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Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Gaurav Award 2023

Why In News?

Jharkhand resident Bollywood actor Javed Pathan was honored with the 'Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Gaurav Award 2023' on June 28, 2023 at Mukti Foundation Hall, Andheri West, Mumbai, Maharashtra's capital, in a program organized by Dadasaheb Phalke Icon Award Films Organization.

Key Points:

- Javed Pathan received this award for the film 'NRI Wives', where he was given the title of 'Icon Actor of the Year'. The film was shot in America.
- It is known that 'Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Gaurav Award' is awarded to those who give a better message to the society or who have done good work for the society. This award is given to people from all walks of life, be it in the world of films, in the field of literature, administrative officers or in the field of politics.
- 'NRI Wives' is a film based on a true domestic story. The film depicts four NRI stories inspired by real life. The name of the third story of these is 'Desire', in which Javed Pathan has played the lead role. He is seen in a gray character in it, his character's name is Gaurav. The film shows how good people can show gray shades even in the toughest situations of life.
- It is known that Javed Pathan is a resident of Dhanbad, a small town in Jharkhand and is continuously touching the heights of success. Earlier in 2020, he received the 'India Brand Icon Award'.
- Javed Pathan has so far enthralled the audience with his strong acting in many TV serials, web series and music albums. His acting has been well received in many TV shows like Jodha Akbar, Vighnaharta Ganesh, Maharana Pratap, Baalveer and Mahadev.



Parwez Sheetal's Book 'Silent Roselings' Released

Why In News?

On June 28, 2023, a two-day international seminar organized by the Indian College of Education at Mandar, Ranchi, the capital of Jharkhand, discussed the topic 'Global Challenges of Education and its Access to Education' and released Parwez Sheetal's book 'Silent Roselings' Happened too.

Key Points:

- Padma Shri Mukund Nayak, Dr. DN Singh, Dr. Kamal Kumar Bose and other dignitaries released Parwez Sheetal's book 'Silent Roselings' in this seminar. The specialty of this book is that it is in five languages.
- The book of Parwez Sheetal, a resident of Katrasgarh in Dhanbad and currently posted in Giridih, has been translated into five major languages of the world. Under this, this book has been translated into German, French, Italian, Spanish, and Turkish.
- Dr. Sudesh Kumar Sahoo, DSW, Ranchi University, said that such programs provide opportunities to research scholars and trainee students to learn a lot and boost their confidence.
- Indian College of Education Secretary Nitin Parashar said that it is his endeavor to equip the students of the institute with all kinds of skills so that they can make valuable contributions to the society. The aim of the institute is to give right direction to the society by educating the people of rural areas.
- During this, Queen Lompou of Greece and Queen Nadia Harihiri of Hawaii Kingdom and other educationists also expressed their views through the webinar.



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State's First Women's Library Inaugurated in Gumla

Why In News?

On July 3, 2023, Jharkhand's Finance Minister Dr. Rameshwar Oraon inaugurated Jharkhand's First 400-Seater Hi-Tech Women's Library in Gumla district of the state.

Key Points:

- The above library is named after India's first woman teacher and social worker Savitri Bai Phule.
- All basic facilities including books for all types of competitive exams have been made available in this library. It has thousands of books on various subjects which will be helpful for any type of competitive exam.
- This hi-tech women's library has been built in honor of women, in which women and students can do their studies in a peaceful environment without any hesitation.
- During this, Finance Minister Dr. Rameshwar Oraon also distributed blind sticks, wheelchairs, hearing aids and crutches to 112 disabled people from the allocation received under the welfare scheme. Under this scheme, about 550 Divyangjans have been identified in the district and after two months in the second phase, Divyangjans will be made available for their needs.

Workers will now get Maternity leave in Jharkhand

Why in News?

According to information received from the media on July 5, 2023, Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren has approved the proposal related to maternity leave to women employees appointed on a contract basis, so that now women employees appointed on contract will get the benefit of maternity leave.

Key Points:

- It is known that earlier there was no provision to give the benefit of maternity leave to women employees appointed on contract.

- The proposal approved by the Chief Minister will be applicable to those women employees who have worked on contract for 80 days in the last 12 months, they will get the benefit of 180 days of maternity leave.
- This leave will not apply to deliveries made after two live children. The contract amount for maternity leave will be equal to the last contract amount received before going on leave.
- Maternity benefits are benefits that are provided to women employees during pregnancy and after delivery to protect their rights. These benefits are governed by the Maternity Benefit Act, 1961.

Chief Minister gifted 206 Ambulances to Jharkhand

Why in News?

According to information received from the media on July 5, 2023, Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren gifted 206 ambulances equipped with modern facilities to the state, out of which 51 ambulances have advanced life system and 131 have basic life system.

Key Points:

- On this occasion, the Chief Minister also inaugurated 5 medical mobile units for which an MoU has been signed with Smile Foundation.
- The Chief Minister also launched Mamta Vahan App, Mukhyamantri Critical Illness Scheme and Ayushman App.
- On this occasion, the Chief Minister said that efforts are being made to simplify and improve the health facility through the operation of ambulances, for what new apps and steps are being taken to provide health services to the people of the state.
- Apart from this, the Chief Minister said that efforts are currently on to open medicine shops in all panchayats to provide self-employment to the youth of the state. Now a pharma degree will no longer be required to open a drug store. Educated youth will be able to run their own medicine shop.
- At the same time, he announced the opening of a grand medical college in Jharkhand, in which world-class facilities will be made available.

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Contract Women Gumla's 4 Female Football Players Selected for India Camp

Why In News?

According to information received from the media on July 5, 2023, 4 women footballers have been selected from the Residential Football Girls Training Center Indoor Stadium in Gumla district of Jharkhand for the India Camp conducted in Indore under the Asian Football Championship (Asia Cup) 2023.

Key Points

- Selected girl players include Shivani Toppo, Viksit Bara, Vikshit Bara and Shaulina Dang and Anita Dungdung.
- District Sports Officer Kumari Hemlata Boon said that all the four players will receive special football training for two months in the camp. All the four players have made their place for training in the camp on the basis of their sporting talent. If the players perform well in the camp, they can be selected for the Asia Cup as well.

- He said that Gumla district, which is known as Sports City, is full of sportspersons. The players here are very talented and have made Gumla's identity at the international level.



Project RAIL

Why in News?

On July 6, 2023, Deputy Commissioner of Jharkhand's Khunti district Shashi Ranjan told in the meeting of the Education Department that Project RAIL (Regular Assessment for Improved Learning) will be started to provide quality education to children in the Khunti district.

Key Points:

- Project RAIL will be run in selected 14 secondary schools of Khunti block and two secondary and high schools from each block. It will start from July 14.
- Deputy Commissioner Shashi Ranjan said that according to the syllabus taught in mathematics, science and social science in the selected schools under the project, weekly checks will be done on the basis of objective questions, which will assess the learning level of the children and their day-to-day progress.
- For this, a dashboard will be created, in which weekly examinations, syllabus information, and performance analysis of children will be displayed. The dashboard will be linked to NIC.



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Traffic Children Park to be built in Ranchi Smart City

Why in News?

According to the information received from the media on July 6, 2023, the way has been cleared to build the country's 11th Traffic Children's Park on four and a half acres of smart city land located in Dhurwa, Ranchi, the capital of Jharkhand. About Rs 14 crore will be spent on the construction of the park.

Key Points:

- The traffic load on the city roads is increasing, but the trend of drivers is not in that proportion. This is the reason why 10 people are dying every day in road accidents in the state. That's why it has been decided to make Traffic Children's Park here.
- With the formation of Traffic Children's Park, children and their parents will be able to get information about the way of driving vehicles, signs and rules related to traffic.
- At the same time, signboards installed at other places including underpasses, signals, railway gates and sharp turns of the road, where the speed of different types of vehicles should be and information about the damage caused by overtaking vehicles will be easily available in the traffic park.
- There will also be means of entertainment for children in the park. There will be arrangements for sports and battery vehicles. Children will also be informed about the importance of traffic signals while driving a battery vehicle.
- It is known that earlier the Transport Department had decided to build this park on the land allotted by the Heavy Engineering Corporation (HEC). For this, after preparing the DPR, the work was allotted to the tender after taking out the tender. But six months back, on the day the work was to start, the HEC lodged a protest and stayed the construction work.
- After this, Chief Secretary Sukhdev Singh had instructed the concerned department to give land for the construction of the Traffic Children Park in Smart City.



Raidih's Mandar will get GI Tag

Why In News?

On July 10, 2023, according to the information received from the media, Mandar of Jarjata village located in Raidih block of Gumla district of Jharkhand will get GI tag.

Key Points

- Sushant Gaurav, Deputy Commissioner of Gumla District said that the work has been started to give Mandar of Jarjata village a different identity in the whole country. The process of getting GI tag to this mandar has been started, so that this mandar will be recognized in the whole country and Raidih block and Gumla district will also be known as Mandar.
- Deputy Commissioner Sushant Gaurav said that a center will also be set up in the village, where the people of the village will collectively form a group and do the work of making mandars. You will be able to easily sell your handmade mandarin and increase your income.
- It is known that Mandar is an ancient and very popular instrument of Jharkhand. It is played here by people of almost all communities.



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Jharkhand Cabinet approved 35 Proposals

Why in News?

On July 11, 2023, the Jharkhand Cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Hemant Soren passed a resolution to build 4 grid substations in the DVC command area, with a total of 35 proposals agreed upon.

Key Points:

- In the meeting, approval has been given to build a grid sub-station of 220/132/33 KV in the area of transmission under the DVC command area. Under this, administrative approval was given for the construction of Hazaribagh, Gomia and Balliapur and related transmission lines at a total project cost of Rs 579.35 crore.
- The Cabinet also approved the formation of The Jharkhand State Amin Cadre (Recruitment, Promotion and Other Conditions of Service) (Amendment) Rules, 2023, along with the formation of the Netarhat Tourism Development Authority and restructuring of the State Tourism Promotion Committee.
- Apart from these, other important proposals, which were agreed:
 - Jharkhand Cabinet approved the release of detailed guidelines for the implementation of 'Guruji Student Credit Card Scheme' in the state.
 - The Jharkhand State Board of Secondary Education (2nd Amendment) has approved the Assistant Acharya cadre (Appointment, Promotion and Conditions of Service) (Second Amendment) Rules, 2023 for elementary schools.
 - The Cabinet also approved the constitution of the Draft Service Cadre (Recruitment Promotion and Other Conditions of Service) (Amendment) Rules-2023 under the Jharkhand State Settlement Office under the Department of Revenue, Registration and Land Reforms (Directorate of Land Records and Measurements).
 - Approval was given to amend departmental resolution no. 4215 dated 10th July 2010 for grant of compensation to ordinary citizens in lieu of damage to movable and immovable property damaged in terrorist/militant/ethnic attack.

- The Jharkhand Tourist Trade Registration Rules, 2023 were approved under the Jharkhand Tourism Development and Registration Act, 2015.



Inauguration of 'TB Workplace Policy & Corporate Engagement to End TB'

Why in News?

According to the information received from the media on July 12, 2023, under the National Tuberculosis Eradication Program, the state level program of 'TB WorkPlace Policy and Corporate Engagement to End TB' organized in Jharkhand's capital Ranchi was inaugurated.

Key Points:

- In the programme, Health Minister Banna Gupta said that the target has to be achieved by working on time after preparing an action plan to eradicate TB. The target of eradicating TB in the whole world is by the year 2030, while the national target is by the year 2025, while the target of eradicating TB in Jharkhand has been set by December, 2024. So far 57,567 TB patients have been identified in the state.
- The minister said that work is being done to make people aware about TB in all the districts and to make the Panchayat TB free. The representatives of the first 10 TB-free panchayats will be awarded at the state level by the state government, and gold, silver, and bronze medals will be awarded to all TB-free panchayats.

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- For the first time in the country, the state government has come up with a workplace policy for TB, its Comorbidities and Occupational Lung Disease, so that people can campaign to make their work areas TB-free by using the resources available with the state government.
- This is the Unique Employee Lead Model. After the implementation of this policy, people will be able to make their workplace TB free. Also, the mantra of 'TB Harega, Jharkhand Jitega' will be successful.
- Additional Chief Secretary, Health Department, Arun Kumar Singh said that Jharkhand has become the first state in the country to inaugurate TB workplace policy and Corporate Engagement to end TB.
- It is worth mentioning that the main reason for TB is low immunity and not getting good food. The bacteria spreads through the air and affects the lungs.
- Government and non-government organizations were honored in the program for adopting TB patients from different districts of the state as friends and providing them additional nutritional support under the TB-free India campaign.
- The organizations to be honored are Central Coalfields Limited, Bharat Coking Coal Limited, Steel Authority of India Limited, Bokaro (BGH), Uranium Corporation, Rail Vikas Nigam Limited, Adani Power (Jharkhand) Limited, Adhunik Power & Natural Resources Limited, Usha Martin Limited, Jindal Steel and Power Limited, Tata Steel Foundation, Airport Authority of India.



Jharkhand A Statistical Profile 2022

Why In News?

On July 14, 2023, Jharkhand's Finance Minister Dr. Rameshwar Oraon launched a special campaign at Project Bhawan, Ranchi, to achieve 100 percent target of birth-death registration and create widespread public awareness related to registration, and Economics and Statistics Released 'Jharkhand A Statistical Profile 2022' prepared by the Directorate, Jharkhand.

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- This campaign will run from July 14, 2023 to August 14, 2023.
- During this special awareness campaign, a public awareness campaign is being conducted by putting up posters, banners etc. in all the 4962 birth-death registration units of the state, so that the target of 100 percent registration can be achieved.
- In this work, all the declared indicators such as Anganwadi workers, Sahiyas and headmasters of schools have been entrusted with the responsibility of providing birth information form-1 and death information form-2 to the concerned registrar (Birth-Death).
- After checking the information form received from the informants, the registrar will ensure registration of birth and death by completing all the necessary procedures, and then will provide a birth/death certificate to the concerned person.
- The publicity of the campaign will also be done through mobile vehicles.
- In addition to banners, posters at all important places, information and information related to birth-death registration will be broadcast on digital screens.
- The main objective of this program is to achieve 100% registration of births and deaths in the light of the instructions of ORGI, New Delhi.
- It is worth mentioning that this type of special campaign is being organized for the first time in the state, so that all common people can be aware of the importance of birth-death registration and the benefits derived from it.
- Registration of birth and death is very important. Due to its absence, people are facing many problems. There are many such people, whose date of birth has

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been registered in their school etc. That became his birth certificate. Due to this, he retired on the basis of school birth certificate even before he completed 60 years.

- At the same time, such examples are also found in many places where the day of birth of both younger and elder brother and sister is the same. This campaign is being run by the government to solve all these problems.
- It is very important to register death as well as birth. It is useful as an important document in case of getting ancestral property, court case. Along with this, the death certificate also has an important role in the policy of the bank and LIC. The main objective of this one-month-long campaign is to make people aware, so that its goal can be achieved.
- K Ravikumar, Secretary, Education Department, said that the registration of the birth of children in all the schools will be done through this campaign. About 6 lakh young children are enrolled in the state every year. The headmasters of all the schools have been directed in this regard.
- The Election Commission is also running a voter revision campaign from 31st July. In such a situation, the commission will also be able to upgrade the voter list by coordinating with the birth and death registration campaign.
- UNICEF State Head Kaninika Mitra said that registration of births and deaths is mandatory. For this a law was made in 1969. Registration of birth is the right of every child. It is a legal document. People will be benefited by this campaign in the entire state and the government will have solid information about the population of the state.
- On this occasion, Honorable Finance Minister Rameshwar Oraon released 'Jharkhand A Statistical Profile 2022' prepared by the Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Jharkhand.

- Giving information about this book, Director-cum-Additional Chief Registrar (Birth-Death) Rajeev Ranjan said that the data for the financial years 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 have been included in this book.



- In this book, the data related to agricultural statistics, vital statistics, state income, daily wages of agricultural laborers and industrial statistics have been included by the Directorate of Economics and Statistics.
- Apart from this, various departments such as Health, Energy, Roads, Mines, Animal Husbandry, Water Resources, Education, Rural Work, Transport, Rural Development, Tourism, Drinking Water and Sanitation, Social Security, Forest, Cooperative, Panchayati Raj, Commercial Tax, Data related to food supply, employment and information technology have been included.
- An effort has been made by the directorate to include data related to social and economic status in this book.
- There are 28 chapters in this book, in which statistics of different departments have been published. This book will prove useful for planners, researchers, economic and financial policy makers, administrators and economists.



Launch of ' Mukhya Mantri Sarathi Yojana'

Why In News?

On July 15, 2023, Chief Minister Hemant Soren launched 'Mukhya Mantri Sarathi Yojana' to connect talented youth of the state with employment and self-employment by providing free skill training on the occasion of World Youth Skills Day at Aryabhatta Auditorium, Ranchi University.

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- The main objective of this scheme is that the youth of the state can nurture their hidden talent and pave the way for self-reliance through the Birsa Center (Block Level Institute for Rural Skill Acquisition).
- In the first phase (2023-24) of this scheme, the scheme has been launched in 80 blocks of the state. Birsa scheme will be implemented in all the blocks of the state in the coming days.
- Youth of all categories will be able to avail the benefits of the Mukhyamantri Sarathi Yojana free of cost. For this the eligibility has been fixed by the government. Skill training will be provided at the block level for 18-35 year old men/women of general category and up to 50 years of reserved category (ST/SC/OBC) men/women.
- In case successful youth are not employed within three months after training, Rs 1000 will be given to youth and Rs 1500 per month to girls / disabled / transgender for a maximum period of one year through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).
- Along with this, there is a provision to send 1000/- per month through DBT to the trainees of non-residential training from their home to the training center.

Jharkhand Archer Rita Savaiyan Selected for World University Games

Why In News?

On July 15, 2023, according to information received from the media, Rita Savaiya of Turtung Archery Training Center, Sikursai, Chaibasa, West Singhbhum district of Jharkhand was selected in the Indian team for the World University Games.

key points

- Rita Savaiya will represent India at the World University Games to be held in Chengdu, China from 28 July to 8 August.
- It is known that Rita confirmed her place in the team by performing brilliantly in the selection trial held on June 14-15 at KIT University, Bhubaneswar.



- Rita Savaiyan will be taking part in an international tournament for the second time. In March 2018, she won a gold medal for India in the 3rd Asian Archery Championship held in Bangladesh (Dhaka).
- Rita Savaiyan is a resident of Chhota Koyta village in Tantanagar block of West Singhbhum district.
- Presently Rita is practicing at Sonepat National Center of Excellence, Haryana. Also she studies in Gurukashi University Talwandi (Bathinda) Punjab.

Eastern India's largest Open-Air Butterfly Park

Why in News?

On July 16, 2023, Jabbar Singh, director of Bhagwan Birsa Biological Park (Birsa Zoo), informed that Eastern India's largest Open-Air Butterfly Park will soon be opened to the public at Bhagwan Birsa Biological Park (BBBP).

Key Points:

- The park is built on a vast land of 19 acres in the premises of BBBP just opposite the aquarium. The Bhagwan Birsa Biological Park is about 25 km from Ranchi city, which is also known as Birsa Zoo.
- The development work of the first phase of this park, which has been created to provide entertainment as well as educational value to butterfly lovers, is almost complete. The estimated cost of this park is 2 crore rupees.
- The development works in the first phase include a butterfly conservatory, apart from habitat development such as planting of pollen plants, construction of a walkway to the butterfly park, a pond and an entrance gate. Right now some improvements and other works are going on in the park. More features will be added to the park in the coming phases. It will be opened for public viewing in a month or two.
- Jabbar Singh informed that the park has been developed in a lush green area, which will help in making the visitors aware of the importance of butterflies in ecology. Butterflies have an important role in promoting awareness of the growing need for biodiversity in terrestrial ecosystems. The presence of a good number of butterflies is an indicator of a good natural environment.

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- According to wildlife experts, urban areas like Ranchi, Dhanbad and Jamshedpur are polluted by the increasing number of vehicles and industries. The need of the hour is to have thematic parks like the butterfly or ecological parks to reduce the impact of disturbance. The existence of butterflies in the environment as pollinators of plants, food sources for other animals and also plays an important role in scientific discoveries.
- Director Jabbar Singh said that more than 75 species of butterflies are found in Jharkhand. A conducive environment will be created in the park so that butterflies can grow naturally. A covered conservatory has been built in an area of 900 square meters to protect them from birds and any other prey.
- The zoo authority will try to keep most of the species found in Jharkhand such as Twin Coasters, Sergeants, Bush browns, Baronet, Plain Tigers, Lemon Pansy, Common Sailor and others in the park.
- Significantly, the first phase of the park took about six years to complete. The foundation stone of the park was laid by the then chief minister Raghubar Das on June 29, 2017. However, work on the project began three years later in 2020. The implementation of the project was delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Spread over an area of 104 hectares in Ranchi's Ormanjhi area, the organic park houses around 1,450 animals of 83 species of mammals, reptiles and birds.



President Draupadi Murmu awarded 'Bhoomi Samman 2023' to 9 Districts of Jharkhand

Why in News?

On July 18, 2023, President Smt. Draupadi Murmu honoured nine districts of Jharkhand with 'Bhoomi Samman- 2023' for better digitization of the right of record of land-related documents in a program organized at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.

Key Points:

- President Smt. Draupadi Murmu presented awards to 9 state secretaries and 68 collectors under the Digital India Land Records Modernization Program (DILRMP) at a felicitation function organized by the Union Ministry of Rural Development.
- 9 districts of Jharkhand were selected for Bhoomi Samman 2023. Under this, Gumla, Lohardaga, Simdega, Chatra, Giridih, Khunti, Seraikela-Kharsawan, West Singhbhum and Dumka districts have got this honour.
- The award was received by the concerned Additional Collector and other Revenue Officers from the hands of the President on behalf of the district team under the leadership of the DCs of these districts. On the other hand, the award was received on behalf of the state by Uma Shankar Singh, Director of Land Acquisition, Land Records and Measurement and Shahab Siddiqui, Joint Inspector General of Registration under the leadership of Amitabh Kaushal, Secretary, Department of Revenue, Registration and Land Reforms.
- Gumla DC Sushant Gaurav was honoured with Bhoomi Samman. Digitization of more than 99 percent right off records like sale deeds, Khatian and other land-related documents has been done in the district. This year was the second golden opportunity for Gumla district when the district got the award at the national level. Prior to this, Gumla district has also received the country's prestigious PM Award.
- Seraikela-Kharsawan Deputy Commissioner Arva Rajkamal was awarded the Bhoomi Samman 2023. In the district too, all land-related work has been done online, due to which the Deputy Commissioner and the team were awarded Bhoomi Samman-2023 Platinum Certificate for their excellent performance in the campaign for land record reform.

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- Apart from this, the President awarded the Bhoomi Samman 2023 Platinum Certificate to Khunti Deputy Commissioner Shashi Ranjan and the team for their excellent performance in the campaign for land record reform. Khunti has been awarded on six different points.
- Dr. Waghmare Prasad Krishna, DC of Lohardaga district was awarded Bhoomi Samman 2023 for achieving 100% completion in Digital India Land Records Modernization Program (DILRMP).
- It is worth mentioning that under the Digital India Land Records Modernization Program (DILRMP), Bhoomi Samman is given to those who have done excellent work in the field of modernization, proper conservation and efficient management of land records. Under this, the process of digitization of land records is going on in 766 districts of 28 states or union territories of the country. Platinum grading certificate is given to the outstanding districts as Bhoomi Samman.
- It is known that the Digital India Land Records Management Program has been run by the Department of Land Resources from the year 2008-9 with 100 percent funding from the Central Government. The main objective of this program is to develop a modern, detailed and transparent land records management system for the convenience of the citizens.
- Monthly grading system has been implemented on the basis of the data entered by them on the MIS of the program to reward the districts doing good work under the program from January 2022 onwards. It offers Silver from 90% to 95%, Gold from 95% to 99% and Platinum grade at work efficiency above 99%.



Vision Document of Sustainable Just Transition released

Why in News?

On July 19, 2023, in Ranchi, the capital of Jharkhand, in a program organized by SEED under the joint auspices of the Forest Department and Jharkhand State Pollution Control Council, Chief Secretary of the state Sukhdev Singh released the vision document 'Nav-Nirman ki ore Agrasar' related to the outline of Sustainable Just Transition.

Key Points:

- In the program, to prevent the growing crisis of climate change in the country, it has been said to achieve the net-zero goal of Vision 2070, in which the role of the task force will be important.
- It is known that since November 2022, Jharkhand is the first state in the country to constitute a 'Task Force' in this direction.
- The Chief Secretary said that the Sustainable Just Transition Task Force is important not only for the state but also for India's ambitious goals related to climate change and walking on the path of the green economy.
- A convergence approach and comprehensive vision is very important in national and state-level efforts for better results towards a carbon-neutral and climate-friendly economy.
- There is a target to generate power through renewable energy in Jharkhand, in which solar energy, hydrogen

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energy etc. will be important sources. Lakhs of people in the state derive their livelihood from the coal & thermal power plants and their associated local economy, small-scale industries & the unorganized sector.

- Union Coal Secretary Amrit Lal Meena told an online medium in the program that the Central Government has taken steps towards achieving the goal of Net-Zero of Vision 2070. Jharkhand has set an exemplary example in front of other states in setting strategies for sustainable transition. The vision document is a far-reaching and commendable effort of the state government and the task force.
- A sustainable energy transition is essential for minimum carbon emissions. Coal will continue to play an important role in future energy needs and in accelerating the energy transition.
- Union Coal Secretary said that this vision document is guided by the goals of carbon emission-free economy and sustainable development in the country, which has been prepared through inter-departmental meetings, national and state consultations and the participation of all stakeholders.
- This vision document has been prepared through the study and analysis of renowned research partners and best practices of the country and the world under an inclusive and participatory process.
- Eight areas have been given special attention to develop the transition roadmap as a priority, including Livelihood Transition, Energy Transition, Decarbonization Pathway, Coal Transition, Sustainable Mobility Transition, Green Hydrogen, Investment and Finance and Institutional Change.
- This vision emphasizes on achieving environmental, social and economic aspirations in the state in line with the climate and net-zero goals.
- Emphasizing the need for a convergence approach in the process of sustainable transition, SEED CEO Ramapati Kumar said that this is a historic and visionary step, as for the first time in the country a state has presented a vision document on sustainable transition. It provides a broad outline of climate governance in the state.
- This initiative of the state government will strengthen the national and global efforts for climate solutions. Inter-departmental convergence is essential for a climate-resilient and future-ready economy.



Jamshedpur has the Best Quality of Life in the country

Why in News?

According to information received from the media on July 20, 2023, AC Nielsen's survey has revealed that the quality of life of the people of Jamshedpur city of Jharkhand is the best in the country.

Key Points:

- According to information, six cities of the country - Jamshedpur, Navi Mumbai, Noida, Chandigarh, Vadodara and Indore were included in AC Nielsen's survey, in which Jamshedpur topped with 104.7 points.
- Jamshedpur got 100.7 marks in the year 2022, which has improved this year. The city has got 4 points more.
- Rituraj Sinha, managing director of Tata Steel UISL (formerly Jusco), said the company would spend around Rs 300 crore to develop the city and improve its services. Services will be expanded with this amount.
- It is known that Tata Steel UISL Jamshedpur conducts this survey every year. This survey is being done since the year 2010.
- Small plants are being set up at 10 places for sewerage treatment in the city. A new plan has been prepared for waste disposal.

Ranking of Cities	
Cities	Score
Jamshedpur	104.7
Navi Mumbai	103.4
	102.3

Note:

Chandigarh	97.9
Vadodara	96.5
Indore	95.1

Jharkhand Govt. will bring Anti-Copying Law

Why in News?

According to information received from the media on July 23, 2023, the Jharkhand government is enacting an 'Anti-Copying Law' to prevent incidents of paper leaks and copying (malpractices) in competitive examinations. The proposal for law-making has been prepared on the lines of Rajasthan, Gujarat and Uttarakhand. This proposal can be approved in the upcoming cabinet meeting.

Key Points:

- According to the proposal, those found guilty of leaking the paper can be punished with imprisonment of up to 10 years and a fine of up to Rs 1 crore.
- If found guilty of cheating in examinations, the concerned student is also being punished with imprisonment of up to three years. The guilty student can also be fined up to Rs 1 lakh and banned from appearing in examinations for the next two years.
- It is known that at present 'Jharkhand Exam Conduct Rule-2001' is in force in the state. Under this, there is a provision for minor penalties for paper leaks and cheating in examinations. The maximum punishment for the offender is six months in jail and a fine of up to Rs 3,000.
- Once the new law is approved by the Assembly, any printing press, service provider, coaching institute or management found guilty of cheating or leaking question papers will not only be punished with imprisonment of up to 10 years and a fine of up to Rs 1 crore, but their property will also be confiscated.
- The anti-counterfeiting law was passed in 1992 by the then Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Kalyan Singh and education minister Rajnath Singh.
- The law aims to curb the practice of mass cheating in school and university examinations in the state.
- The Act made the use of unfair means in examinations a serious offence and was non-bailable and allegedly allowed the police to enter the examination premises to carry out investigations. However, in 1993 the

Samajwadi Party and Bahujan Samaj Party governments cancelled it the following year.

Important Decisions Taken in the Jharkhand Council of Ministers Meeting

Why In News?

On July 25, 2023, several important decisions were taken along with the approval of the **Jharkhand Export Policy-2023** in the meeting of the **Council of Ministers** held at the **Ministry of Jharkhand**.

Key Points:

- **Important decisions of the Council of Ministers: -**
 - Approval was given to make provision for a nominated director in the board of directors of **Jharkhand Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited**.
 - **Jharkhand Cooperative Auditor** (Recruitment, Promotion and Service Condition) Cadre Rules, 2014 (Effective 24/10/2014) as per Chapter-3 Direct Recruitment Rule-9 (a) of First Amended Rules 2021, approval was given for amendment in minimum educational qualification.
 - Jharkhand Child Development Service Non-Gazetted Staff Recruitment and Service Condition (Amendment) Rules-2023 was approved.
 - Approval was given to allow the facility of maternity leave to the employees appointed and working on contract basis.
 - Approval was given for regularization of service of irregularly appointed and working personnel under the Finance Department, Government of Jharkhand.
 - Approval was given to provide benefits of the health insurance scheme to state employees/retired employees.
 - Under the Centrally Sponsored Revised Mission Vatsalya Yojana, new rates of maintenance items were approved for the children residing in childcare institutions.
 - Approval was given for the implementation of centrally sponsored '**Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana**' in its modified form under **Mission Shakti**.

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- Approval was given to amend the implementation guidelines and implementation rate of various items under the Anganwadi services operated under the Centrally Sponsored Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Nutrition 2.0.
- Approval was given to amend the guidelines for the implementation of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Adolescent Girls & SAG.
- Under the centrally sponsored scheme **Atal Renewal and Urban Transformation Mission 2.0 (AMRUT 2.0)**, administrative approval was given to the **Mahagama Urban Water Supply Project**, which received technical approval at a cost of Rs 8301.21 lakh.
- Approval was given to provide medical aid grants through Jharkhand State Arogya Society to the beneficiaries of the Chief Minister's Critical Illness Treatment Scheme.
- Under the suggestion and framework received by the Department of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Government of India, approval was given to set up State Water Informatics Center (SWIC) under the state of Jharkhand as a dedicated organization for coordination, collection, dissemination of data related to the water resources of the state and to bring the water data of all the departments under the state on a single platform.
- Approval was given for the formation of the Jharkhand Ophthalmic Assistant Cadre (Appointment, Promotion and Service Conditions) Rules, 2023 under the Department of Health, Medical Education and Family Welfare.
- In the light of the amendments made by the Central Government in the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017, the Council of Ministers approved the introduction of the Jharkhand Goods and Services Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2023 in the monsoon session of the Jharkhand Legislative Assembly to make corresponding amendments in the Jharkhand Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017.
- Approval was given for the promulgation of the Jharkhand Competitive Examination (Prevention and Redressal of Unfair Means in Recruitment) Act, 2023.
- The Jharkhand University of Health Sciences Bill, 2023 was approved.

The Chief Minister Felicitated 24 Newly Promoted State Police Service Officers in the Indian Police Service (IPS) with a Batch

Why In News?

On July 24, 2023, Chief Minister Hemant Soren felicitated 24 police officers of the newly promoted State Police Service in the Indian Police Service (IPS) by putting badges in the piping ceremony program organized in the auditorium of the Ministry of Jharkhand.

Key Points::

- It is known that for the first time in Jharkhand, 24 state police service officers have been promoted to IPS simultaneously.
- Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister said that among the 24 officers promoted to the Indian Police Service, Sarojini Lakda and Amelda Ekka are two such women officers who have come a long way from being mere constables to becoming IPS officers.
- The journey of these two women IPS officers will prove to be a source of inspiration and a milestone for the state police personnel.
- The Chief Minister said that about 158 posts of IPS have been fixed in the state, out of which 110 posts are recruited directly from UPSC, while on 48 posts the officers of the State Police Service are promoted and join the IPS service.
- Newly promoted Indian Police Service officers who were honored with badges by Chief Minister Hemant Soren include Sarojini Lakra, Emelda Ekka, Sadiq Anwar Rizvi, Arvind Kumar Singh, Vikas Kumar Pandey and Vijay Ashish Kujur (all 2017 batch), Deepak Kumar Sharma, Rajkumar Mehta, Shambhu Kumar Singh, Ajay Kumar Sinha, Anudeep Singh, Puja Prakash, Sahdev Saw, Amit Kumar Singh, Ajit Kumar, Mukesh Kumar, Deepak Kumar Pandey and Animesh Naithani (all batch 2019), Ajay Kumar, Arif Ekram, Dr. Vimal Kumar, Manish Toppo, Kailash Karmali and Pitambar Singh Kherwar (All Batch 2020).

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Jharkhand Panchayati Raj Department Published Draft of PESA Rules

Why in News?

According to information received from the media on July 26, 2023, the Jharkhand Panchayati Raj Department has published the provisional draft of the **Jharkhand Panchayat Provisions (Extension to Scheduled Areas) (PESA) Rules-2022**.

key points

- Its draft has been published using the power conferred by **sub-section-1 of section-131** of the Jharkhand Panchayat Raj Act-2001. In this way, opinions will now be taken from the common people. After that, the department will finally publish the final draft.
- In the draft which has just been published, detailed rules have been laid down regarding the functioning of Panchayats. The name of this manual has been given as '**Jharkhand Panchayat Provisions Extension Manual on Scheduled Areas-2022**'.

- In this, the secretary will mean the panchayat secretary of the gram panchayat. Gram Sabha President shall mean Village Head, Gram Sabha President, Manjhi Munda, Manki, Doklo, Sohor, Panch Parganait, Padha Raja, Pahan, Mahato. The executive committee of the gram panchayat will be the elected head and ward member at the gram panchayat level.
- Forest land, minor water bodies, minor minerals, intoxicants, and natural resources have been defined in this manual. The rights and operations of the Gram Sabha have been fixed on it. Along with this, the formation of the Gram Sabha and the structure of the village has been mentioned in detail.
- The functions of the permanent committees of Gram Sabha such as the Village Development Committee, Public Property Committee, Agriculture Committee, Health Committee, Village Defense Committee, Infrastructure Committee, Education and Social Justice Committee, and Monitoring Committee have been explained.
- Along with management of community resources, conservation of traditions and settlement of disputes, hearing of disputes in Gram Sabha, and determination of punishment by Gram Sabha, the appellate authority on the decision of Gram Sabha have also been included in detail.
- Apart from these, approval of the development plan, identification of beneficiaries and control over the works of social sector institutions have also been mentioned point-wise.
- Monitoring of programs by Gram Sabha, implementation of decisions of Gram Sabha, planning by Gram Sabha, identification of beneficiaries, monitoring of social sector institutions, social audit by Gram Sabha, utilization of funds by Gram Sabha and its attestation have also been included.
- It has also been included in the manual that all persons shall have equal rights to fish in the natural water resources under the village area. There will be no endowment of such water resources with any particular person or organization under government provisions.
- Gram Sabhas will be able to make plans for minor minerals like soil, stone, sand, moram etc. and use them. The Gram Sabha will be the operator of the sand ghat or can use it for local needs at its own level. The revenue received from this will be deposited in the fund of the Gram Sabha.

Note:

- The Gram Sabha will also ensure that no mining is done in the Sand Ghat with JCB or any other machine. There will also be a ban on sand mining and lifting during the monsoon period.
- No mining lease or opencast mining permit for minor minerals will be issued without prior consultation with the gram sabha or panchayat related to the scheduled areas. Priority will be given to the Scheduled Tribes Cooperation Committee for its approval. The Mineral Department will have to take the recommendation of the Gram Sabha before allowing commercial use of minor minerals.
- The gram sabha will decide the royalty on minor forest produce. Certain rights and regulations have also been fixed by the Gram Sabha regarding the return and transfer of land. Market management will also be done with the help of Gram Panchayat.

'Mukhyamantri Gram Gadi Yojana' in Deoghar

Why in News?

On July 27, 2023, according to the information received from the media, departmental preparations intensified to bring the 'Mukhyamantri Gram Gadi Yojana' on the ground to connect the rural areas of Deoghar district with the cities.

Key Points:

- Under this scheme, 22 to 42 seater buses will ply every day from rural routes to the city headquarters under 149 panchayats of the district.
- These buses will travel a total distance of 1533 kilometers daily by combining different routes every day. After fixing the route of their respective panchayats from all the blocks, its list has been handed over to the Transport Department. Now the proposal will be sent to the state headquarters after taking a final decision on this in a meeting chaired by the DC.
- After the launch of this scheme, it will be easier for the people of rural areas to come to the city. This will not only provide employment to the people, the villagers will also get the benefit of transport facilities under the scheme.

- Senior citizens of the state, recognized agitators of the state will be eligible to apply. Along with this, people going to and from the city for taking their produce to the market and for education and medical treatment will also be eligible.



Fellowship to 4 Women from Jharkhand including Neelam Nirad

Why in News?

On July 27, 2023, according to the information received from the media, four cultural workers of Jharkhand, including Jadopatiya painter Neelam Nirad, received the Fellowship Award for the year 2020-21 from the Ministry of Culture, Government of India.

Key Points:

- Three cultural workers from Jharkhand, including Jadopatiya painter Neelam Nirad, have received the Senior Fellowship Award for the year 2020-21, while an artist from the state has been selected for the Junior Fellowship Award for the same year.
- It is a great coincidence that all the four names from Jharkhand who have been selected for the Senior and Junior Fellowship Awards for this year are women.
- Dumka's Neelam Nirad has been selected for tribal painting, Ranchi's Seema Devi for folk songs and Ranchi's Monita Sinha for theatre and Akanksha Priyadshirni of Bokaro for the junior fellowship award for Chhau dance.

Note:

- This fellowship award is given to distinguished art-seekers doing excellent work in the field of culture, which is selected at the national level. This fellowship is available for two years, which has a provision for an extension of six months as per the scheme.
- Neelam Nirad is an eminent artist of tribal Jadopatiya painting. His works have been appreciated in national painting exhibitions. She has also been honoured.
- Jadopatiya's painting is related to the Santhal tribe. Pictures of this style are made on vertical scrolls of paper and cloth. Each panel has a different subject and there are 16 to 32 pictures on one panel. These are made with natural colours and the traditional artist sings a song while showing it, describing the story of the paintings.

- Neelam Neerad is furthering this painting style by learning from its hereditary artists and has also done many experiments in it.



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