
- This campaign will be conducted from June 15 to July 10 (25 days) in a total 23 districts of the state including all the seven districts of Bastar division. During this, about 22 lakh people will be tested for malaria by the teams of the health department.
- 'National Eye Jyoti Abhiyan' and 'Intensive Leprosy Search Campaign' will also be run jointly in 146 development blocks of all 33 districts of the state. During this, patients suspected of leprosy will be identified, examined and treated. During the campaign, availability of proper treatment will be ensured by identifying eye patients.
- In the eighth phase of malaria-free Chhattisgarh campaign, a target has been set for malaria screening of about 22 lakh people of the state. For this, 2854 teams have been formed across the state. 1539 teams have been formed in the Malaria-affected Bastar division and 1315 in other 16 districts.
- During the campaign, teams will be active for the investigation and treatment of malaria under 274 primary health centers & 904 sub-health centers. During the campaign, the health department team and Mitnans will go door-to-door to check malaria.
- People will be motivated for regular use of mosquito nets by making survey teams aware to prevent malaria. During this time BTI and burnt oil will also be sprinkled in the accumulated water & drains around the houses in the villages. The Health Department team will also inquire about potential patients of leprosy and eye diseases in all the houses.
- It is worth mentioning that in the first seven phases of malaria-free Chhattisgarh campaign, a total of one crore 41 lakh malaria tests have been done. During this, one lakh 49 thousand patients found positive were provided immediate treatment.
- The team of the Health Department has carried out malaria screening of 14 lakh six thousand people in the first phase, 23 lakh 75 thousand in the second phase, 15 lakh 70 thousand in the third phase, 19 lakh 98 thousand in the fourth phase, 14 lakh 36 thousand in the fifth phase, 43 lakh 61 thousand in the sixth phase and 9 lakh 34 thousand in the seventh phase.

Note:

- During this period, 64 thousand 646 people were found positive in the first phase, 30 thousand 76 in the second phase, 16 thousand 148 in the third phase, 11 thousand 363 in the fourth phase, 11 thousand 321 in the fifth phase, 7479 in the sixth phase and 7974 malaria victims in the seventh phase were treated immediately.

Circle and Forest Division Wise Jagdalpur on Top in the Progress of Minor Forest Produce-Based Development Works in the State

Why in News?

According to the information given by Chhattisgarh Public Relations Department on June 17, 2023, Jagdalpur is at the top in the progress of minor forest produce-based development works in Chhattisgarh circle and forest division-wise under the financial year 2022-23.

Key Points:

- According to the information, Jagdalpur has got the first place in the ranking of minor forest produce-based development works in all 6 forest circles and forest divisions of the state.
- According to the information received from the Managing Director, State Minor Forest Produce Association, Anil Rai, among these circle-wise first place is Raipur, Bilaspur, Durg, Kanker and Surguja after Jagdalpur.
- Similarly, in district union-wise ranking, first Jagdalpur is followed by Katghora and Balod. After this respectively Balodabazar, Dhamtari, Gariaband, Kawardha, Dantewada East Bhanupratappur, Rajnandgaon, Kanker, Bilaspur, Mahasamund, Balrampur, Sukma, Dharamjaigarh, Khairagarh, Bijapur, Korba, Narayanpur, Surajpur, Raigarh, Dakshin Kondagaon, Surguja, Jashpur, Manendragarh, West Bhanupratappur, Keshkal, Korea and Marwahi.
- According to Managing Director Anil Rai, the said rank has been determined after reviewing the work done by each circle and district union on the basis of collection, processing, marketing, lac rearing, drug project & financial progress under minor forest produce-based development works.

'Mukhyamantri Mitan Yojana' to be implemented in all 44 Municipalities

Why in News?

On June 19, 2023, Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh Bhupesh Baghel, keeping in mind the convenience of common citizens, has decided to implement the popular 'Mukhyamantri Mitan Yojana' in all 44 municipalities of the state, to get certificates and necessary government documents done at home.

Key Points:

- 'Mukhyamantri Mitan Yojana' is currently operational in 14 municipal corporations of the state. The popularity of this scheme can be gauged from the fact that so far 96,258 citizens have taken advantage of this scheme implemented from May 01, 2022.
- Since the implementation of this scheme on the initiative of the Chief Minister, there is no need for the citizens to visit Municipal Corporations, Tehsil and other government offices to get necessary certificates & official documents.
- Under this scheme, so far 96 thousand 258 citizens have been provided government documents of their requirements sitting at home. To take advantage of this scheme, so far 01 lakh 13 thousand 234 citizens have called on toll-free number 14545 to get government documents made.
- With the implementation of the scheme, senior citizens, the Disabled, labourers, farmers, women and common citizens have become very comfortable.
- Under Mitan Yojana, native resident certificate, scheduled caste tribe certificate, another backward class certificate, income certificate, copy of a land record, death certificate, marriage registration & certificate, birth certificates, birth certificate correction and documents related to shop & establishment registration can be obtained from Mitan service.
- Similarly, death certificate correction, marriage certificate correction, Aadhaar card registration, (for children up to 5 years) Aadhaar card address and mobile number correction, new ration card making, ration card transfer/surrender, ration card correction, New Ration Card APL, Ration Card Missing Case, Addition / Deletion of Name in Ration Card, Facility

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of making new BPL Ration Card is being provided under this scheme.

- Citizens have to call the scheme's toll-free number 14545 to get benefited from the Mukhyamantri Mitan Yojana. After this, the appointment is booked. Mitan reaches the applicant's home on the specified time & date, collects the required documents and uploads them on the portal after verifying the documents through the tablet.
- The verified documents are then sent online to the concerned departments, who issue the certificate after reviewing the documents pertaining to the applicant. After the certificate is issued, the certificate is delivered to the applicant's house by Mitan.



The state government has approved the establishment of 15 new Government Colleges

Why in News?

According to the information received from the Higher Education Department of Chhattisgarh on June 20, 2023, the state government has approved the establishment of 15 new government colleges in the state under the provisions made under the main head 2023-24.

Key Points:

- According to the information, implementing the announcement made in the budget speech of Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel in the Vidhan Sabha, approval has been given by the state government for the establishment of colleges in remote areas of Chhattisgarh and other places.
- Along with this, permission has been given to start classes along with approval for the creation of 495 posts at the rate of 33 posts per approved college.
- Name of the new college approved by the state government-
 - New Government College Mardapal, development block Kondagaon, district Kondagaon;
 - New Government College, Jewartala, Block Daundilohra, District Balod;
 - New Government College, Chilhati, Block Ambagarh Chowki, District Mohla-Manpur-Ambagarh Chowki;
 - New Government Girls College, District Mohla-Manpur-Ambagarh Chowki;
 - New Government Girls College, District Gariaband;
 - New Government Girls College, District Gorela-Pendra-Marwahi;
 - New Government Girls College, District Khairagarh-Chhuikhadan-Gandhi;
 - New Government Girls College, District Manendragarh-Chirmiri-Bharatpur;
 - New Government Girls College, District Sarangarh-Bilaigarh;
 - New Government College, Kunda Development Block, Pandariya, District Kabirdham;
 - New Government College, Kera Development Block, Nawagarh, District Janjgir-Champa;
 - New Government College Arjuni, Block Dongargaon, District Rajnandgaon;
 - New Government College Amlidih Raipur, District Raipur;
 - New Government College Mana Camp Raipur, District Raipur;
 - New Government College Akaltari Development Block Bilha, District Bilaspur.

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'Dekho Bastar Season 2-Bastar on Bike'

Why in News?

'Dekho Bastar Season 2-Bastar on Bike' was successfully organized by Kanger Valley National Park in the Bastar district of Chhattisgarh from June 18-20, 2023.

Key Points:

- 60 riders from Chhattisgarh and border states participated in the program organized in collaboration with Chhattisgarh Tourism Board, Bastar and local partner organizations where they completed the motor circuit to promote Bastar tourism.
- Director of Kanger Valley National Park Dhammasil Ganvir said that the main objective of 'Bastar on Bike' is to show the natural beauty and access roads, roads, and facilities of Bastar to the tourists through riders to promote tourism.
- The riders started the 'Dekho Bastar Ride' on June 18 from Maa Danteshwari Temple Jagdalpur and reached Tirathgarh via Kurandi, Gumalwada, Koleng. After this, on June 19, all the riders completed the motor circuit by reaching Chitrakoot from Tirathgarh via Katekalyan via Dantewada, Barsur, and Korlapal.
- In the closing ceremony of this event, a workshop was also organized by Chhattisgarh Tourism Board on June 19 to promote wellness tourism. In which MasterChef Vijay Sharma gave information about the benefits and dishes of millets like Kodo, Kutki, Ragi etc.



New initiative of Chhattisgarh State Information Commission

Commission: Appellants will now be able to connect through mobile for hearing

Why in News?

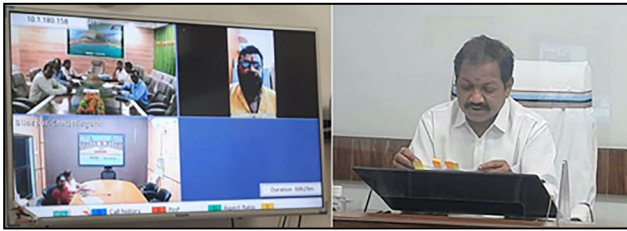
On June 21, 2023, the Chhattisgarh State Information Commission has started a new initiative, in which the appellants will now be able to join the hearing of the second appeal through mobile. With this, the appellant sitting at home or from any other place can be directly present in the second appeal hearing with the help of mobile in video conferencing.

Key Points:

- It has been started on a trial basis in Chhattisgarh State Information Commission. The trial was conducted in the court of State Information Commissioner Manoj Trivedi and State Information Commissioner Dhanvendra Jaiswal.
- In the second appeal under the RTI, several cases of Thakur Naval Singh from Bilaspur and Devashish from Kanker were heard. In this, the appellants attended the hearing from their mobile. The appellants got an opportunity to hear from home.
- State Information Commissioner Manoj Trivedi asked the appellants to use a better network to connect through mobile connections so that the audio and video quality is good.
- State Information Commissioner Dhanvendra Jaiswal said that till now the appellants were attending the hearing from the courtroom of the State Information Commissioner or the video conferencing room of the NIC located in the collectorate of the respective districts. Now you will also get the opportunity and facility to join from mobile.
- Chhattisgarh State Information Commission Secretary G.R. Churendra said that work has been started on a trial basis at present to enable the candidates to attend the hearing of the Second Appeal of the State Information Commission with a mobile connection. In this, a link will be sent from the court of the State Information Commissioner to the registered mobile.

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number of the appellants. Through that link, the appellants will be able to directly join the date of hearing in the case of a second appeal under the Right to Information Act 2005.



Chief Minister Inaugurated 4318 Balwadis in the Second Phase of Balwadi Yojana

Why In News?

On June 26, 2023, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel launched 4318 Balwadis in the second phase of the Balwadi Scheme. In the first phase, 5173 Balwadis were opened in the state.

Key Points:

- It is known that on the occasion of Teachers' Day on September 5, 2022, Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel launched the 'Balwadi Yojana' in the state to develop the ability of children to learn and understand sports as per the new education policy.
- The scheme was launched by Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel at the Chief Minister's residence office with the theme of 'Jabo Balwadi Badbo Shiksha Ki Gaadi'.
- The kindergarten scheme has been started by the School Education Department for children in the age group of five to six years.
- Through the 'Balwadi Scheme', the child is encouraged to learn, and they are prepared for the school environment. In addition to Balwadi helpers in every kindergarten for children, an assistant teacher at the

primary school concerned is also posted and for this, an additional honorarium of Rs 500 per month is also provided to the assistant teacher.

- In the first phase of the 'Balwadi Scheme', 5173 Balwadis of the state were converted into Balwadis, through which 68 thousand 54 students out of 3 lakh 23 thousand 624 students of 5-6 years of the state benefited in the academic year 2022-23.
- Children's material 'Bal Vatika' has been constructed for the operation of kindergarten. The kindergarten is operated 2 hours before the lunch break on the school premises.



World Bank approves Rs 2460 crore to Improve the Quality of School Education

Why in News?

According to the information given by the Public Relations Department of Chhattisgarh on June 27, 2023, the World Bank has given about 2460 crores to Chhattisgarh to increase the quality of education with better infrastructure in the schools of Chhattisgarh, to encourage the education of science and commerce at the senior secondary level. Sanctioned an amount of Rs. About 40 lakh students coming from poor and weaker sections will be benefited from this project.

Key Points:

- It is worth mentioning that on the initiative of Chief Minister Mr. Bhupesh Baghel, along with strengthening school education in Chhattisgarh, Swami Atmanand English and Hindi medium schools are being started

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to provide quality education to the talented students of the poor class. Apart from this, many innovative initiatives are also being taken in the field of education.

- Chhattisgarh Accelerated Learning for Knowledge Economy Operation (CHALK) project has been launched keeping in view the increasing demand for science and commerce at the senior secondary level, ensuring access to education at all levels. Through this project, better facilities for teaching and learning are also being made available in schools located in remote areas.
- In this series, with the help of the World Bank, to encourage science and commerce education in secondary schools of the state, increase the number of science and mathematics teachers, as well as strengthen the necessary infrastructure in laboratories, students coming from remote places to study. A project has been prepared for arranging accommodation for students, increasing the enrollment rate of students in schools and providing quality education.
- This World Bank project will help develop and operate about 600 model schools from class 1 to 12 and encourage science and commerce education at the secondary level.
- Trained teachers, strong leadership and adequate infrastructure for learning management will be provided in the schools. The project will reduce learning loss during COVID-19.
- The teachers' training through the project will improve the teachers' ability to teach in the classroom as well as enhance the student's ability to learn the subject matter. This project will increase employment opportunities for the youth in the fast-growing construction and service sectors in Chhattisgarh.



Narayanpur ranked 2nd in Aspirational Districts of the Country

Why in News?

According to the information provided by the Chhattisgarh Public Relations Department on June 28, 2023, in the Jal Jeevan Survekshan 2023, Narayanpur district of Chhattisgarh has secured second place among 43 aspirational districts of the country.

Key Points:

- Narayanpur district has got this proud ranking for the best implementation of the works of the Jal Jeevan Mission during the last six months.
- It is noteworthy that in the Jal-Jeevan Survekshan 2023 conducted from October 1, 2022, to March 31, 2023, Narayanpur has got second place among the aspirational districts of the country.
- It is known that Chhattisgarh State's remarkable progress in Jal Jeevan Mission has been appreciated by the Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Government of India.
- Chhattisgarh has also achieved a remarkable achievement of providing domestic tap connections to more than one lakh 27 thousand rural families in the last fortnight.
- It is noteworthy that under the Jal Jeevan Mission, the target of providing household tap connections to 25 lakh 11 thousand 850 rural families in the state of Chhattisgarh has been completed, which is 50.13 percent of the target of providing household tap connections.
- So far, 100 percent of households in 556 villages of Chhattisgarh state have also been given household tap connections. A total of 50 lakh 10 thousand 499 rural families living in the rural areas of the state have a target of providing pure drinking water through household tap connections.

Health Department and Tata Trust Together Made 23 urban PHCs of the State Adarsh Humar Aspatal

Why in News?

According to the information provided by the Public Relations Department of Chhattisgarh on June 28, 2023,

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the State Government's Health Department, National Health Mission and Tata Trust's sister organization CINI (Collectives for Integrated Livelihood Initiatives) have jointly converted 23 urban primary health centres of the state into Adarsh Humar Aspatal. developed as.

Key Points:

- The local people are getting excellent health services from these model Hummer hospitals. Out of these 23, 14 Urban Primary Health Centers have been awarded the National Quality Assurance Standard (NQAS) certificate by the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
- The Tata Trust has also collaborated with Sri Sathya Sai Sanjeevani Hospital in Naya Raipur for the screening and treatment of children suffering from Congenital Heart Disease. One thousand children have been operated upon with the help of the trust.
- With the help of the trust, screening centres for congenital heart diseases are also being run in four cities of Jagdalpur, Bilaspur, Rajnandgaon and Raipur.
- The closing ceremony of the Model Urban Primary Health Center run by CINI in Chhattisgarh and the CHD project of Tata Trust was organized today at a private hotel in Naya Raipur.
- A panel discussion on 'Primary Health Care among Urban Population' was also organized along with a workshop on 'Workplace Happiness' for the hospital staff.
- A booklet based on the Adarsh Humar Aspatal Project in Chhattisgarh prepared by CINI was also released in the programme.
- It is known that from the year 2019, the Model Urban Primary Health Center project was being run by the Tata Trusts in partnership with the state government under the Chhattisgarh Health Systems Strengthening Initiative.
- Under this, child-friendly model vaccination rooms, patient-centred health centres, use of digital technologies, pharmacy strengthening, increasing the number of tests and medicines and increasing the efficiency of the staff working there in the state's 23 urban primary health centres as model Hummer hospitals. has been developed.
- Other urban primary health centres of the state will also be developed as Adarsh Humar Aspatal on the same lines. Tata Trusts has also partnered with Sri Sathya Sai Sanjeevani Hospital for the early detection and treatment of congenital heart diseases (CHD)

as part of its commitment to making healthcare accessible to all.

- The hospital developed as Adarsh Humar Aspatal-
- Bhanpuri, Bhatagaon, Labhandi, Rajatalab, Gudhiyari, Amasivani, Mathpurena, Hirapur, Kanshiram Nagar, Devpuri and Gogaon Urban Primary Health Centers of Raipur,
- Baikunth Dham, New Khursipar, Potia Kala and Charoda Urban Primary Health Centers of Durg District
- Gandhi Chowk and Rajkishore Nagar Urban Primary Health Centers of Bilaspur District,
 - Dhodhipara and Gopalpur Urban Primary Health Centers of Korba District,
 - Budha Mahadev Urban Primary Health Center of Kabirdham District,
 - Nawapara Urban Primary Health Center of Ambikapur District,
 - Shri Ram Nagar Urban Primary Health Center of Kanker District,
 - Out of the above, Bhanpuri, Bhatagaon, Rajatalab, Amasivani, Mathpurena, Hirapur, Charoda, Gandhi Chowk and Rajkishore Nagar, Dhodhipara and Gopalpur, Budha Mahadev, Nawapara, and Shri Ram Nagar Urban Primary Health Center have been awarded the National Quality Assurance Standard Certificate by the Union Ministry of Health.



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