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### Supplementary Budget

#### Why in News

On March 2, 2022, Jharkhand's third supplementary budget of Rs 2,698 crore presented by Finance Minister Rameshwar Oraon was passed by voice vote in the assembly.

#### **Key Points**

- > The third supplementary budget has been brought for the new scheme, which is a petrol subsidy to Below Poverty Line (BPL) families. A provision of Rs 100 crore has been made for petrol subsidy in the supplementary budget.
- Significantly, with the hike in petrol prices, the state government has decided to give a subsidy of Rs 250 per month to BPL families.
- It is noteworthy that Chief Minister Hemant Soren had launched a petrol subsidy scheme on the occasion of Republic Day, under which Below Poverty Line (BPL) families would get a subsidy of Rs 25 per liter for 10 liters of petrol per month.
- Apart from this, a provision of Rs 38 crore has been made in the supplementary budget for payment of honorarium to Poshan Sakhis.

### Jharkhand Budget 2022-23

#### why in the news

On March 3, 2022, Jharkhand's Finance Minister Rameshwar Oraon presented a budget of Rs 1.01 lakh crore for the financial year 2022-23. There is a proposal to increase capital expenditure by 59 percent in this budget.

#### key points

- Earlier on March 2, the third supplementary budget of Rs 2698.14 crore for the financial year 2021-22 was passed in the Jharkhand Legislative Assembly.
- > 76273.30 crore is proposed for revenue expenditure in the financial year 2022-23.
- An increase of 59 per cent on capital expenditure is proposed to be Rs 24827.70 crore.
- In the gross amount provisioned in the budget, Rs 31896.64 crore has been provided for the general sector, Rs 37313.22 crore for the social sector and Rs 31891.14 crore for the economic sector.

- In the financial year 2021-22, the growth rate is estimated at 8.8 percent at constant prices and 14.5 percent at current prices. While the growth rate in the financial year 2022-23 at constant and current prices is estimated at 6.15 percent and 10.72 percent respectively.
- The fiscal deficit is estimated to be Rs 11286.47 crore in the coming financial year 2022-23, which is 2.81 percent of the estimated GSDP of the coming financial year.
- In the social sector as a whole, a total growth of 11 percent is proposed in the coming financial year as compared to the financial year 2021-22. Under this, 27 percent increase has been made in health, 20 percent in drinking water, 6.5 percent in education and 21 percent in food distribution.
- Other key points provided in Jharkhand Budget 2022-23 are as follows-
- 'Guruji Credit Card Scheme' will be started to remove the obstacles being faced by the students of Jharkhand in higher education.
- In order to reduce the electricity burden on the poor and farmers, it has been proposed to provide 100 units of electricity per month free of cost to each such family.
- **50,000** per house will be available for the construction of an additional room from the state fund of the government.
- Para teachers will be known as assistant teachers. An additional provision of Rs 600 crore has been made under the state plan for the honorarium of these teachers for the coming year 2022-23.
- A budget of Rs 4,091.37 crore has been proposed for agriculture and allied sectors.
- Under the Go-Dhan Nyay Yojana, cow dung will be procured at a reasonable price with the aim of increasing the income of cattle farmers and farmers. Along with making biogas, organic manure will be prepared from this.
- Along with this, the target of distribution of livestock on grant in the financial year 2022-23 to 40 thousand beneficiaries has been set to produce 85 lakh liters of milk per day in the year 2022-23.
- In this financial year, a budgetary provision of Rs 30 crore has been proposed for the construction of a cold house.



- 25 crore has been proposed in the Corpus Fund to compensate for the economic loss in agricultural produce.
- > It has been proposed to build a degree college at Gola under Ramgarh district.

# Two Vice Chancellors Honored with Honorary Degrees of Colonel

#### Why in News

On March 7, 2022, the Governor of Jharkhand, Ramesh Bais honored Dr. Mukul Narayan Dev, Vice Chancellor of Vinoba Bhave University and Dr. Sonjharia Minj, Vice Chancellor of Sidho Kanhu Murmu University, with honorary degrees of Colonel at Raj Bhavan.

#### **Key Points**

- Along with this, both the Vice Chancellors were appointed as Colonel Commandants for NCC Officers and Cadets under their respective Universities.
- It is to be noted that only those Vice Chancellors selected from the Ministry of Defence, Government of India are given the title of Honorary Colonel, who have made special contribution in their university for the expansion and upliftment of NCC.
- These Vice Chancellors did the work of encouraging NCC cadets in their university. In view of these works, on the recommendation of the Director General of NCC, the Government of India decided to confer on him the honorary title of Colonel.
- > The cadets of the Air Force and Naval wing of NCC also displayed several aircraft and aircraft models in the ceremony.

## Process of Giving Direct Benefits of Schemes to Farmers Started

#### Why in News

On March 7, 2022, Director of Agriculture, Jharkhand Nisha Oraon informed that the Agriculture Department has started the process of giving direct benefits of the schemes to all the farmers of Jharkhand.

#### **Key Points**

- Under this, farmers of women self-help groups formed by FPOs and JSLPS formed in the state will be given direct benefits of departmental schemes, so that middlemen can be eliminated.
- All the eligible FPOs and women self-help groups formed by JSLPS will be listed by the Agriculture Department at the district level, who will be provided the benefits of departmental schemes in the form of package plans.
- > The meaning of the package scheme is that the women farmers from the Directorate of Horticulture, who will be provided vegetable seeds, mulching or poly houses for flower farming, will be given the benefit of the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana, which is being run by the Directorate of Agriculture. In this, the amount of grant is 90 and 80 percent.
- Similarly, women farmers who will be provided with agricultural machinery, will also be provided seeds for vegetable cultivation. With such an effort, there will be an expected increase in the income of such FPOs and financially empowered women groups, as well as an increase in productivity will also be reflected.
- > Special initiative is being taken by the department for the empowerment of women farmers. Under this mapping of women oriented FPOs and SHGs with the schemes of Directorate of Agriculture and Horticulture is being done. In the financial year 2022-23, they will be given handholding and training along with the benefits of schemes, so that they can become self-reliant.

## Vocational Skills Training Center in Dhanbad

#### Why in News'

On March 8, 2022, Chief Minister Hemant Soren inaugurated the Vocational Skills Training Center online in Dhanbad under the 'Tejaswini Project' on the occasion of International Women's Day.



#### **Key Points**

- On this occasion, the Chief Minister felicitated Anganwadi worker Nutan Devi of Dumka and Rita Shri Parya of West Singhbhum, and Amola Baski and Jaya Biruli, who did commendable work during the Covid transition period, by giving them certificates and citations.
- Minister of Women, Child Development and Social Security, Joba Manjhi said that Tejaswini Project is being implemented in 17 districts. 10.89 lakh girls are associated with the 12,800 club.
- Chief Minister Hemant Soren and Minister Joba Manjhi released the 'Setu Education Curriculum' on the occasion. The Setu Education course is starting in 17 districts of the state. Its objective is to connect girls of 14 to 20 years of education from 8th to 10th away from school.
- The Chief Minister also provided Aadhar kits to rural women to take advantage of the schemes. Keeping in view the essentiality of Aadhar card in the schemes, kits were given to the women so that the Aadhar card of the beneficiaries could be made and they could be given the benefits of the schemes.

## SAIF U-18 Women's Football Tournament

#### Why in the news?

On March 15, 2022, the SAFF Under-18 (SAFF U-18) Women's Football Championship competition was inaugurated at JRD Sports Complex, Jamshedpur, hosted by Jharkhand.

#### key points

- > The tournament was jointly inaugurated by State Sports and Tourism Minister Hafeezul Hasan, Health Minister Banna Gupta and MLA Saryu Rai.
- > The tournament is being organized jointly by the state government, National Football Federation and Tata Steel.
- ➤ It is noteworthy that for the first time after the formation of the state, Jharkhand has been the host of SAIF Under-18 Women's Football Championship.

- Players from three countries India, Nepal and Bangladesh are participating in the championship held from March 15 to 25.
- 6 players from Jharkhand Ameesha Bakhala, Astam Oraon, Sunita Munda, Anita Kumari, Neetu Linda and Poornima Kumari have been selected in the Indian team in the SAIF Under-18 Women's Football Competition.
- The first match of the competition was played between India and Nepal, in which the Indian team started their SAFF Under-18 Championship campaign with a bang by defeating Nepal 7-0.
- ➤ A provision has been made for free entry to the public in all the matches of the competition, so that the maximum number of people can watch the match.

## Mob Violence and Prevention of Mob Lynching Bill, 2021

#### Why in News

On March 17, 2022, Jharkhand Governor Ramesh Bais returned the Mob Violence and Prevention of Mob Lynching Bill, 2021 to the state government.

#### **Key Points**

- Governor Ramesh Bais has returned the bill directing to redefine the word 'Mob' in this bill.
- The Governor kept this bill with him for about four months and returned it in consultation with the Law Department.
- Article 200 of the Indian Constitution deals with the powers of the Governor with regard to assent given to bills passed by the State legislature and other powers of the Governor such as reserving the bill for the President's consideration.
- It is noteworthy that in the winter session of Jharkhand Legislative Assembly last year (2021), the Hemant government of the state got it passed by the House and sent it to the Governor for his approval.
- In the Prevention of Mob Lynching Bill, 2021, the state government has made a provision for attachment of property with fine and punishment ranging from three years to life imprisonment.
- In this bill, a provision has been made for the punishment of life imprisonment for the death of



- someone in mob lynching. Apart from this, there is a provision of punishment ranging from 10 years to life imprisonment for grievous hurt.
- According to the bill, those instigating the mob will also be held guilty and will be given a three-year jail term. Whoever destroys any evidence connected with the offense shall also be deemed to be an offender. Apart from this, provision has been made in this bill to provide compensation to the victim's family and free treatment of the victim.

### Jharkhand: First State in the Country to Approve the Plans of AMRUT 2.0

#### Why in News?

Recently, the Central Government has approved 100 percent schemes of the Jharkhand Government for Atal Mission (AMRUT) 2.0 for renewal and urban transformation. With this, Jharkhand has become the first state in the country to approve the schemes under AMRUT 2.0.

#### **Key Points**

- In the first phase, 6 states had sent the proposal, out of which Jharkhand is the first state, whose plans have been approved first.
- With this, the water supply system of 16 municipal bodies of the state – Ramgarh, Simdega, Lohardaga, Gumla, Jamtara, Barharwa, Barkisaria, Bachra, Chhatarpur, Hariharganj, Vanshidhar, Dhanwar, Mahagama, Domchanch, Kapali and Bishrampur will be improved. Apart from this, work will also be accelerated in the area of waste water management in Amrit City.
- ➤ The goals set under AMRUT 2.0 in Jharkhand are to provide free drinking water to every household in the urban area, waste water management in seven major cities of the state, rejuvenation of water bodies in all bodies and to develop greenery by 2025-26.
- > It is worth mentioning that the meter connection to every household in the state has already been made free of cost and free water supply has been announced to the households using controlled quantities of water, irrespective of the scheme.

- ➤ There is a plan to provide free water in the form of tap water to 190000 houses in 16 municipal bodies of the state. More than 900,000 people will benefit from these schemes. In the plans, new technology, such as SCADA, GIS and sensors will be used.
- ➤ The state has received Rs 1178 crore as the contribution amount of the Center under AMRUT 2.0. The schemes for which approval has been received in the first phase will cost a total of Rs 1122 crore, in which the contribution of the central as well as the state government is there.
- It is noteworthy that Atal Mission for Renewal and Urban Transformation (AMRUT), the country's first focused National Water Mission, was launched in June 2015 in 500 cities of the country to bring ease of living to citizens by providing tap connections and sewer connections. went.

### **Domicile Policy**

#### Why in News?

On March 21, 2022, thousands of youths associated with tribal-indigenous organizations demonstrated in Ranchi on the issue of deciding the local policy (Domicile Policy) on the basis of the land survey conducted in 1932 during British rule.

#### **Key Points**

- The agitators say that a separate Jharkhand state was created with the objective that tribes and natives would get priority in government jobs, resources and facilities. But, even after almost two decades of the formation of Jharkhand, this is not happening, because in its resources and jobs, the dominance of people settled in Jharkhand from other states has been established.
- ➤ It is on this basis that there is a demand that Jharkhand's 'Local Person' (Domicile) should be considered only those people who have proof that the names of their ancestors are included in the land survey papers (Khatian) in 1932.
- According to the local policy defined in the tenure of the then Jharkhand Chief Minister Raghuvar Das in 2016, since 1985, people living in Jharkhand have



- been considered as local residents of Jharkhand, but the present government has practically neutralized this policy. .
- In this context, on the question asked during the budget session, Chief Minister Hemant Soren said that on the basis of Khatian of 1932, the policy made by the government of Babulal Marandi in the past was rejected by the High Court, so his government will take decision only after statutory consultation in this matter.

## Release of book written by **Assembly Speaker Rabindra** Nath Mahto

#### Why in News?

On March 23, 2022, Chief Minister Hemant Soren released the book 'Vicharon Ke Eleven Adhyay' written by Jharkhand Assembly Speaker Rabindra Nath Mahato.

#### **Key Points**

- In this book many dimensions have been highlighted by the author. Historical movements in Jharkhand and rich tradition and culture of tribals have been saved in this book. This book is dedicated to the martyrs of Jharkhand separate state movement.
- > Through this, an attempt has been made to tell how important the formation of small states is in Indian democracy.
- An attempt has also been made in this book to make aware of the sports and sports talents of Jharkhand.
- The Chief Minister said that this book also has a special focus on the Constitution and Parliamentary traditions. An attempt has also been made to tell how the parliamentary system can be strengthened by better coordination and relations between the legislature, executive and judiciary.
- In this book, the Speaker has tried to tell about the changes taking place in the environment and measures to promote environmental protection.

## 'Clean School Healthy Children' campaign 2022

#### Why in News?

On March 24, 2022, Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren and Education Minister Jagarnath Mahto launched the 'Clean School Healthy Children' campaign 2022 from the assembly premises and flagged off the cleanliness campaign vehicle.

#### **Key Points**

- > With the aim of reactivating the infrastructure of the schools which were closed for a long period during the Corona period and in order to provide special training to children on cleanliness and hygiene, the 'Swachh Vidyalaya Healthy Children' campaign 2022 has been started with the joint effort of the Department of School Education and Literacy and UNICEF at the school level.
- This campaign will be run in all the schools of the state from March 24 to 30, 2022, under which efforts will be made to make the schools safe and organised.
- Under the campaign, a cleanliness campaign vehicle will be run in all 263 blocks of the state, which will help in organising 35000 schools through publicity.
- In this work, UNICEF and its affiliated organisations are providing technical support and training at the district/block, cluster and school level.
- With this campaign, schools will also get opportunity to improve their grading in force and clean school award competition.

## Jharkhand Vidhan Sabha Rules of Disqualification from Membership on Defection - 2006

#### Why in News?

> On March 24, 2022, the Jharkhand assembly passed the amendments in "Jharkhand Vidhan Sabha Rules of Disqualification from Membership on Defection-2006".



#### **Key Points**

- According to this, now any person can file a petition for defection in the Speaker's Tribunal under the 10th Schedule of the Constitution. Earlier, only the Speaker had the right to take suo motu cognizance in the defection case. This arrangement has been abolished in the new amendment.
- > This amendment has been made in the light of the decision given by the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court had ruled in 2013 that under the Anti-Defection Act, an outsider can raise the matter.
- In this regard, the special committee of the Legislative Assembly had recommended the removal of the power of suo motu cognizance of the Speaker in the defection case, which has now been abolished.
- Apart from this, the rules of Zero Hour and Question Hour have also been amended. The Chief Minister's Question Hour has been removed and the number of Zero Hour has been increased from 15 to 25 in the manual. Also, the system of putting questions 14 days in advance has been abolished.

## Indian Women's Team Won the SAFF Under-18 Football Championship

#### Why in News?

In the SAIF Under-18 Women's Football Championship held in Jamshedpur on March 25, 2022, the host Indian women's team won the title on the basis of better goal average.

#### **Key Points**

- Bangladesh beat India 1-0 in the last match of the championship played between India and Bangladesh at the JRD Sports Complex Stadium, but the Indian team was declared the winner on the basis of the most points in the points table.
- ➤ In this match between India and Bangladesh, the score of the first half of the match was 0-0. Bangladesh took a 1-0 lead in the second half of the match, which lasted till the end. However, Bangladesh needed a 2-0 win to win this championship.

- India's Linda Kam Sturto got the honor of scoring the most goals. Linda Kam also received the award for Most Valuable Player of the tournament.
- > It is noteworthy that 22 years after the formation of Jharkhand, this was the first time that an international football tournament was organized in Jharkhand.

## Jharkhand Industrial Area Development Authority (JIADA)

#### Why in News?

On March 28, 2022, under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Hemant Soren, the 10th meeting of the Board of Directors of Jharkhand Industrial Area Development Authority (JIADA) was held. A total of 24 proposals were discussed in the meeting.

#### **Key Points**

- In the meeting, in the case of transfer of leasehold rights of partial land under Jharkhand Industrial Area Development Authority Regulation-2016, approval was given to transfer 100% of the land value fixed in the current year.
- The budget of the authority for the financial year 2022-23 was also approved.
- In Gopalganj village of Nirsa zone of Dhanbad district, 34.07 acres of land transferred to Jiyada, which is reserved for the establishment of leather park/footwear park industries, was de-reserved and approved to be marked for the establishment of general category industries.
- Approval was given to de-reserve the remaining land out of the allotted land reserved for food processing, hatchery, egg, meat processing in Sosai industrial area located under JIADA.
- Many other important proposals were discussed in the meeting and post-facto approval was also given on many proposals. On the occasion, the Chief Minister also launched the website of Jiada Bokaro Zone.

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