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'Prakritika' Terrace Garden

Why in News

- Recently, the terrace garden 'Prakritika' was inaugurated at Vallabh Bhawan, Madhya Pradesh.

Key Point

- **Developed by:** Madhya Pradesh Institute of Water and Land Management, Bhopal in an eco-friendly method.
- Various medicinal, aromatic and forest species have been selected and planted for eco-friendly beautification.
- It has been depicted by Mandana and line art to create the background of the cultural environment. Hanging plants have also been installed at various places to make the atmosphere of the terrace garden more beautiful.
- WALMI institute has used the 'WALMI Early Forest Development Method'. In this method, the work of developing natural greenery and beautification on the concrete surface has been done by using the concept and technique of guaranteeing dense forest in one year.
- This technique is completely organic, in which beds of one-meter depth have been prepared by mixing different types of organic materials, such as paddy straw, para, dung manure, Jeevamrut, Ghan Jeevamrut, Vermicompost etc. with soil.

National Youth Award

Why in News

- Recently, **Shubham Chauhan from Bhopal** was selected for the 'Rashtriya Yuva Puraskar' 2018-19 by the Government of India for youth activities.

Key point

- He will be awarded at a ceremony on the occasion of the **International Youth Day, on August 12, 2021.**
- This award is **given every year by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports**, Government of India for their outstanding activities for nation-building.
- Shubham Chauhan led the team from Madhya Pradesh in the **National Integration Camp** organized by the Government of India in Jammu and Kashmir in March 2020, after the abrogation of Article 370 in Jammu and Kashmir.

- Similarly, Madhya Pradesh has partnered with **Nagaland and Manipur** under **Ek Bharat-Shreshtha Bharat Yojana** to strengthen cultural relations between them.

Earth Natwest Group Earth Heroes Award: Satpura Tiger Reserve

Why in News

- On July 28 2021, **Satpura Tiger Reserve in Madhya Pradesh** received the **NatWest Group Earth Heroes Award** in the Earth Guardian category for best management.
 - It is noteworthy that the **Satpura Tiger Reserve** has also been included in the **potential list of World Heritage.**

Key Points

- **About:**
 - Satpura Tiger Reserve in the **Hoshangabad district** is spread over an area of 2130 square kilometers. It is part of the Deccan Bio-Geographic Region.
 - It was **established in 2000** and is located south of **Narmada River.**
 - Satpura tiger reserve comprises of three protected areas namely:
 - Satpura National Park,
 - Bori Sanctuary, and
 - Pachmarhi Sanctuary.
- **Denwa River:** Denwa river is the main water source of the park. It originates from south-eastern part of the Hoshangabad district in Madhya Pradesh and flows from east to west direction before joining the Tawa river at the south of Ranipur.
- **Diversity:** These forest enclaves provide habitat for several endangered species, including the Tiger. Other prime species found here are Black Buck, Leopard, Dhole, Indian Gaur, Malabar Giant Squirrel, Sloth Bear.
- **Avian Fauna:** More than 300 species of birds can be seen which include Malabar Pied Hornbill, Malabar Whistling Thrush and the State Bird of Madhya Pradesh Paradise Flycatcher along with many migratory birds like Indian Skimmers, Black-bellied tern, Bar-headed Geese, etc.

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- **Flora:** The 26 species of flora found in the Himalayan region and 42 species found in the Nilgiri forests are also found abundantly in the Satpura forest area. That is why it is also named the Northern Ghats like the vast Western Ghats.
- **Archaeological Significance:** Presence of more than 50 rock shelters with paintings which are 1500 to 10,000 years old. Some of them have very rare depictions of elephants, lions, tigers, porcupines, and pangolins.

'Area Officer App' and 'Mobile Monitoring System App'

Why in News

- On July 30, 2021, the use of **two new mobile apps 'Area Officer App' and 'Mobile Monitoring System App'** was started for **effective implementation of MGNREGA scheme in Madhya Pradesh.**

Key Point

- Through these apps, the **inspections done** by the officials and the attendance of wages made by the **laborer will be recorded online.**
- **Notes on the quality and usefulness of MGNREGA works** at the time of **checks/visits** by concerned officers will be **uploaded along with geo-tagged photos** from the workplace through the **'Area Officer App'.**
- Similarly, the attendance of workers engaged on works under MGNREGA will be taken through **'Mobile Monitoring System App'** instead of recording them on paper.
- The attendance of the recorded workers from the workplace every day will be available on the MGNREGA portal along with geo-tagged photographs, which will ensure transparency in the implementation of MGNREGA works.

Ultra High Pressure Power Substation

Why in News

- On July 30, 2021, Madhya Pradesh Power Transmission Company energized the 400th ultra high pressure sub-station of the state at Ghansor, Tehsil headquarter of Seoni district.

Key Point

- Madhya Pradesh Power Transmission Company has set up a new 132 kV ultra high pressure substation at Ghansor in Seoni district. Apart from this, 14 sub-stations of 400 KV and 84 sub-stations of 220 KV are functional in the state.
- With the commissioning of the ultra high pressure sub-station, continuous electricity will be provided to about 21 thousand consumers of 350 villages situated amidst dense forests and difficult geographical conditions in the tribal area of Ghansor.
- This will be the fourth ultra high pressure sub station in Seoni district. Earlier, electricity was supplied to the district from 220 KV sub-station Seoni, 132 KV sub-station Seoni and 132 KV Lakhnadaun.

Panna Tiger Reserve

Why in News

- On July 30, 2021, **Panna Tiger Reserve** was awarded the **Conservation Assured Tiger Standards (CAITS) certificate** by the **National Tiger Conservation Authority** for meeting the established international standards for tiger conservation and management.

Key Points

- Panna National Park was established in 1981. It has a geographical extension in the districts of Panna and Chhatarpur. It is spread over an area of about 543 square kilometers.
- This national park was declared a Project Tiger Reserve in the year 1994 by the Central Government.
- UNESCO designated the Panna Tiger Reserve as a Biosphere Reserve on August 25, 2011.
- Madhya Pradesh is considered not only that of the country, but the **world's Tiger Capital.** The management of Kanha and Panch Tiger Reserves has been recognized as the best in the country.

Madhya Pradesh Excise Act (Amendment) Bill, 2021

Why in News

- On August 3, 2021, Madhya Pradesh Excise Act (Amendment) Bill, 2021 was approved to increase the

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fine and penalty imposed on various types of crimes with a view to **discourage excise-related offenses in Madhya Pradesh.**

Key Points

- In this, there is a provision for punishment mainly for offenses related to **spurious liquor under Section 49 (A).**
- If a person dies due to the consumption of spurious liquor, then a provision has been made for **life imprisonment or death penalty** and a **minimum fine of Rs 20 lakh.**
- The amendment bill provides for physical damage caused by consumption of adulterated liquor unfit for human use, imprisonment of a minimum of 2 years and a maximum of 8 years besides a fine of up to Rs 2 lakh for the first time and a minimum of 10 years and a maximum of 14 years imprisonment and a minimum fine up to Rs 10 lakh for the second time.
- Similarly, for the detection of adulterated liquor unfit for human consumption, imprisonment for a minimum period of 6 months and maximum of 6 years and fine up to Rs 1 lakh in the first instance and minimum 6 years and maximum 10 years imprisonment for the second offense. A provision has been made for a fine of up to Rs 5 lakh.
- Any person who poses obstruction in duty or is guilty of assault under the Act may be arrested by any Excise Officer.
- In order to bring **Mahua based liquor** into the mainstream in Madhya Pradesh, it has been decided to give it the **status of heritage (traditional) liquor.** Rules will be set by the department for its controlled manufacture and sale. This will encourage small-scale industries of Mahua based liquor. The rights of the tribals already provided in the Act will be preserved as they are.

Gobar Dhan Yojana

Why in News

- Recently the Panchayat and Rural Development Department of Madhya Pradesh has set a target to set up 9500 biogas plants in the year 2021-22 under the Swachh Bharat Mission in 2549 schools preparing mid-day meals for more than 200 students under the mid-day meal program in the state.

Key Points

- Under this, community, group and individual biogas plants will be set up as per the need and demand to reduce the dependence on conventional fuels for cooking.
- It is noteworthy that under the second phase of the Swachh Bharat Mission, work is being done for cleanliness on a large scale. Efforts are also being made to make the kitchen clean and smoke-free for cooking.
- In this sequence, a biogas plant is being constructed under the Galvanizing Organic Bio-Agro Resources (Gobar Dhan) project.
- Efforts are being made to set up 20 to 25 mass biogas plants in at least one cowshed and between 5 and 10 households in each district due to the closure of schools during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Efforts are also being made for public participation and social behavior change to promote biogas plants.
- It is noteworthy that on May 12, 2018, the then Union Minister for Drinking Water and Sanitation Uma Bharti and Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan launched the GOBAR Dhan Yojana (GOBARdhan: Galvanizing Organic Bio Agro Resources) at the National Sanitation Conference held in Bhopal.

Cradle of Leadership

Why in News

- On August 9, 2021, The film 'Cradle of Leadership', showcasing the valor of the Indian Army, was screened at **Shaurya Smarak in Bhopal.**

Key Points

- The film was screened under the regular film screening held every day at the open-air auditorium of Shaurya Smarak.
- Produced by Films Division of India Musheer Ahmed and directed by Krishna Kumar Garg, the movie showcases the **life of cadets at National Defence Academy.**
- From recruitment to training each and everything was showcased in the film.
- It is to be noted that the National Defence Academy (NDA) is the Joint Services academy of the Indian Armed Forces, where cadets of the three services, the Army, the Navy and the Air Force train together

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before they go on to their respective service academies for further pre-commissioning training.

- The NDA is located at **Khadakwasla** near Pune, Maharashtra. It is the first **Tri-service** academy in the world.

Indore: First Water Plus City of the Country

Why in news

- Indore, which has been **ranked number one in cleanliness four times** in the country, has been declared as the **country's first 'water plus city'** in the results of Swachh Survekshan, 2021 released by the Government of India on August 11, 2021.

Key points

- In order to go to the micro level in the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, the Ministry has included Water Plus with cleanliness. Its main objective is to clean the water bodies, rivers and ponds in the cities, so that only clean and rainwater flows in the rivers and streams and sewerage water can be reused.
- 84 cities of the country had applied in the selection process of Water Plus, out of which only 33 cities were found suitable for ground verification.
- Under the **Swachh Bharat Mission (Urban)**, the cities of the country are tested on the basis of various cleanliness parameters. It has categories of **ODF+**, **ODF++** and **Water+**.
- The Water Plus certificate is awarded to cities that have met all the ODF Double Plus standards. Also, the residual sewage from residential and commercial establishments is released into the environment only after treatment. Reuse of treated wastewater should also be ensured.
- As per the guidelines of Water Plus Protocol of Swachh Survekshan, Indore Municipal Corporation has tapped 1746 public and 5624 domestic sewers in 25 small and big drains and the Kanh and Saraswati rivers of the city were made free from sewer lines.
- The Swachh Survekshan is an annual survey of cleanliness and sanitation in cities and towns across the country as part of the '**Swachh Bharat Mission**'.

Olympic Hockey Player Vivek Sagar

Why in News

- On August 12, 2021, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan honored Olympic hockey player Vivek Sagar at Minto Hall, Bhopal.

Key Points

- Vivek Sagar, a member of the Indian hockey team, scored a goal against Argentina in the Tokyo Olympics 2020, as a result of which the Indian team could reach the quarter-finals and later the semi-finals.
- Vivek Sagar has been given the post of DSP and an amount of one crore rupees by the Madhya Pradesh government.
- Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan had announced a grant of Rs 31-31 lakh from the Madhya Pradesh government to the players of the Indian women's hockey team, which went to the Tokyo Olympics this week. Players trained at the Madhya Pradesh Women's Hockey Academy also represented India at the Rio Olympics ahead of the Tokyo Olympics.
- Indian hockey team coach Ashok Kumar, assistant coach Shivendra Singh were also honored on the occasion.
- Vivek Sagar, a resident of Shivanagar Chandaun village of Hoshangabad district, represented the Indian team in international competitions like Four Nations Tournament, Commonwealth Games, Champion Trophy, Youth Olympics, New Zealand Test Series, Asian Games in the year 2018 and Azlan Shah Hockey Tournament, Australia Test Series and Final Series Bhubaneswar in 2019.
- Midfielder hockey player Vivek Sagar, who was part of the Indian team that won India a bronze medal in Asiad 2018, has played 62 international matches. Vivek Sagar was also honored with the '**Eklavya Award**' by the **Madhya Pradesh government** in the year 2018.

Go-Buffalo Fertile Artificial Insemination Program

Why in News

- On August 12, 2021, Madhya Pradesh has been sanctioned the highest amount of more than Rs 63 crore

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43 lakh in the country for excellent implementation in the second phase of the **nationwide artificial insemination program by the Government of India**.

Key Points

- Out of the sanctioned amount for 14 states of the country, Madhya Pradesh has got the maximum amount due to artificial insemination of 17 lakh 55 thousand against the target of 50 thousand bovine cattle in the second phase of the nationwide artificial insemination program.
- The second phase of the program was completed from August 1, 2020 to July 31, 2021 in all the districts of the state. In this, the target of artificial insemination was in 500 villages in 50 thousand cow-buffalo cattle.
- In this program, the **third phase of the nationwide artificial insemination program (NAIP-III)** will start from August 1, 2021 in all the districts of the state till May 31, 2022, the villages which were deprived in the first and second phase of the program will be covered in the third phase.
- The first phase of the scheme was implemented from September 15, 2019 to May 31, 2020 and the second phase from August 1, 2020 to July 31, 2021. In the first phase of the program 8 lakh 10 thousand and in the second phase 17 lakh 55 thousand artificial inseminations were done till July 31, 2021.
- In the third phase, a target of artificial insemination has been set in 17 lakh 24 thousand animals (51.70 lakh) in all the districts of the state.

National Youth Award

Why in News

- On August 12, 2021, Union Youth and Sports Minister Anurag Thakur honored **Shubham Chauhan** of Raisen and **Himanshu Kumar Gupta** of Jabalpur with the National Youth Award at the National Youth Awards program organized at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi on **International Youth Day**.

Key Point

- This award carries a medal, a certificate and a cash amount of Rs. 1 lakh. A total of 14 awards were given for the National Youth Award for the year 2017-18 and 8 for the year 2018-19.

- Himanshu Kumar Gupta of Jabalpur has received this award for his outstanding services towards the community for the year 2017-18. He has done remarkable work in projects related to women empowerment, voice recording of books for visually impaired people and recycling of flowers through insect processing.
- He has also been honored with the Gram Mitra Samman at the New India Conclave.
- Shubham Chauhan of Raisen has been awarded for his outstanding services to the community for the year 2018-19. He demonstrated leadership ability in programs like cleanliness campaign, voting awareness program, tree plantation campaign, blood donation camp, health awareness program, making rural areas open defecation free, youth exchange program, women empowerment etc.
- The main objective of the awards is to motivate young persons to achieve excellence in the field of national development and social service, to encourage young people to develop a sense of responsibility to the community .

Smartcities

Awards Contest, 2020

Why in News

- In the **India Smart City Awards Contest, 2020** announced by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India on August 13, 2021, **Indore** has got overall first place, 5 smart cities of the state bagged 11 awards and Madhya Pradesh stood at second place in the category of states.

Key Point

- **Built Environment Theme** : Indore bagged first position for 56 shop projects.
- **Sanitation Theme** : Indore, along with Tirupati city, bagged the first position in the Municipal Waste Management System theme.
- **Culture Theme** : Indore got first place for Conservation of Built Heritage and Gwalior got third place for Digital Museum.
- **Economy Theme** : Indore got the first position for Carbon Credit Financing Mechanism.
- **Urban Environment Theme** : Bhopal bags first position for Clean Energy with Chennai.

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- **Innovation Idea Award Theme:** Indore bagged the first position for the Carbon Credit Financing Mechanism.
- Indore got first place and Jabalpur got third place in Round 1 Cities. Sagar got second place in Round 3 Cities.
- It is worth mentioning that under the **Smart City Mission** in the state, 567 projects worth Rs 6,566 crore 70 lakh have been made in 7 smart cities. Of these, 273 projects worth Rs 1,577 crore have been completed.
- The seventy-five project worth Rs 939 crores in Bhopal, 161 in Indore worth Rs 942 crores, 99 in Jabalpur worth Rs 940 crores, 49 in Gwalior worth Rs 926 crores, 60 in Ujjain worth Rs 940 crores, 69 in Sagar worth Rs 964 crores and 54 projects worth Rs 914 crores in Satna are in process.

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President's Police Medal

Why in News

- On August 15, 2021, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan honored 59 policemen of Madhya Pradesh with President's medals at the 75th Independence Day function held at Lal Parade Ground.

Key Points

- Nine officers of the state have received the President's Police Medal for distinguished service. Priyadarshan Srivastava, Sub-jail Superintendent, Bhopal received the President's Vishisht Seva Medal. Apart from this, President's Vishisht Seva Medal for Nagar Sena and Civil Defense was received by Vikram Singh Malviya, District Fighter Shajapur, Umesh Kumar Tiwari, Company Commander Nagar Sena Bhopal and Imdar Ali, Assistant Sub-Inspector Agar-Malwa.
- Along with this, 35 policemen of the state were given the President's Police Medal and 11 from the Jail Department and 4 other policemen got the Meritorious Service Medal.

Tulsi Jayanti

Why in News

- On the occasion of **Tulsi Jayanti**, a two-day program focused on devotional music, dance and dialogue was organized by the **Culture Department of Madhya Pradesh** on August 14-15, 2021.

Key Points

- It is being organised by Tribal Folk Arts and Language Development Academy at Tulsi Shodh Sansthan-Chitrakoot by the Government of Madhya Pradesh, Culture Department.

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- The programme began with 'Bhakti Sangeet' by Deepti Gedam Parmar and group, Bhopal and 'Lecture' focused on Hanuman's devotion by Acharya Mithila Prasad Tripathi, Indore.
- Deepti started her early education in music from the age of four from her father Prakash Gedam and teacher Inda Gedam. At present, she is receiving special training in khayal singing and thumri, tappa, Dadra, chaturanga, trivat from famous singer Pt. Sajjanlal Brahmabhatt Rasrang of Gwalior gharana.
- Deepti received a gold medal in classical music (Hindustani singing) at the 12th **National Youth Festival**, Pune, held in 2007. She has given successful presentations in many prestigious forums of the country. Presently she is 'B' high grade artist of Akashvani- Doordarshan Bhopal.

Madhya Pradesh Rashtra- bhasha Prachar Samiti

Why in News

- On August 14, 2021, the **Madhya Pradesh Rashtrabhasha Prachar Samiti** organized an annual award ceremony, 2020, to honor writers for their outstanding work in literature.

Key Points

- In this program, litterateurs were honored in various categories under **Akhil Bharatiya Samman 2020**, **Regional Award 2020** and **Local Award, 2020**.
- Along with this, Books of Mahabharata in Indian languages written by Prabhakar Shrotriya, Bhekar Moti by Shankarsharan Lal Batta and Arghya by Dr. Maithili Milind Sathe were also released.
 - **All India Samman, 2020 was conferred on the following persons-**
 - Shri Naresh Mehta Wangmay Samman : Shri Jagram Singh, Chandigarh
 - Shri Virendra Tiwari Memorial Award : Shri Hemant Kukreti, Delhi
 - Shri Shailesh Matiani Smriti Chitra-Kumar : Smt. Sushma Munindra, Satna
 - Shri Suresh Shukla 'Chandra' Natya Puraskar Story Prize : Shri Satyendra Kumar Taneja, Delhi
 - Shri Prabhakar Shrotriya Smriti Criticism Award: Smt. Smriti Shukla, Jabalpur

- **Regional Award, 2020 was conferred on the following persons**
 - Self. Hazarilal Jain Smriti Vangmay Award : Shree Narayan Vyas, Bhopal
 - Ambika Prasad Memorial Divine Honor: Shri Ghanshyam Maithil 'Amrit', Bhopal
 - Shri Shankar Sharan Lal Batta Mythological : Shri Lokendra Singh 'Kot', Badnagar
- **Fiction Award**
 - Syed Amir Ali Mir Award : Shri Santosh Supekar, Ujjain
 - Shri Harihar Niwas Dwivedi Memorial Award : Shri Santosh Mohanty 'Deep', Indore
 - Self. Hukamdevi Prakashchandra Kapoor Memorial Award : Ms. Suman Oberoi, Bhopal
 - Self. Prakash Kumari Harkawat Woman Writing Award: Dr. Sudha Chauhan 'Raj', Indore
 - Shri Satish Balkrishna Oberoi Smriti : Dr. Malti Mahawar Basant, Bhopal
- **Women's Award**
 - Smt. Santosh Batta Smriti Stree Writing Award: Dr. Lata Agarwal, Bhopal
 - Self. Rameshwar Srivastava Memorial New Award : Dr. Meenu Pandey, Bhopal
 - Smt. Rashmi Joshi Vishisht Hindi Sevi Samman: Shri Virendra Nirjhar, Burhanpur
 - Smt. Samptidevi Vijayvargiya Smriti Female : Ms. Janak Palta Magilligan, Indore
- **Welfare Award**
 - Smt. Sunderbai Shankarlal Tiwari Smriti : Smt. Tripti Mishra, Mhow
 - Women's Social Service Award
 - Self. Yashwant Argere memory positive : Shri Pankaj Pathak, Bhopal
- **Journalism Award**
 - Self. Yashwant Argere memory positive : Shri Anand Saxena, Bhopal
- **Local Award-2020 was presented to the following persons**
 - Smt. Raksha Sisodia Teacher Award : Smt. Nandita Shrivastava, Bhopal
 - Dr. Ajay Dubey and Dr. Animesh Dubey Music (singing) award : K. Piyush Malak, Bhopal
 - Dr. Ajay Dubey and Dr. Animesh Dubey Music (playing) award : K. Prasoon Jain, Bhopal

Note:

- Best Reader Award: Dr. Manjari Chaturvedi, Bhopal

National Handicraft Award

Why in News

- On August 16, 2021, **Bilal Khatri**, from Dhar district of Madhya Pradesh, was selected for the **National Handicraft Award** for giving new dimensions to **stamp printing in traditional garden print handicraft art**.

Key Points

- The National Selection Committee constituted by the Handicrafts Commissioner, Ministry of Textiles selected him for the **hand block print bamboo mat** for the National Award, 2018.
- Bilal Khatri has also been honored with the National Merit Handicraft Award in the year 2011 and the first Vishwakarma Award in the year 2018.
- He presented a bamboo mat for the National Award in Bagh Print Stappa Printing. From this, along with the incorporation of natural colors, samples of the historical heritage Taj Mahal and Red Fort were used.
- Craftsman Bilal Khatri has also exhibited his ancestral garden print stamp in many countries of the world.
- **Handicraft Awards name:** Shilp Guru Award, National Award and National Certificate of Excellence are one of the highest awards for handicraft artisans in the country. Its objective is to recognize the outstanding artisans to encourage excellence in craftsmanship and to keep our age-old tradition alive.

'Vision Zero Madhya Pradesh' Scheme

Why in News

- On August 18, 2021, **Madhya Pradesh Transport and Revenue Minister** Govind Singh Rajput virtually launched the **'Vision Zero Madhya Pradesh'** scheme based on a **safe transport system** to prevent road accidents and save the lives of the injured.

Key Points

- It is noteworthy that Madhya Pradesh is **second in the country in road accidents**. Keeping this in mind,

a **five-pillar-based** "Vision Zero Madhya Pradesh" plan has been prepared. This includes **safe speed, safe road, safe vehicle, safe driver behavior and post-accident assistance**.

- "Vision Zero Madhya Pradesh" would be implemented with the cooperation of other departments along with transport and with the participation of the entire society including voluntary organizations.
- On this occasion, the Transport Minister called for all the citizens to fulfill our responsibility to avoid road accidents.
- Transport Commissioner Mukesh Jain said that the **first hour** is very important for the injured after the accident, if the injured is taken to the hospital within an hour, then his life can be saved. Those who helped take the injured person to the hospital are no longer questioned, but respected.
- Additional Transport Commissioner Arvind Saxena administered the oath to all the participants to follow the road safety rules.

Dastak Campaign

Why in News

- From July 19, 2021 to August 18, 2021, the ongoing **Dastak Abhiyan** launched in Madhya Pradesh is an approach to **deliver a package of essential health and nutritional services** to address **under-5 child mortality and morbidity in the state**.

Key Points

- The campaign has been supported by **Nutrition International**, a global nutrition organization focused on delivering low-cost, high-impact nutrition interventions to people in need.
- Nutrition International has been supporting the campaign in its planning and strategy formation, orientation, monitoring, review and development of information education and communication materials.
- Dastak Abhiyaan, led by the state's Department of Health and Women and Child Development, aims to **proactively identify and promptly manage malnourished children** and deliver essential health and nutrition services to under-five children, with the help of frontline workers including ANMs, ASHA and Anganwadi workers.

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- The frontline workers knock door-to-door to identify families with children up to the age of five years and screen them for **common diseases such as diarrhea, severe anaemia, severe acute malnutrition and even Covid-19.**
- Once any kind of malnutrition or disease is diagnosed, arrangements are made for their referral and treatment. Through the DASTAK Abhiyaan, the frontline **workers also distribute iron and folic acid syrup** for anaemia prevention, oral rehydration solution (ORS) packets and zinc tablets to manage diarrhea and provide the dose of vitamin A supplements to the child.

Atal Progress Way Included in Bharatmala Phase-1

Why in News

- On August 19, 2021, the Ministry of National Highways and Road Transport, Government of India issued a notification to include the ambitious **Atal Progress-Way project of Madhya Pradesh in Bharatmala Phase-I.**

Key Points

- This completely new expressway of 404 km length in Madhya Pradesh, from Jhansi (Uttar Pradesh) in the east to Kota (Rajasthan) in the west through the **Bhind, Morena and Sheopur districts** of Chambal division, will be added together.
- The Chief Minister has said that the Atal Progress Way will prove to be the lifeline for the development of Gwalior-Chambal division. Industrial corridor will be constructed around this 404 km length expressway, which will become an important link in the economic development of the region.
- With the construction of this route, a major new route from Jhansi (Uttar Pradesh) to Kota (Rajasthan) will be connected, which will benefit 3 districts of Madhya Pradesh. The distance between these two points will also save about 50 kms. With the construction of this expressway, the travel time of 11 hours will be reduced to 6 hours.
- All the land to be used in the expressway is being made available by the state government at its own expense. About Rs 7000 crore is likely to be spent on this project. This expressway is set to be built through 7 different packages. This project is being constructed by NHAI.

New Flights Launched

Why in News

- On August 20, 2021, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan launched new IndiGo flights from Jabalpur to Delhi, Indore and Mumbai through video conference with Union Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia.

Key Points

- Air service from Jabalpur to Mumbai and Delhi started from 20th August and air facility will be available from Jabalpur to Hyderabad and Indore from 28th August. Similarly, airlines will also start from Indore to Mumbai and Jabalpur from August 28.
- During this, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan requested Union Minister Scindia to name the **Jabalpur airport after 'Rani Durgavati'**.
- Sometime back 424 flights per week were operating from different places of Madhya Pradesh, which has now increased to 588 per week
- With the increase in air connectivity in Jabalpur, industrial and economic development of the area will happen and tourists will also get facilities. For the expansion of Jabalpur airport, the state government has transferred more than 730 acres of land.
- Union Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia said that a plan of Rs 421 crore has been approved for the expansion of the airport in Jabalpur. Terminal building construction, ATC tower and runway length extension will be completed by December 2022.
- It is worth mentioning that the UDAN plan has plans to introduce 1000 air routes and establish one hundred airports by 2025, out of which 363 routes and 59 airports have been established.

Award for Best Wildlife and Eco Tourism and Best Tourism Marketing Campaign

Why in News

- Madhya Pradesh Tourism has been awarded as the **Best Wildlife and Ecotourism State and Best State for Tourism Marketing Campaign** at the 7th edition of ITCTA B2B International Tourism Expo & Conclave, 2021 held at Le Meridien Hotel, New Delhi on August 20, 2021

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Key Points

- In the award ceremony, Chief Guest Principal Secretary Tourism and Public Relations Shiv Shekhar Shukla presented the awards and started the function with the ceremonial lamp.
- The award for Best Wildlife and Ecotourism was received by Deputy Director, Madhya Pradesh Tourism, Yuvraj Padole and the award for Best Tourism Marketing Campaign was received by Deepika Roy Choudhury, Deputy Director, Madhya Pradesh Tourism.
- It is noteworthy that Madhya Pradesh is full of rich wildlife. It has a forest area of 77,700 square kilometer, with 11 national parks and 24 wildlife sanctuaries with many wildlife hotspots.
- Madhya Pradesh has recently got the status of 'The Leopard State' and 'Gharial State' along with 'Tiger State', which reflects the efforts of wildlife conservation.
- To actively promote state tourism, the tourism department has organized various promotional programs like Orchha Cultural Festival, Mandu Festival, Jal Mahotsav, Go Heritage Run, Cycle Safari and Elephant Safari. It has also organized social media campaigns like Buffer Mein Safar, Intezaar Aapka, Intezaar Khatm Hua, Monsoon Magic, Sab Kuch Jo Dil Chahhe etc.
- In this event, Yuvraj Padole also gave a brief presentation on tourism attractions of Madhya Pradesh and initiatives like wildlife safaris, adventure activities, water sports, responsible tourism, wellness and mindful tourism etc.

10 Oxygen Plants Inaugurated

Why in News

- On August 21, 2021, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan virtually inaugurated newly installed oxygen plants costing Rs. 6.5 crore in 10 hospitals of Madhya Pradesh.

Key Points

- These 10 oxygen plants have the capacity to produce 5500 LPM (Litre Per Minute) of oxygen. With the establishment of these oxygen plants, **Madhya Pradesh will become self-sufficient in oxygen.**
- These plants have been set up at Ashta and Rehti in Sehore district, Vidisha and Sironj in Vidisha district, Khargone and Barwah in Khargone district,

Khurai in Sagar district, besides Katni, Tikamgarh and Narsinghpur districts.

- No government hospital had an Oxygen Generation Plant in Madhya Pradesh as of March 2020. At present 190 oxygen plants are being set up in the state. Of these, 68 plants have been established and 65 plants have been made functional so far. All the remaining plants will be functional by the month of September.
- Following are the Oxygen Plants inaugurated in Madhya Pradesh:

| Dedicated Oxygen Plant | |
|--|-----------------------|
| Health institution | Production capability |
| Community Health Center Rehti, District Sehore | 200 LPM |
| Civil Hospital Ashta, District Sehore | 300 LPM |
| District Hospital, Vidisha | 1000 LPM |
| Civil Hospital Sironj, District Vidisha | 250 LPM |
| District Hospital, Katni | 1000 LPM |
| District Hospital, Khargone | 250 LPM |
| Civil Hospital Barwah, District Khargone | 500 LPM |
| District Hospital, Tikamgarh | 500 LPM |
| District Hospital, Narsinghpur | 1000 LPM |
| Civil Hospital Khurai, District Sagar | 500 LPM |

Supplementary Budget

Why in News

- During the monsoon session of the Uttarakhand Legislative Assembly, **Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami** has presented a **supplementary budget of Rs 5,720.78 crore.**

Key Points

- The budgetary provisions include **Rs 2,990.53 crore for revenue expenditure** and **Rs 2,730.25 crore for capital expenditure.**
- Special provision has been made in the budget to deal with **Covid-19** and to facilitate the implementation of self-employment schemes.
- The budget allocation includes
 - Rs 570 crore for **Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY)**

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- Rs 449 crore for **National Health Mission (NHM)**
- Rs 401 crores for **Jal Jeevan Mission**
- Rs 137.29 crores for **Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT)**
- Rs 70.01 crores for **Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana**
- Rs 24.65 crores for **Swachh Bharat Mission**
- Rs 600 crore has been allocated for various works and assistance for Covid-19, while some other allocations include:
 - Rs 100 crore has been allocated for **Mukhyamantri Swarojgar Yojana (MSY)**
 - Rs 8.34 crore for **Mukhyamantri Saubhagyavati Yojana**
 - Rs 7.65 crore for **Mukhyamantri Vatsalya Yojana.**
- Apart from these, Rs 55 crore has been allocated for repair and maintenance of roads and bridges, Rs 30 crore for flood protection works, Rs 25 crore for drinking water projects and Rs 60 crore for smart city project works.

Gaura Devi Kanyadhan Yojana

Why in News

- Uttarakhand Chief Minister **Pushkar Singh Dhami** has announced that the girl child deprived of the benefit of **Gaura Devi Kanyadhan Yojna** in the year 2015-16 and 2016-17, will be given the benefit of the scheme by the government.

Key Points

- This benefit will be given to those girls who had applied under this scheme in the year 2015-16 and 2016-17 but they could not get its benefit. Necessary funds will also be arranged for this.
- In the year **2015-16, 11,300 girls while in 2016-17, 21,916 girls were deprived of the benefit** of this scheme. In this way, the remaining amount of Rs 49.42 crore will be provided by the government to give the benefit of Kanyadhan scheme to a total of 33,216 girls.
- The 'Gaura Devi Kanyadhan' scheme was **launched by the Government of Uttarakhand in the year 2006-07**. Its main objective is to provide incentive money to all the 12th pass girls of BPL category of

Uttarakhand state to motivate them for higher level education.

Maximum Vaccinations in Country

Why in News

- On the first day of Mega Vaccination Drive of Phase-2, which will be run in all districts in Madhya Pradesh from August 25 to 26, 2021, the state became the **first state in the country to do maximum vaccination in a day** by administering vaccine doses to 23 lakh 86 a thousand persons.

Key Points

- During the **Vaccination Maha-Abhiyan-1** in Madhya Pradesh that was organized on June 21, 2021, more than 18 lakh vaccine doses were given.
- Chief Minister **Shivraj Singh Chouhan launched the Vaccination Maha-Abhiyan-2** at the center set up at the Jain Temple at Jawahar Chowk, Bhopal.
- On the first day of Vaccination Maha-Abhiyan-2, a target was set to vaccinate 21 lakh 30 thousand people. To achieve the target, **more than 8 thousand immunization centers were set up in 52 districts of the state**. Madhya Pradesh set its own record by achieving about 10 percent more than the set target.
- In the Vaccination Maha-Abhiyan, suitable arrangements have been made at all the centers to vaccinate the target group. Along with this, arrangements were also made by the local administration for transporting vehicles to and from the center, especially for the elderly and the differently-abled.
- Members of the district, block and village and ward level **Crisis Management Committees** formed in the state to prevent the third wave of corona infection also played an active role in Maha-Abhiyan-2. The members of the committee, while doing public awareness work in urban and rural areas, also discharged the role of motivator at the vaccination centers.
- On the first day of Maha-Abhiyan-2, a **maximum number of vaccines were administered in Shivpuri district in the state. Mandsaur in second place and Seoni in third place.**

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N.K.C. Center for Genomics Research

Why in News

- Recently, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan virtually inaugurated the **center set up by Nucleome Informatics in Hyderabad.**

Key Points

- Dushyant Singh Baghel, Managing Director of Nucleome Informatics said that **Asia's largest genomics lab will be set up** by the institute in **Indore** at a cost of Rs 165 crore.
- Agri genomics is a field of science, which is contributing to crop improvement. Due to this, more production of better quality crops is possible by improving the **pest resistance in the crop, stress tolerance** of plants.
- Nucleome Informatics **started its journey in this field in 2013.** The work of **genome sequencing** of animals is also being done by the organization. **Nandkumar Singh Chouhan (NKC) Center for Genomics Research** will prove to be a milestone in providing updated scientific information to the farmers.

Madhya Pradesh First in Getting Recognition of Water Testing Laboratories

Why in News

- On August 27, 2021, **Madhya Pradesh stood first** among the states to get the **accreditation certificate** from the **National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratory (NABL)** for water testing laboratories.

Key Points

- State and district level 51 laboratories of the **Public Health Engineering Department** have been granted recognition certificates by the **Accreditation Board (NABL).** Madhya Pradesh is the first and Maharashtra is the second among the states that have received recognition for various water testing laboratories of the country.
- The quality of water being supplied to the common citizen is tested from time to time. For this, **one state**

level and 55 district level (including upgraded Khurai, Mauganj, Sardarpur and Parasia) laboratories are run by the **PHE department** in the state. Apart from this, **100 subdivision level laboratories** are also operating.

- To ensure the quality of drinking water, applications are made by various states for certification of their water testing laboratories with prescribed parameters and fees.
- **Madhya Pradesh has the highest number of 51 laboratories** in the accreditation certificates issued by the National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABL) to 182 water testing laboratories in 25 states so far.

Highest Sports Decoration Award, 2020

Why in News

- On August 28, 2021, the State Level Sports Awards were announced by the Sports and Youth Welfare Department after the recommendation of the selection committee constituted for the highest sports awards of Madhya Pradesh and with the approval of the Sports and Youth Welfare Minister of the state.

Key Points

- For the year 2020, **13 Eklavya, 10 Vikram, 3 Vishwamitra, 1 Late Prabhash Joshi and 1 LifeTime Achievement Award** have been announced by the state government.
- The **LifeTime Achievement Award** for the year 2020 will be given to **Padma Shri Abhay Chhajlani**, while **Olympic hockey player of the state Vivek Sagar will be awarded the state's best Vikram Award.**
- The list of persons announced for the year 2020 state level sports awards is as follows-
 - **Eklavya Award:**
 - **Individual Category-** Sushma Verma, Kayaking-Canoeing (Sehore), Tushita Singh, Soft Tennis (Bhopal), Sparsh Khare, Wushu (Jabalpur), Arjun Singh, Horse Riding (Bhopal), Sunil Davar, Athletics (Barwani), Gauranshi Sharma, Badminton (Divyang) (Bhopal), Rammilan Yadav, Sailing (Tikamgarh), Ankit Sharma, Fencing (Gwalior), Anuradha Ahirwar, Archery (Bhopal), Preeti Rajak, Shooting (Hoshangabad), Shashank Patel, Taekwondo (Bhopal).

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- **Group Category** – Sadhna Sengar, Hockey (Hoshangabad) and Dhruvraj Kurre, Powerlifting (Bhopal).
- **Vikram Award:**
 - **Individual Category-** Vishwajit Singh, Canoe-Slalom (Hoshangabad), Sunidhi Chauhan, Shooting (Bhopal), Nidhi Nanhet, Karate (Balaghat), Paridhi Joshi, Horse Riding (Indore), Manju Bambaria, Boxing (Ujjain), Ekta Yadav, Sailing (Bhopal). Party Sports- Vivek Sagar Prasad, Hockey (Hoshangabad), Harshvardhan Tomar, Basketball (Gwalior), Pooja Malviya, Mallakhamb (Ujjain).
 - **Divyang Category-** Prachi Yadav, Para Canoe (Gwalior).
- **Vishwamitra Award:**
 - **Individual Category**– Virendra Dabas, Para Swimming and Para Athletics (Gwalior) and Richpal Singh Salaria, Archery (Jabalpur).
 - **Group Category-** Dr. Habib Hassan is involved.
- **Life Time Achievement Award:** Abhay Chhajlani, Padma Shri and former President Indore Table Tennis Association.
- **Late Prabhas Joshi Sports Award:** Vaishnavi Kahar, Mallakhamb (Ujjain).

PM SVANidhi Scheme

Why in News

- On August 29, 2021, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan transferred an amount of Rs 50 crore to the accounts of 50,000 beneficiaries of the scheme in the state-level program for distribution of first and second installments under **Pradhan Mantri SVANidhi Scheme** at Balaghat and also launched the second phase of the scheme.

Key Points

- In the second phase of the scheme, an interest-free amount of Rs. 20-20 thousand was transferred to the accounts of the beneficiaries.
- The Chief Minister said that small traders can gradually increase their work with the help of the SVANidhi

scheme. **Madhya Pradesh is first in the country to implement the Pradhan Mantri Svanidhi Scheme.**

- At the very beginning of the scheme, about 3.50 lakh beneficiaries were disbursed assistance amounting to Rs.10-10 thousand each.
- At the launch of the second phase of the scheme, the second installment of the scheme (20-20 thousand rupees) was provided to about 1000 beneficiaries of the state.
- Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan said that the help given to **self-help groups** before the covid crisis will be started again by the government, pucca houses will be provided to all the poor in the state by the year 2024 and on September 18, 2021, the Prime Minister In the second phase of Ujjwala scheme, 5 lakh new connections will be given.

Denotified, Nomadic and Semi-nomadic Tribes

Why in News

- **Madhya Pradesh** government is organizing a special Panchayat of **Denotified, Nomadic and Semi-nomadic tribes** on the occasion of **Vimukt Jati Diwas (i.e August 31, 2021).**

Key Points

- Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan has started the process of **formulation and implementation of welfare programs and schemes** on the basis of their ideas and suggestions by establishing dialogue with different sections of the state.
- Its main objective is to connect the concerned class with the main stream of development by providing maximum benefits. In this sequence, after re-organizing Panchayats of different classes, **Panchayats of Denotified, Nomadic and Semi-nomadic** classes are being organized.
- It is noteworthy that for the development and welfare of denotified, nomadic and semi-nomadic tribes in Madhya Pradesh, a separate '**Denotified, Nomadic and Semi-nomadic Tribes Welfare Department**' was **established by the notification of the Madhya Pradesh government on 22 June 2011.**

Note:

- **51 castes of Madhya Pradesh have been included in the denotified, nomadic and semi-nomadic tribes.** The main **problem of these tribes** is lack of permanent housing due to educational backwardness, economic deprivation and nomadic tendency.
- To overcome the above problems of these tribes, a grant of up to Rs 1.50 lakh per beneficiary is given under the **Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana** to provide them with residential facilities at one place.



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