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Rajasthan Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Act, 2022

Why In News?

The notification of the Rajasthan Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Act, 2022 has been issued on October 31, 2022. In pursuance of this notification, the existing sub-section (7-A) of section 28 of the Rajasthan Co-operative Societies Act, 2001 (Act No. 16 of 2002) stands omitted.

Key Points

- With the clause removed in the notification, any person can now be elected to the Board of Directors for more than two consecutive terms. This will strengthen the democratic system in cooperatives.
- It is known that on September 20, 2022, the Rajasthan Legislative Assembly passed the Rajasthan Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 2022 by voice vote.
- In the Bill, sub-section (7-A) of section 28 of the Rajasthan Co-operative Societies Act, 2001 was removed with a view to ensure the participation of long-serving and experienced members for the efficient working of cooperative societies.
- It may be mentioned that the existing sub-section (7-A) of section 28 of the Rajasthan Co-operative Societies Act, 2001 (Act No. 16 of 2002) provided that no person shall be eligible for election as a member of the society, if he has been elected or co-opted as a member of the society of the same society for two consecutive terms after the commencement of the Rajasthan Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act No. 11 of 2016), unless such a period of five years has not elapsed from the date of expiry of his second term as a member of the Committee.

International Pushkar Fair- 2022

Why In News?

On November 1, 2022, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot inaugurated the International Pushkar Fair- 2022 at Pushkar, Ajmer, in the state.

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- The Chief Minister said that Pushkar Dham is the center of faith of all classes and a large number of devotees from all castes and religions come here. Excellent and grand arrangements have been made at the Pushkar fair for the devotees coming here on a large scale.
- On this occasion, he has also inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of development works worth Rs 110 crore in Ajmer and Pushkar. This included various development works and projects under smart city, Ajmer development authority and forest department.
- He informed that DPR has been prepared to solve the problem of dirty water in Pushkar Sarovar and development of Pushkar will be done at a cost of about Rs 11 crore and restoration of ghats in Pushkar and other development works will be completed soon.

Rajasthan International Expo-2023

Why In News?

Presiding over the fifth meeting of Rajasthan Export Promotion Council (Rajasthan Export Promotion Council) held at Udyog Bhawan on November 1, 2022, the chairman of the council, Rajiv Arora said that on March 11 to 13, 2023, to increase exports from the state. Rajasthan International Expo-2023 will be organized in Jodhpur.

Key Points

- Rajiv Arora said that from handicrafts to jewelry, ceramics and other products will be displayed on a wide scale in this international expo.
- Additional Chief Secretary Veenu Gupta said that organizing an international level handicraft expo in Jodhpur is an important part of the Chief Minister's budget announcement and it is being named as Rajasthan International Expo to further broaden this expo and to add many other products.
- It is noteworthy that the council has been formed to increase the percentage of exports in the state and to conduct other activities including exports.
- Commissioner Mahendra Parakh said that Rajasthan ranks 12th in the country in terms of exports and the state has a lot of export potential. The percentage of

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exports from the state has also increased significantly over the years.

- He said that having an international level expo will not only provide a better market to local products but will also identify them.
- In the council meeting, various topics including setting up of testing lab of products, center of excellence, beginning of council membership, becoming mission exporter were also discussed extensively on various topics.

First Meeting of State Level Board Regarding ART and Surrogacy Act

Why In News?

On November 2, 2022, the first meeting of the state-level board constituted in connection with the Assisted Reproductive Technology (Regulation) Act, 2021 and surrogacy (regulation) act, 2021 was held at the government secretariat under the chairmanship of Rajasthan Medical and Health Minister Parsadi Lal Meena.

Key Points

- In the meeting, it was decided to take an affidavit in this regard from art clinics, ART banks and surrogacy clinics which are working before the implementation of ART and Surrogacy Act in the state and to provide one-time relaxation in the qualification/ experience of specialists working in them such as a bryologists, gynecologist, anesthetic counsellor.
- Apart from this, it was also decided in the meeting to start the process of registration of ART clinics / ART bank / surrogacy clinics and the appropriate authority was authorized by the board to conduct physical inspection before their registration. Appeals against the decisions of the Appropriate Authority can be made to the State Government in all cases.
- Minister Parsadi Lal Meena said that the appropriate authority has been authorized to decide the period accordingly after getting information about the period for which the certificate is being issued by the appropriate authority of another state about the period for which the eligibility certificate is to be issued to the intended couple / intended woman / surrogate mother.

- Apart from this, permission has also been given to constitute a District Medical Board under the chairmanship of Chief Medical and Health Officer at the district level, in which one senior-most gynecologist and one senior-most pediatrician will be members.

New Services under 'Rajasthan Public Services Guarantee Act'

Why In News?

On November 2, 2022, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot approved the proposal to bring new services of various departments of the state government under the 'Rajasthan Guarantee of Delivery of Public Services Act, 2011' while continuously working towards 'Good Governance' to provide basic facilities and to provide basic facilities to every citizen of the state.

Key Points

- According to this proposal, social justice and empowerment department, industries and commerce department, urban development department, autonomous government department, Rajasthan state road transport corporation, Rajasthan state pollution control board, home department, transport and road safety department, excise department, energy department, economic and statistics department, Approval has been given to add various innovative services of Tourism Department, Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs Department, Legal Metrology Cell.
- Apart from this, amendment has been approved in the notified Designated Officer/First Appeal Officer/ Second Appeal Officer for services in Labor Department, Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs Department, Pension and Pensioners Welfare Department, Urban Development Department, Industries and Commerce Department, Home Department. Has been.
- With this approval of the Chief Minister, the benefits of the schemes being run by various departments of the state government will be ensured to more and more people easily and this will also improve the quality of service delivery of the departments.

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- It is noteworthy that in order to provide full benefit of the services being provided by the government to the people of the state, the state government had brought the Rajasthan Guarantee of Delivery of Public Services Act, 2011 in the year 2011 and brought the services of various departments under it.

Skill Training Batch for Women of Navjivan Families Launched in Alwar

Why In News?

On November 3, 2022, Rajasthan Social Justice and Empowerment Minister **Tikaram Jully** launched the **first batch of skill training for women in Alwar district under the state government's 'Navjivan Yojana'**.

Key Point

- Minister Tikaram Jully said that navjivan yojana is being operated by the state government to free the families from the swamp of illegal liquor in the state and bring them into the mainstream of the society by giving skill training. This is a positive initiative to provide skill training to the family members, especially women, freed from the menace of illicit liquor and provide them loans and employment opportunities for self-employment.
- Describing women as a strong link in the family economy, he said that such training will enable them to provide more financial support to their families.
- RaviKant, Assistant Director, Social Justice and Empowerment Department, said that in the skill training batch of the first phase under the Navjivan Yojana, 75 women participants of Navjivan families of Alwar city and Alwar rural will be given 60-days tailoring training through voluntary organization.
- Under this scheme, free tool kit has been provided to each participant and loans will also be disbursed at minimum interest rates through scheduled corporations and banks for self-employment during training. Apart from this, the families included in this scheme will also be linked to pension, **Palanhar, Kanyadan, Indira Gandhi Urban Credit Card Scheme** and **Indira Mahila Udyam Protsahan Yojana**.

Girls From Seven Districts Launched Satellite and Drone in Mahatma Gandhi Vidyalaya

Why In News?

On November 4, 2022, in the grand finale of the 3-day 'Peco Satellite Event' at Mahatma Gandhi Government School (Formerly Raj. Girls Higher Secondary School), Malviya Nagar, Jaipur, Rajasthan, 30 girl students selected and trained from seven districts of the state participated in small satellite and Drone operated.

Key Points

- These students from Ajmer, Alwar, Bundi, Jaipur, Bharatpur, Dungarpur, Jhunjhunu districts went through various stages and learned to design, build and launch drones and satellites in the last three days workshop.
- "Under STEM, namely Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics for Girls India, IBM India and American India Foundation (AIF) have come together to train girl students of 306 government schools in 10 districts of Rajasthan in satellite, drone and space technology, so as to help them build education and careers in STEM by empowering them with advanced STEM skills.
- It is noteworthy that both the organizations jointly organized 'Pico Satellite Event' in Jaipur from November 2 to 4, for which 30 girl students from various government schools of Rajasthan participated in a workshop, in which they were taught to design, manufacture and launch drones and satellites.
- Selected from a batch of 500 girl students, these 30 students underwent rigorous, intensive training after several workshops and online examinations.
- The data taken by these satellites created by girl students will be used by the Indian Council of Research and the Agricultural Research Center.
- The project has been designed with the objective of developing awareness, confidence, skills along with promoting the aspiration of higher education in this field and providing practical experience of assembling satellites and drones to provide more knowledge about satellites, drones and space technology to the girl students.

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Approval of Rs 628 Crore for 45 Schemes under 'Jal Jeevan Mission'

Why In News?

- On November 4, 2022, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot approved Rs 628 crore for 45 schemes across the state under the 'Jal Jeevan Mission'.

Key Points

- With this approval of Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot, various works going on in the state under the Jal Jeevan Mission will get momentum and the works will be completed within the stipulated time period, so that people will get water from taps up to the village.'
- Under this approval, 12 schemes in Karauli district of the state, 6-6 in Bikaner and Udaipur, 4-4 in Jaisalmer and Pali, 3 in Hanumangarh and 2-2 in Alwar, Rajsamand, Sawai Madhopur district and Sri Ganganagar, Dungarpur, Sikar, 1-1 scheme can be implemented in Banswara. On completion of the works, permanent solution to the drinking water problem in these areas will be ensured.
- It is noteworthy that guidelines for the implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission were issued in December 2019. Under this, a target was set to provide working household tap connections for pure drinking water to every rural household by March 2024, on receipt of which every person will get regular drinking water of prescribed quality.
- It is known that at present about 27 lakh rural households in Rajasthan are getting tap water and the state government is working with commitment towards providing tap water to every family.

'Chess in School' Program

Why In News?

On November 6, 2022, the Education Minister of Rajasthan, Dr. B. D. Kalla told during the inaugural function of chess competition under 66th district level school sports in Bikaner that 'Chess in School' program would start from the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi (November 19) in more than 60 thousand

government schools in the state and After this, chess will be played in schools on the third Saturday of every month during 'No Bag Day'.

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- Education Minister Dr. B. D. Kalla said that for the first time in the country, this initiative is going to be taken in Rajasthan, under which chess boards and other necessary materials will be purchased from sports grants in more than 60 thousand schools of the state and children will be proficient in chess.
- He said that for the first time chess has been included in school sports. After this, district and state level competitions of chess are being held, in which the children participating in it will bring glory to Rajasthan in the national and international events of chess in the coming time.
- Chairman of the Permanent Lok Adalat Mahesh Sharma said that 'Chess in School' will become the biggest medium in the country in promoting the game of chess. He also talked about organizing these competitions in the age group of ten and fourteen years.
- Competition coordinator Senuka Harsh informed that during the district level competition, children of age group of 17 and 19 years will participate in four categories. State level chess competition will also be held at Ramesh English School, Bikaner from November 14 to 18. Teams from 33 districts of the state will participate in this.

Delphic Council of Rajasthan Organized at Jawahar Kala Kendra (JKK), Jaipur

Why In News?

On November 6, 2022, Shreya Guha, President of the Delphic Council of Rajasthan, organized 'Mharo Rajasthan' at the art camp at Jawahar Kala Kendra (JKK), Jaipur and inaugurated the stall in the exhibition.

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- Shreya Guha said that Rajasthan is the first province in the world, where regional councils were formed and registered. During Covid, it is being promoted online and now through offline invites, drama, dance,

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theatre, art and encouraging the youth. Sports will be organized for artists through regional councils and they will be given a global platform.

- Ramesh Prasanna, general secretary of the International Delphic Council, said that the Delphic Council of Rajasthan has been started with the aim of introducing the culture value at the regional level. On the lines of the theme and harmony of God Apollo, the Delphic Council has been started at the international level and its purpose is to maintain mutual brotherhood, culture and traditions and spread it to the world.
- Inns Lexchus of German Art School said that Rajasthan has provided an inspiration by organizing a series of events and on such platforms German artists will get a better opportunity to exchange and learn their art.
- In the program, students of German Art School interacted with Rajasthani artists and understood Rajasthani art and culture. He shared German art with artists of diverse arts of paintings.

'Jaipur Architecture Festival'

Why in News?

On November 7, 2022, Rajasthan State Industrial Development and Investment Corporation Limited (RIICO) Managing Director Shivprasad Nakate informed that the 'Jaipur Architecture Festival' (JAF) will be organized on November 11 and 12 in the 'India Stonemart 2022' to be held in the state.

Key Points

- Shivprasad Nakate said that JAF will be specifically focused on 'Architectural Practice and Education and Stone Tradition of India'.
- The 'Jaipur Architecture Festival' aims to provide a suitable platform for exchange, dialogue and networking of new ideas in the creative field of architecture and JAF will focus on a wide range of ideas about future cities, environment, architecture as well as practice and education of rich stone traditions.
- The 'Architecture Festival' is being jointly organised by CDOS, RIICO and FICCI. The Indian Institute of Architects (IIA) and Rajasthan Chapter are knowledge partners.
- Eminent architects from across the country and abroad will participate in the festival and students to teaching faculty and important architectural colleges and institutions will also participate in the festival.

- The festival will also play an important role in updating knowledge and awareness about the availability and properties of various stones.
- It is known that the Centre for Development of Stones (CDOS) has taken several initiatives to establish hassle-free selection and sourcing as well as direct contact with participants in the stone industry.
- The event will provide opportunities to learn and communicate with leading architects with over 300 representatives of Design Fraternity for the emergence of new ideas and talents.
- The festival will also showcase 15 inspiring projects of architects and designers at the Display Arena as a source of rich culture, heritage and stone architecture of the state of Rajasthan.
- The 11th edition of India Stonemart 22 will be held from November 10 to 13 at the Jaipur Exhibition and Convention Centre (JECC) in Sitapura Industrial Area, Jaipur. It is being organized by Center for Development of Stones (CDOS) with Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) as co-organisers.

Jodhpur

Digifest-Job Fair 2022

Why in News?

- On November 8, 2022, Principal Secretary, Rajasthan Information Technology and Communication Department, Akhil Arora informed that the State Information Technology and Communication Department will organize 'Digifest-Job Fair-2022' on November 11 and 12 at Government Polytechnic College, Jodhpur to provide great employment opportunities to the youth.

Key Points

- Secretary Akhil Arora said that Digifest is being organized in Jodhpur after Jaipur to showcase technical innovations by the department. More than 20 thousand youth are expected to benefit in Digifest-Job Fair 2022.
- During Digifest, a job fair will also be organized here, in which candidates who have passed 10th, 12th and Graduate and Postgraduate examinations will be given employment according to their qualifications.

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- E&Y, KPMG, Infosys, G4S, Mahindra Finance, Muthoot Finance, Reliance Jio, Vodafone, Axis, L&T, Spark Minda, Bajaj Motors, Infosys BPO, EsselPropack, DB Corp, Tajhari, AurionPro, Idea Infinity, Bhawan Cybertech, Genus, More than 200 companies like Adani Green, Suzlon, AU Finance, IIFL, Genpact, Club Mahindra, Ques Corp will employ youth in this job fair.
- Before attending the IT Job Fair, candidates can register themselves online on the website of <http://itjobfair-rajasthan-gov> and arrangements will be made to register themselves at the IT Job Fair site. The youth will also be able to register themselves using the QR facility. Getting registered in the job fair is free.

National Taxation Award-2022

Why In News?

Announcing the National Taxation Award-2022 by Tax India Online on November 9, 2022, 'Gold Award' to the Government of Rajasthan in the Most Reformist State and SGST/VAT Category categories in tax management. to be provided.

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- The award, presented by Haryana Deputy Chief Minister Dushyant Chautala and Rajya Sabha MP Sushil Modi, was received by the Joint Secretary, Finance (Taxes), Finance Department on behalf of the Rajasthan government.
- The state of Odisha was awarded silver in this category and Haryana, Tamil Nadu and Bihar were awarded jury awards.
- The Government of Rajasthan was also awarded the Gold Award for standing first in the State VAT category. The state of Odisha was given silver in this category and the jury award was given to Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra and Chhattisgarh.
- IFMS by State Govt. Practical changes have been made to the platform by innovating, standardizing processes and reducing human intervention to make it more public utility, which has helped in payment and revenue collection.
- Similarly, effective collection of taxes under the GST Act was done by the State Tax Department, which has

collected 26 percent more revenue as compared to the previous year.

- The State Government has given relief to the dealers by declaring the Amnesty Scheme-2021 and 2022 for clearing the pending dues for years by eliminating more than 8.00 lakh entries. In the same sequence, in the budget of the year 2022-23, relief has been provided to the dealers by setting up a convenience facility and increasing the limit of e-way bill up to one lakh rupees under the GST law.
- It is well known that this award by Tax India Online Knowledge Foundation has been given by Tax India Online Knowledge Foundation for excellent work in the field of tax management reforms and tax management in states and tax law compliant taxpayers, technology service providers, taxpayer friendly commissioners and taxpayers policy-makers, etc., are given in nine categories.
- Retired judges of the Supreme Court, retired high officials of the Government of India and retired members of the Central Board of Excise and Customs are included in the jury of the awards.
- Tax India Online was established in the year 2000. As online media, it is established as a leading start-up company. These awards were instituted by Tax India Online in the year 2020.

Important Decisions of the State Council of Ministers under the Chairmanship of the Chief Minister

Why In News?

In the meeting of the state cabinet chaired by Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot on November 9, 2022, several other important decisions were taken along with the approval of the New Rajasthan Start-Up Policy-2022.

Key Points

- The Cabinet took an important decision to take forward the Eastern Rajasthan Canal Project (ERCP).
 - As per the approved proposal, unclaimed land owned by Water Resources Department/CAD/IGND/SWRPD and land related properties are to be transferred free of cost to ERCP Corporation. Also,

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for the financial management of the corporation, 100 percent of the income received by managing / endorsing / lease / other use of the land transferred by the departments is to be used for the works of the corporation.

- It is noteworthy that ERCP provides drinking water for 13 districts of the state (Jhalawar, Baran, Kota, Bundi, Sawai Madhopur, Karauli, Dholpur, Bharatpur, Dausa, Alwar, Jaipur, Ajmer and Tonk). Irrigation is also a very important project.
- Cabinet approves New Rajasthan Start-Up Policy, 2022.
 - This policy will benefit start-ups, entrepreneurial students, rural start-ups and institutional incubation centers of the state. Investment and employment generation opportunities will increase in the state and industrial development will be promoted.
 - It is noteworthy that in the budget session 2020-21, the announcement regarding the implementation of the policy to promote the I-START program was made.
- The Cabinet approved the proposed amendment to the Compassionate Appointments rules, 2002 to the dependents of Battle Casualty, Physical Casualty or to dependents of permanently disabled Armed Forces Service Personnel and Para Military (BSF, CRPF, CISF, ITBP, Coast Guard) personnel.
 - After the said amendment, appointments will be provided to the martyr's family and dependent members of permanently disabled personnel of the said services to posts up to pay-level 10 and such families will be better supported than before.
- Approving the proposal to amend the Rajasthan Civil Services (Revised Pay) Rules, 2017, the Cabinet has taken a big decision in the interest of the employees. Under this rule 17 of the Rajasthan Civil Services (Classification Control and Appeal) Rules, 1958, the resultant effect in the ACP is being abolished in the cases of minor penalties given to the personnel.
- The cabinet has amended the Rajasthan Integrated Child Development (State and Subordinate) Services Rules, 1998. Due to this, for the post of supervisor, backward class and economically weaker candidates will also get relaxation in upper age limit similar to reserved category.
 - There is a provision of relaxation of 10 years in the upper age limit for direct recruitment from Anganwadi worker to the post of supervisor in the Department of Women and Child Development, in which an additional relaxation of 5 years is also payable for reserved category candidates. Now this relaxation will be available to other reserved categories as well as candidates belonging to most backward and economically weaker sections.
- It is noteworthy that in the budget announcement of the year 2020-21, it was announced to relax the age limit at the same age as the reserved category to the candidates of economically weaker sections.
- The cabinet has approved the proposal to give the benefit of reservation to the candidates of that area as a result of the increase in the coverage of scheduled areas in the state.
 - In this sequence, approval has been given to amend the Rajasthan Scheduled Area Subordinate, Clerical and Class IV (Recruitment and Other Conditions of Service) Rules, 2014 in accordance with the notification issued by the Government of India on May 19, 2018.
 - It is noteworthy that under the notification of the Government of India, the scope of scheduled areas had increased in Banswara, Dungarpur, Pratapgarh, Udaipur, Rajsamand, Chittorgarh, Pali and Sirohi districts of the state, due to which the candidates of the enlarged areas could not get the benefit of reservation. Had been. With the above approval, the candidates will be able to get the benefit of reservation.
- The Cabinet has also approved the proposal to give the benefit of 2 percent reservation in state services to the outstanding sportspersons of the state in 'Rajasthan Engineering Subordinate Services (Electrical Inspectorate Branch)' and 'Rajasthan Science and Technology (State and Subordinate)' services.
- Along with this, the Cabinet has also approved the proposal to include outstanding sportspersons of Rajasthan state represented in the National Games in the category of 'Outstanding Sportspersons'. This decision will boost the morale of the outstanding players of the state.
- The Cabinet gave its approval to m/s Wonder Cement Limited for allotment of a total of 400.5237 hectares of reserved land for industrial purpose for setting up of large industry (cement plant and railway siding) at Jaisalmer.

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- In this, it has been decided to allocate 377.0650 hectares of land for plant and 23.4587 hectares for railway siding and road in village Parewar (Tehsil Jaisalmer), village Sonu (Tehsil Sum) and Village Leela Parewar (Tehsil Jaisalmer) respectively.
- The project will be set up in two phases. A total investment of Rs 4200 crore is proposed. About 1500 people will get employment directly or indirectly. Apart from this, workers will also get work in the construction process.
- The Cabinet has decided to fill the post of Hostel Superintendent Grade-II in women (girls) hostels run by tribal regional development department only by women candidates. This decision will ensure the safety and privacy of girls studying in these hostels.
- The Cabinet has approved the proposal to name the Government Industrial Training Institute at Hindoli, Bundi after Babasaheb Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar. It is noteworthy that on July 30, 2022, during his Bundi Yatra, the Chief Minister inaugurated the I.T.I. to be built in Hindoli. Name of the College Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar I.T.I. College was announced.

Two-Day World Sufi Music Festival 'Jahan-e-Khusro'

Why In News?

On November 9, 2022, Principal Secretary, Rajasthan Tourism Department, Gayatri Rathore said that the department will organize a two-day annual world Sufi music festival 'Jahan-e-Khusro' on November 19 and 20 at Albert Hall in Jaipur to promote the culture and art of the state.

Key Points

- Secretary Gayatri Rathore told a press conference that the melodious sounds of Sufi music will resonate in this ceremony. Also, there will be a glimpse of the culture of Rajasthan. 'Jahan-e-Khusro' symbolizes the colour of unity.
- He informed that Jaipur is being developed as a cultural tourist destination. The arts and artists of Rajasthan are promoted by such events and presentations. In this ceremony, Rajasthan's legend 'Mumal' will be presented as a stage show.

- It is worth mentioning that the famous artistes like Javed Ali, Nooran Sisters, Jasleen Kaur, Niazi will perform in the 'Jahan-e-Khusro' festival designed by renowned filmmaker and painter Muzaffar Ali and designer Meera Ali.

Guidelines-2022 to Give Mental Strength and Security to Studying in Coaching Institutes

Why In News?

On November 11, 2022, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot approved the Guidelines-2022 with the aim of providing mental strength and security to the students studying / residing in coaching institutes operating in the state. With this approval, students studying in coaching institutes will get a stress-free and safe environment.

Key Points

- In the guidelines-2022, providing psychiatric services to resolve mental stress and depression arising due to competition and academic pressure on students, complete protection of students admitted and residing in hostels, arrangements to strengthen mental health of students, establishment of adequate monitoring mechanism at district administration level, coaching students- Facilitation centers for girl students, better management of cleanliness, requisite action at the level of coaching institutes, organizing orientation programs for students and their parents studying in coaching institutes, cyber cafe facility etc. have been included in the daily routine of students.
- In this guideline, students studying in coaching institutes will be told about the career options available in case they do not pass the entrance examinations of IITs and medical institutes. Apart from this, a provision of easy exit policy and fee refund has been made in case of leaving the institute.
- A complaint portal will be created under the guidelines. Apart from this, police verification of all the personnel of the coaching center will be ensured in the new guidelines. The provision of maintaining data of all types of movement in residential coaching institutes

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is also included in the guidelines. Arrangements have been made in the guidelines to prevent any kind of false propaganda by coaching institutes. Penal action will be taken against coaching institutes for non-compliance of these guidelines.

- A state-level committee has been constituted by the coaching institutes to ensure the implementation of the guidelines. It includes senior officers of all related departments including higher education, school education, medical education, and home department. Apart from this, under the guidelines, District Level Coaching Institute Monitoring Committee has been constituted in each district, consisting of officials of various departments as well as parents, representatives of coaching institutes, NGOs and psychologists and motivational speakers and additional district collectors of the district.
- Taking serious note of the incidents of suicides by students studying in coaching institutes of the state, Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot has approved the said guidelines in compliance with the orders of the Hon'ble High Court till the implementation of the 'Rajasthan Private Educational Institutions Regulatory Authority Bill, 2022' made for effective regulation of coaching institutes.

Fourth National Lok Adalat

Why In News?

On November 12, 2022, Birendra Singh, Chief Justice of the Jaipur Bench of the State High Court under the aegis of National Legal Services Authority, New Delhi, inaugurated the Fourth National Lok Adalat for the year-2022 across Rajasthan in the premises of Rajasthan High Court in Jaipur.

Key Points

- On this occasion, Birendra Singh said that Lok Adalat's are the best medium to settle the disputes of the common man with mutual harmony and cooperation and cases are heard in the benches of Lok Adalat under the chairmanship of former and retired judges. With the benefit of the experiences of the former Judge, the disposal of these complaints becomes easy and easy and the Lok Adalat provides complete relief to the common man.

- He said that due to complex cases, the number of pending cases in the courts has increased, but in the Lok Adalat, the cases are resolved through mutual agreements, which will reduce the burden of the court. It is a cheap and accessible means of justice, where no one is defeated or anyone wins, but success is achieved by mutual harmony.
- He said that this time 480 benches have been set up, in which about 6 lakh cases will be heard and Rajasthan has been second in the entire country in the disposal of cases in the last Lok Adalat. Through the fourth National Lok Adalat, efforts will be made that Rajasthan gets the first place by disposing of more and more cases.
- It is noteworthy that in the last three National Lok Adalat's of this year, a total of 24 lakh 86 thousand 693 cases have been disposed of with mutual resignation.
- In the Fourth National Lok Adalat, 5 lakh 45 thousand 721 cases have been identified from across the state for disposal and a total of 480 Lok Adalat benches have been formed across the state.
- A total of 2017 cases have been identified by Rajasthan High Court Legal Services Committee, Jaipur at the High Court level and a total of 4 benches have been constituted. The benches are headed by former Justice SK Garg, Justice Prashant Kumar Agarwal, Justice Banwari Lal Sharma and Justice Govardhan Barhdar.
- It is to be noted that in order to facilitate access of litigants to Lok Adalat, with the inspiration of MM Srivastava, Judge of Rajasthan High Court and Executive Chairman of RALSA, Lok Adalat has been given a digital form by applying Ralsa-22 online Lok Adalat digital platform in Lok Adalat. While improving this, this platform has been made more simple.
- Apart from this, 'Nyaya Ro Sathi Mobile App' has also been made accessible to the public to keep the case in The Lok Adalat this time and through doorstep counseling and online video counseling, the Lok Adalat is being taken to the house and door of the litigants.

Rajasthan DigiFest and Job Fair

Why In News?

On November 13, 2022, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot concluded the Rajasthan DigiFest and Job Fair at government polytechnic college campus in Jodhpur.

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- On the occasion of the closing ceremony, Ashok Gehlot, while laying the foundation stone of Rajiv Gandhi Fintech Digital Institute, said that this institute will be built at a cost of Rs 672.45 crore, in which youth including students and startups will get a world-class platform.
- On this occasion, he released the Rajasthan Startup Policy-2022, which will encourage startups in the state, increase employment opportunities and also expand the investment sector. In this, special care has been taken for every category including SC-ST.
- The Chief Minister also inaugurated I-Start Nest Incubator Center at Jodhpur and Pali (virtual) for entrepreneurship, skill development among students. During this, the Chief Minister distributed symbolic checks of Rs 41.15 lakh as prizes to the winners of the School and Rural Innovation Challenge.
- It is notable that earlier incubator centers have been established in Jaipur, Jodhpur, Udaipur, Ajmer, Kota, Bikaner, Bharatpur and Churu in the state.
- The Chief Minister also distributed funds of Rs 1 crore to 12 startups of the state at the function. It is noteworthy that more than 3000 startups are registered under i-START, in which an amount of Rs 30 crore was distributed to them, which has brought investment of up to Rs 200 crore in the state and more than 21 thousand people have got employment.
- He said that more than 23 thousand youth participated in the three-day job fair in Jodhpur. In this, more than 3500 youth have been selected for employment by various companies. More than 9200 youth have also been shortlisted here, which is a big achievement. Packages worth lakhs of rupees have also been given to the youth in this fair.
- Principal Secretary, Information Technology and Communication Department, Akhil Arora said about Digifest-2022 that Jodhpur has immense potential for information technology and communication and the youth of Rajasthan have proved their talent in the country and the world with the far-reaching thinking and innovations of the government in the field of startups.

41st India International Trade Fair

Why In News?

On November 14, 2022, the Rajasthan Pavilion opened with a new look in line with this year's theme 'Vocal for Local, Local for Global' at the fourteen-day India International Trade Fair that began at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi.

Key Points

- The Rajasthan Pavilion was inaugurated by Rajiv Arora, Chairman, Rajasthan Small Industries Corporation (RAJSICO). On the very first day of the fair, the Rajasthan Pavilion remained the centre of attraction among the audience as a symbol of Rajasthani art and culture.
- On this occasion, Rajiv Arora said that the Rajasthan Pavilion established by Rajasthan Small Industries Corporation Limited (RAJSICO) at Pragati Maidan to spread awareness about the programs and policies of the Rajasthan State Government among the business world and the public will provide an opportunity for traders and viewers from India and abroad to understand the new opportunities to understand and invest in Rajasthan.
- RAJSICO Managing Director Dr. Manisha Arora said that this time RSIC as well as RIICO, BIP and Industries Department are participating in the trade fair. This international trade fair with both B2B and B2C components is one of the largest integrated trade fairs with participation from almost all the states and union territories of India.
- Director of Rajasthan Mandap Dinesh Sethi said that about 27 stalls have been exhibited by entrepreneurs who have come to participate in the trade fair from different regions of the state in the pavilion, in which the world famous handicraft products of Rajasthan, especially in Rajasthani handicraft items that have made a splash in the country and abroad, lac bangles, various items of women's makeup, Includes stalls of textiles goods, sheets and stocking products.
- A photo exhibition has been organized by Rajasthan Tourism at the main entrance of the pavilion, in which the famous tourist places of the state have been displayed. Exhibition has been organized by RIICO, RUDA and Rajasthali at the pavilion site, in which the details of the programs being run by the state

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government to promote industries and handicrafts in the state have been displayed.

- On the opening day of the Rajasthan Pavilion at the International Trade Fair, several business and film personalities including His Excellency Robert Maxian, Ambassador of Slovakia, Kadir Shah, Deputy Ambassador of Afghanistan, Patrick Ominio, diplomat from Kenya, visited the International Trade Fair.

MoU between Harishchandra Mathur Rajasthan State Institute of Public Administration (HCM RIPA) and Indian Audit and Accounts Department

Why In News?

On November 14, 2022, an MoU was signed between Harishchandra Mathur Rajasthan State Institute of Public Administration (HCM RIPA) and the Audit and Accounts Department of the Government of India to encourage and promote capacity building of civil services and government officers.

Key Points

- Harishchandra Mathur, Director General and Additional Chief Secretary Training, Rajasthan State Institute of Public Administration, Sudhansh Pant and Director General, Regional Training Institute, Audit and Accounts Department, Ashutosh Joshi signed the five-year **MoU** at HCM RIPA campus .
- Both the training institutes will cooperate in preparing various training programs related to various research projects, faculty cooperation, public administration and good governance and organize other programs with mutual consent during this five-year period.

66th State Level Hockey Competition

Why in News?

On November 15, 2022, Rajasthan Sports and Youth Affairs and Public Relations Minister Ashok Chandna

inaugurated the 66th State Level Under-17 Student Hockey Competition being held at Government Higher Secondary School of Gram Panchayat Lava in Sub-Division Malpura of Tonk district.

Key Points

- Highlighting the importance of sports, Ashok Chandna said that the environment of sports eliminates the trend of drugs among the youth and reduces crimes.
- He informed that more than 600 players in the state have been given government jobs by the state government so far. All the players have made the country proud by participating in the Olympics, Asian Games and Commonwealth Games. For the first time, the Rajasthan women's team has won the title by performing brilliantly at the international level in volleyball.
- He said that on the demand of the players and villagers of Lava, it has been announced to get the work done under Major Dhyan Chand Yojana for the construction of mini sports stadium in Government Higher Secondary School Lava and an amount of Rs 50 lakh has been announced for mini stadium on its behalf.

Online Portal for Academic Session 2022-23 of Ambedkar DBT Voucher Scheme

Why in News?

On November 15, 2022, Rajasthan Social Justice and Empowerment Minister Tikaram Juli launched the portal for submission of online applications for the academic session 2022-23 of the Ambedkar DBT Voucher Scheme run by the Department of Social Justice and Empowerment.

Key Points

- Tikaram Juli said that the department will provide Rs.2000 per month (for a maximum of 10 months) under the Ambedkar DBT voucher scheme as reimbursement for facilities like accommodation, food and water for students (who stay away from home and study at another place by renting a room or as paying guest) studying in all Graduate and Post Graduate colleges (only for academic courses- arts, science and commerce faculty) run by the district headquarters.

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- He said that the benefit of the scheme will be payable to the students of SC, ST, OBC, MBC, EWS and Minority studying regularly in undergraduate or postgraduate classes of government colleges in the academic session 2022-23.
- Under this scheme, 1500 students of Scheduled Castes, 1500 of Scheduled Tribes, 750 of Other Backward Classes, 750 of Most Backward Classes, 500 students of Economically Backward Classes and 500 students of Minority Classes will be benefited.
- The Social Justice and Empowerment Minister said that the system of submitting online applications of students has been implemented in the scheme. A detailed description of the general guidelines is available on the department's website <http://sje.rajasthan.gov.in>.
- He said that after thorough examination of the applications received online by the government college where the student is currently studying, the application form will be sent to the sanctioning officer (Departmental District Officer) and the approver officers will approve the complete applications received from the educational institutions online and the prescribed amount will be paid through DBT in the student's account.
- To be benefited under the scheme, according to the district-wise, class-wise and faculty-wise goals, approval will be given to the concerned Deputy Director/Director as per rules. The Assistant Director (District Magistrate) will be issued by the Social Justice and Empowerment Department. The candidate will be paid every month.

Foundation Stone of Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar Law University

Why In News?

On November 16, 2022, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot laid the foundation stone of Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar Law University campus at Dahmikalan, Bagru, Jaipur district of Rajasthan. This university will be built at a cost of Rs 387 crore.

Key Points

- Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot said that the purpose of establishing this university is to provide quality

education to the students of all law colleges. With the formation of a permanent campus of the university, teachers and students will get a better environment and the students of the colleges affiliated to this university will provide better services to the society by going to the legal and legal fields and will lead in providing justice to the victim.

- The Chief Minister said that only if strong law and order is established in the state, the victim will get justice with respect. In this sequence, reception rooms have been set up in all the police stations of the state and FIRs have been made mandatory. Now the complainants are going to the police station with respect and registering their complaint.
- It is noteworthy that Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar Law University campus will be constructed in Dahmikalan of Bagru in a total area of 26 acres. A total of Rs 119.21 crore was approved in February 2022 for the works of the first phase.
- In the first phase, administrative buildings, two academic blocks, guest houses, girls' hostels, boys' hostels, dining halls, faculty and non-teaching blocks, health care and other facilities are being developed in this campus.
- Minister of State for Higher Education Rajendra Singh Yadav said that there are 23 National Law Universities and more than 1650 law colleges in the field of law education. After Tamil Nadu and Karnataka in the country, such a university was established in Rajasthan with which all the law colleges of the state are connected.
- University Vice-Chancellor Dr. Dev Swarup said that as per the intention of the Chief Minister, 84 law colleges of the state have been affiliated to this university and more than 28 thousand students have been registered and this is an important step in the field of higher education.

8th National CoCDC Awards-2022

Why In News?

On November 17, 2022, Industry and Commerce Minister of Rajasthan, Shakuntala Rawat, on behalf of the Council of State Industrial Development and Investment Corporation of India (CoCDC), under the aegis of Rajasthan State Industrial Development and Investment

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Corporation Limited (RIICO) at Shikargarh in Jodhpur district, inaugurated the eighth Inaugurated the National CoCDC Awards-2022 function.

Key Points

- Minister Shakuntala Rawat, on behalf of CoCDC, honored the office bearers and entrepreneurs of companies, institutions, industrial establishments from different parts of the country by giving National Awards for their excellent work and remarkable contribution in various fields. Outstanding SIDC Award was presented to EDC Limited, Goa.
- At the ceremony, 50 entrepreneurs from Andhra Pradesh, Goa, Kerala, Karnataka, Jammu-Kashmir, Tamil Nadu and Rajasthan were honored for their best performance. Maximum 21 entrepreneurs are from Rajasthan.
- With the development and expansion of industries based on natural resources in Rajasthan, there are immense possibilities of investment in these and Rajasthan ranks first in the country in terms of production of crude oil in on-shop dealing.
- A Petroleum Chemicals and Petrochemicals Investment Region is being set up by RIICO in the form of Rajasthan Petro Zone in Pachpadra itself for the establishment of downstream industries based on the products of the Petroleum Refinery and Petrochemical Complex being set up at Pachpadra in Barmer district of the state.
- The industries minister said that recently the new Rajasthan Investment Promotion Scheme 2022 has been implemented in the state and it is the best among the schemes prevalent in different states, in which various facilities and concessions have been included for the enterprises with innovations and maximum practicality. Is. Sector specific policies, such as Solar Energy Policy, Electric Vehicle Policy etc. have also been implemented in this.
- One stop shop system has been implemented for enterprises with investment of more than Rs 10 crore in the state. Under this, officers of 14 departments are giving approvals to such enterprises at a fast pace under one roof in the Bureau of Investment Promotion.
- He informed that apart from transparent and excellent policy framework, convenient and investment environment, industrial infrastructure for industries has been developed at a rapid pace in the state and

RIICO will have at least one industrial area in each subdivision of the state. Last month, RIICO has launched 25 such industrial areas. At present RIICO has more than 400 industrial areas in the state.

- He informed that a new company Rajasthan Industrial Corporation Limited has been formed to develop Khushkheda-Bhiwadi-Neemrana Investment Region and Jodhpur-Pali-Marwar Industrial Area Industrial Township in the state under the Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor.
- Rajasthan ranks second in the country in terms of receiving investments from Indian and foreign companies. The new investment to be received by Rajasthan has increased by 535 percent to reach Rs. 2 lakh 37 thousand crore in the year 2021-22 as against Rs. From this point of view, Rajasthan is establishing itself as the best state in all the fields of industrial development, investment etc.

World Antimicrobial Awareness Week from 18 to 24 November

Why In News?

On November 18, 2022, Rajasthan Medical and Health Minister Parsadi Lal Meena inaugurated the World Antimicrobial Awareness Week (November 18 to 24) by flying balloons from his state residence in Jaipur and also released an awareness poster of antimicrobial resistance.

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- This program is being organized in collaboration with the Department of Medical and Health, Department of Medical Education and the development partner of this program, PATH.
- It is worth mentioning that World Antimicrobial Resistance Awareness Week is being organized in the state from November 18 to 24 as a global campaign by the World Health Organization to create awareness about antimicrobial resistance among the general public. This year's theme has been set by WHO 'Preventive Antimicrobial Resistance Together'.
- On this occasion, Parsadi Lal Meena appealed to the people of the state to keep their surroundings clean

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and consume quality clean nutritious food to avoid any kind of infection. Under the 'Chief Minister Free Nirogi Rajasthan Yojana', all types of IPD and OPD services are available free of cost to the people of the state in all government medical institutions.

- He informed that during this week, various awareness programs will be organized across the state to make the general public aware about antimicrobial resistance. Quiz and oath programs will be organized at the district level along with the state level programs, so that people are aware of antimicrobial resistance.
- Antimicrobial resistance is a condition in which disease-causing microbes, such as bacteria, viruses, fungi, and parasites, become resistant to drugs. In common parlance, antimicrobial resistance is the acquisition of resistance by a microorganism (virus, bacteria, etc.) to a drug used to treat an infection. As a result, standard treatments are ineffective or less effective, and this can lead to the spread of disease and death. Due to less effectiveness of medicines, this infection remains in the body and the risk of spreading to others remains. Due to this the cost of treatment increases and there is a possibility of increase in mortality rate.
- The World Health Organization has identified antimicrobial resistance as one of the top 10 threats to global health. According to data from the Global Antimicrobial Resistance Surveillance System, resistance to important antimicrobials is increasing globally.
- In order to make Antimicrobial Resistance Free Rajasthan, special efforts are being made by the Rajasthan Government to strengthen health services by taking historic steps. A special awareness campaign will also be conducted on social media during this week.

48th Junior Boys National Kabaddi Championship

Why In News?

On November 20, 2022, The Rajasthan team won the gold medal in the final of the 48th Junior Boys National Kabaddi Championship held in Haridwar, Uttarakhand.

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- In the 48th Junior Boys National Kabaddi Championship, Rajasthan team has won the gold medal by

defeating Haryana by a margin of 36-23 in the final. Rajasthan has got this gold medal in Kabaddi after 18 years.

- The four-day championship began on November 17 in Haridwar, Uttarakhand, in which around 600 players from teams from 29 states participated.
- Medals and blankets were presented to all the players as gifts by the Uttarakhand Kabaddi Association.

Kesari Singh Barhath Panorama will be Constructed in Shahpura of Bhilwara

Why In News?

On November 21, 2022, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot approved a proposal of Rs 4 crore for the construction of a panorama of freedom fighter Kesari Singh Barath at Shahpura in Bhilwara, the state.

Key Points

- Ashok Gehlot said that along with the construction of the panorama of Kesari Singh Barath, various construction works including the main panorama building, boundary wall, path-way, auditorium, library, audio-video system, various art works, entrance, statue and umbrella, inscription will also be done.
- From the panorama, the general public will get information about the work and personality of the brave revolutionary Kesari Singh Barhath. The younger generation will be educated and awakened towards their rights.
- For this panorama, Barhath Samaj of Bhilwara Assembly Constituency, Amar Shaheed Ku. The demand was made by Pratap Singh Barhath Seva Sansthan and Kesari Singh Barhath Smarak Samiti etc. According to their sentiments, the Chief Minister has given this approval.
- It is notable that Kesari Singh Barhath first rekindled the extinguished fire of revolution for the independence of the country in Rajasthan. Inspired by Swami Dayanand and great revolutionaries Shyamji Krishna Verma, Arvind and Lokmanya Tilak, he started making vigorous efforts for armed revolution.

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Rs 993.51 Crore Approved for Expansion of Jaipur Metro

Why In News?

On November 21, 2022, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot has given financial approval of Rs 993.51 crore for the construction of Phase 1-C of Jaipur Metro, taking an important decision towards making metro facility more accessible to Jaipurites.

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- This phase of Jaipur Metro will connect Badi Chaupar to Transport Nagar, whose total length is 2.85 km. It has 2.26 km. There will be an underground and 0.59 km elevated part.
- According to the proposal, after the construction of Phase 1-C of Jaipur Metro, metro will be able to operate from Badi Chaupar to Transport Nagar on The Delhi-Agra Highway, which will improve the traffic system of the city. Also, metro facility will be available to the common man till Delhi-Agra highway.
- It is noteworthy that in the budget of the financial year 2022-23, the Chief Minister had announced the construction of Phase 1-C and Phase 1-D while expanding the Jaipur Metro. In October 2022, financial approval of Rs 204.81 crore has been given for the construction of Phase 1-D of Jaipur Metro. At present, the metro is operated from Manasarovar to Badi Chaupar in Jaipur.

Comprehensive Exploration Program for Mineral Exploration

Why In News?

On November 22, 2022, Additional Chief Secretary, Mines, Petroleum and Water Supply, Rajasthan, Dr. Subodh Agarwal said that a comprehensive exploration program of mineral exploration will be carried out in **Banswara-Nathdwara belt, Rajsamand belt, Barmer and Udaipur belt of the state** with the financial support of Rajasthan State Mineral Exploration Trust (RSMET).

Key Points

- Dr. Subodh Agarwal said that according to preliminary surveys, mineral gold (gold) reserves are possible in

Banswara-Nathdwara belt of the state, mineral emerald in Rajsamand belt, mineral rare earth elements in Barmer belt and mineral phosphate reserves have been identified in Udaipur.

- He informed that it has been decided to conduct an extensive exploration program in these areas in collaboration with RSMET to assess the availability, quality etc. of mineral reserves in these areas so that blocks can be constructed and e-auctioned based on available reserves.
- He said that mineral exploration work will be speeded up in the state in a phased manner and according to the reports received, mineral blocks will be prepared and auctioned so that the exploration and mining work of mineral wealth available in the state can be speeded up. This will create a global identity with more investment in the mineral sector, more employment opportunities and more revenue in the state.
- Director Mines Sandesh Nayak informed that the auction work of mineral blocks has picked up pace in the state. Recently, e-auction of two limestone blocks in **Nagaur and Jaisalmer** has been done in the area of Major Minerals.
- RSMET Chief Executive Officer N.P Singh said that the trust is helping in the availability of basic facilities in the state. Apart from this, along with expediting the drilling work, efforts are being made to get the samples tested on time.

'Incentive Scheme for Girl Students Studying in Agriculture'

Why In News?

On November 22, 2022, according to the information given by the Rajasthan Information and Public Relations Department, **'Incentive Scheme to Students studying in Agriculture'** is being run in the state to ensure the empowerment of women and their effective participation in the agriculture sector.

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- Under this scheme, with the aim of encouraging girls who choose agriculture as a subject for study, an amount ranging from **Rs 5,000 to Rs 15,000** is being given annually to girl students pursuing PhD in the Faculty of Agriculture from class 11th.

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- The aim of the state government is that the girl child should study the latest techniques of the field of agriculture and get formal teaching-training, which will not only increase the income of their family, but they will also contribute to the prosperity of the state and the country.
- It is noteworthy that women play a leading role in the field of agriculture in the field of agriculture in the state from sowing to planting, drainage, irrigation, fertilizer, plant protection, harvesting, weed removal and storage.

Rajasthan Housing Board Selected for Scotch Gold Award

Why In News?

On November 23, 2022, Pawan Arora, Commissioner, Rajasthan Housing Board, informed that the Housing Board has once again been selected for the Scotch Gold Award in the housing category for innovations and rejuvenation.

Key Points

- Housing Commissioner Pawan Arora said that in the past years, through innovations like **'Wednesday auction festival'**, e-bid submission and e-auction, disposal of more than 16 thousand surplus properties, coaching hub, MLA housing, Mukhyamantri Jan Awas Yojana, AIS and Due to projects like SS Residency, Jaipur Chowpatty and successful efforts made for administrative reforms, Rajasthan Housing Board has established a new identity.
- The Housing Commissioner said that in the last three and a half years, Mandal has received many awards and honors from organizations like Indian Building Congress, National Real Estate Council New Delhi, Scotch Group.
- In the year 2020, under the 'Wednesday Auction Festival', 1213 properties worth Rs 185 crore were sold in just 12 days, 1010 houses were sold in just 35 working days in the year 2019 and the first 5 during November 2021 to March 2022 at Manasarovar and Pratap Nagar Chowpatty. The foot-fall of 6 lakh 10 thousand 670 people in the month has been recognized by the World Book of Records as an international record.

- Rajasthan Housing Board has got the distinction of earning this honor for the second consecutive year. After the 2021 Scotch Gold Award in the housing category, the Scotch Gold Award-2022 is another link in this direction.

Foundation Stone of 19 Government Nursing Colleges

Why In News?

On November 22, 2022, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot laid the foundation stone of 19 government nursing colleges at a state-level event in Pali. He also laid the foundation stone and dedicated various development works worth Rs 350.50 crore in Pali district.

Key Points

- Addressing the function, Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot said that the state government is establishing new dimensions of development in various sectors including roads, water, electricity, education, agriculture, medicine, social security. In this sequence, the foundation stone of 19 Government Nursing Colleges has been laid today. After their construction, the nursing students passing out from the colleges will provide better services in the state.
- The Chief Minister inaugurated virtual and shift nursing colleges in Barmer, Banswara, Kumher (Bharatpur), Bhilwara, Lalsot (Dausa), Dhaulpur, Dungarpur, Hanumangarh, Jalore, Jhunjhunu, Karauli, Nagaur, Nathdwara (Rajsamand), Pratapgarh, Sikar, Sirohi and Tonk. And by worshipping the land in Chittorgarh, he laid the foundation stone of 19 nursing colleges.
- The Chief Minister said that the state government has always given importance to Pali-Jodhpur region. There has also been a long-standing effort to develop these two cities as **'Twin Cities'**.
- Efforts are also being made to solve the drinking water problem in Pali city on priority. The third phase of Rajiv Gandhi Lift Canal has also been started by the state government, which will soon benefit Pali district.
- A large part of the Delhi-Mumbai freight corridor passing through the state passes through Alwar, Jaipur, Ajmer, Bhilwara and Pali. In the last term, Jodhpur via Marwar Junction to Rohat was also

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connected with this project. Industrial areas are now being developed on a large scale in this area. In the coming time, the Marwar Junction-Rohat-Jodhpur node of the Delhi-Mumbai Freight Corridor will be rejuvenated and this sector will play an important role in the industrialization of the state. The arrival of the refinery near this area will boost employment.

- The Chief Minister said that through the Chief Minister Chiranjeevi Health Insurance Scheme, the common man has got rid of the worry of expensive treatment. About 90 percent of households in Rajasthan come under health insurance, while its national average is only 41 per cent. So far, about 28 lakh families have been given free treatment worth more than Rs 3,177 crore under the Chief Minister Chiranjeevi Health Insurance Scheme.
- Under the Chiranjeevi Bima Yojana, the limit of Rs 10 lakh has been abolished in complex treatments like liver transplant, kidney transplant, cochlear implant along with free treatment up to Rs 10 lakh. Apart from this, accident insurance of up to Rs 5 lakh is also being given.
- The Chief Minister said that the state is emerging as a model state today due to the public welfare schemes of Rajasthan. Indira Rasoi Yojana for providing nutritious and delicious food for just Rs 8, Indira Gandhi Urban Employment Guarantee Scheme to provide employment to the urban unemployed, Indira Gandhi Urban Credit Scheme for interest-free loans, Mukhyamantri Anuprati Coaching Yojana for free coaching to economically weaker students, free of cost to the students of the state abroad. Many important schemes including Rajiv Gandhi Scholarship for Academic Excellence are being run for fee studies.
- The Chief Minister said that more than 1 lakh 25 thousand government jobs have been given by the state government so far in the current tenure. Recruitment to about the same number of government posts is under process and recruitment for 1 lakh government jobs has been announced.
- The government is constantly working to create employment in the private sector as well. Recently, job fairs were organized in Jaipur and Jodhpur. In this, the youth of the state got jobs on a good package. After the signing of MoU's worth about Rs 11 lakh crore in the Invest Rajasthan Summit, employment will be created in the state on a large scale.

Many Important Decisions Taken in Rajasthan Cabinet Meeting

Why In News?

In the meeting of the State Cabinet chaired by Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot on November 24, 2022, several important decisions were taken including giving more opportunities of promotion to the state personnel, promoting tourism of Rajasthan, amendment in **Rajasthan Civil Service (Absorption of Ex-Servicemen) Rules**, approval on the proposal of **Rajasthan Homeless Upliftment and Rehabilitation Policy**.

Key Points

- In this meeting, the cabinet has approved **Rajasthan Rural Tourism Scheme-2022**. This scheme, prepared in the cradle of the budget announcement for the year 2022-23, will give a boost to rural tourism. With this, employment will be created in the villages and rural handicrafts will be protected by the establishment of tourism units such as rural guest houses, agricultural tourism units, camping sites, caravan parks to be established in rural areas. At the same time, domestic and foreign tourists will be able to get acquainted with the rural culture of Rajasthan.
- Under the scheme, the provisions of setting up and operation of rural tourism units will allow units on a minimum of 1000 square meters on a 15 feet wide road and a maximum of 2 hectares of agricultural land. These units will not require land conversion and building plan approval. These include 100 percent exemption in stamp duty.
- The Cabinet approved the '**Rajasthan Homeless Upliftment and Rehabilitation Policy-2022**'. Under this policy, provisions have been made to provide roof with minimum space of 50 square feet per person, proper privacy and security to special category people like women, mentally challenged and sick. Apart from this, there are various provisions in the policy including providing basic necessities like drinking water, medical facilities, adequate fire safety measures and operating shelter homes for homeless persons. With this decision, education, skills and employment will be provided to the homeless and empowered.

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- In the meeting, the Cabinet also took a major decision to amend the Rajasthan Civil Services (Absorption of Ex-Servicemen) Rules, 1988. This will provide horizontal category-wise reservation to ex-servicemen in state recruitments. The amendment will also provide proportionate representation to SC/ST ex-servicemen in direct recruitments as a whole. Apart from this, proper representation of general candidates of backward classes (other than ex-servicemen) will also be ensured from the posts reserved for backward classes.
- It is noteworthy that after recruitment in the existing recruitment rules of ex-servicemen, they are adjusted in the category related to them. This system is reducing the selection of SC/ST ex-servicemen due to adjustment of ex-servicemen in their category. Also, due to the reservation fixed for ex-servicemen, the selected candidates are adjusted in their category, due to which such candidates of backward classes, who are not ex-servicemen, are also not being properly represented in some recruitments.
- In the cabinet meeting, Schedule-1 of the Rajasthan Computer State and Subordinate Services Rules, 1992 was amended. According to this, the existing provision of 50 percent direct recruitment and 50 percent promotion for appointment to the post of programmer can be amended to 40 percent direct recruitment and 60 percent promotion. This will give more promotion opportunities to the serving personnel.
- The Cabinet approved amendments to the Rajasthan Commercial Tax Subordinate Services (General Branch) Rules, 1975. Under this, the quota of promotion from tax assistant to junior commercial tax officer has been increased from 37.5 percent to 87.5 percent. With this decision, the personnel working on the post of tax assistant will get the benefit of promotion.
- The Cabinet has approved the proposal to amend the Rajasthan Civil Services (Revised Pay) Rules, 2017. Under this amendment, the creation of a new post of Joint Director in Rajasthan Prosecution Service, pay-level L-20 to L-21 for the post of Additional Director in Rajasthan Prosecution Service and new post of Chief Superintendent in Rajasthan Motor Garage Service (Pay Level L-17) will be created. This will provide an opportunity of additional promotion to the officers of Rajasthan Prosecution Service and Rajasthan Motor Garage Service.

'Dr. Ambedkar Utsav Dham Yojana'

Why In News?

On November 25, 2022, Rajasthan's Social Justice and Empowerment Minister Tikaram Julie told that under the '**Dr. Ambedkar Utsav Dham Yojana**', community buildings will be constructed in 568 villages of the state, whose maintenance will be the responsibility of the Gram Panchayat.

Key Points

- Minister Tikaram Julie said that this scheme has been implemented only on the villages selected in the '**Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana**'. In the pilot phase, 568 villages of the state have been selected for the construction of community halls or buildings.
- He informed that maximum 103 villages have been selected in Sriganganagar district. After this, community halls/buildings will be built in selected villages of 32 districts of the state including Bharatpur 68, Alwar 47, Barmer 33, Jodhpur and Dausa 31-31.
- Community halls, buildings will be constructed in each village at a cost of Rs 25 lakh each. The scheme is being run by the National Scheduled Castes Finance and Development Corporation, an undertaking of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment of the government.

Organization of Meeting for Establishment of Gem Bourse

Why In News?

On November 25, 2022, an important meeting was held under the chairmanship of Rajiv Arora, Chairman, Rajasthan Small Industries Corporation for the establishment of **Gem Bourse** in Jaipur, Rajasthan.

Key Points

- In this meeting, the representatives of the **Gems and Jewellery Association urged Rajeev Arishment** of Gem Bourse, exports from Jaipur will get a proper boost and new employment opportunities will be given to the youth.

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Deaflympics Medal Winners to Get Prize Money of Rs 7 Crore

Why In News?

On November 25, 2022, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot approved a proposal to give a total prize money of Rs 7 crore to three sportspersons from the state who won medals in **Deaflympics, 2022**.

Key Points

- According to the proposal, Abhinav Sharma and Gauranshi Sharma, who won gold medals in deaf badminton at the Deaflympics, 2022, will be given Rs 3 crore each. Apart from this, Vedika Sharma, a bronze medalist in deaf rifle shooting, will be given a prize money of Rs 1 crore.
- It is known that the state government gives prize money of Three crore, two crore and one crore rupees respectively to gold, silver and bronze medal winners at the international level for the encouragement of sportspersons.
- It is noteworthy that this prize money will be given to the three players by giving relaxation in the **Rajasthan Sports Grant-in-Aid Rules-2022** by the Chief Minister. With this approval, along with financial support to the players, all the players of the state will be motivated to perform excellently.

Online Pension Portal of Rajasthan Power Generation Corporation

Why In News?

On November 24, 2022, R.K Sharma, Chairman and Managing Director of Rajasthan State Power Generation Corporation, said that under the digitization campaign of the state government, the facility of online pension portal for retired employees has been started by Rajasthan State Power Generation Corporation.

Key Points

- R. K. Sharma said that there was a demand for digital facility by retired employees of the corporation to view pension details and download pension slips so that they do not have to come to office for these works.

- In order to provide pension details to senior citizens quickly, the IT department of Power Generation Corporation has been directed.
- The IT Department has started a facility in the name of Pension Details on the website of the Production Corporation. With this, pensioners can view their pension details in the financial year and download the pension slip.
- If there is a problem in viewing or downloading pension details, a helpline number has also been given by the IT department so that the problem can be resolved immediately.

Construction of Reservoirs on the Sei and Sabarmati River

Why In News?

On November 27, 2022, Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot approved a financial provision of **Rs 2554.23 crore** for the construction of reservoirs on **Sei and Sabarmati river in Kotra tehsil of Udaipur**. This decision of the Chief Minister will ensure drinking water supply in Pali and Sirohi districts.

Key Points

- According to the proposal, water from reservoirs being constructed on Sei and Sabarmati rivers will be released into Jawai dam through pressurized pipeline, gravity pipeline and tunnel.
- On completion of the construction of reservoirs, the drinking water system of 9 towns of Pali district (Pali, Rohat, Jaitaran, Sumerpur, Bali, Desuri, Sojat, Raipur, Marwar Junction), 560 villages and Shivganj town of Sirohi district as well as 178 villages will also be strengthened.
- It is noteworthy that in the budget for the year 2022-23, the Chief Minister had announced the construction of reservoirs on Sei and Sabarmati rivers in Kotra tehsil of Udaipur to ensure drinking water supply in Pali and Sirohi districts.

Rajasthan Ranks Third in the Country in Dealing with IED

Why In News?

On November 26, 2022, the Rajasthan Police team bagged the third position in the **National Counter IED**

Note:



(**Improved Explosive Device**) competition held at the National Security Guard (NSG) Manesar.

Key Points

- The Rajasthan Police team led by Deputy SP Narendra Singh of the Chief Minister's Security Cell, New Delhi, won the title in the competition held from 21 to 26 November.
- The Director General of NSG felicitated the Rajasthan Police team by presenting the trophy to Deputy SP Narendra Singh.
- Police and security forces from all over the country participated in this competition held every year at NSG Manesar, in which 16 jawans of Rajasthan Police performed well under the leadership of Deputy SP Narendra Singh.
- Deputy SP Narendra Singh said that in this competition, the counter IED capability of the state police and central security forces is tested.
- Narendra Singh said that during this competition, the skills of dealing with different situations are tested, in which different teams performed well by dealing with the situations arising out of the IED in their own way, on the basis of which the Rajasthan Police team got the third place.

Hari Singh Honored as Outstanding Artificial Insemination Specialist

Why In News?

On November 26, 2022, on the occasion of **National Milk Day**, Dr. Sanjeev Balyan, Minister of State for Animal Husbandry, Government of India, awarded the second prize to **Hari Singh Godara of Rajasthan's Ganganagar district** for his excellent performance in artificial insemination work, in a program organized in Bengaluru, Karnataka.

Key Points

- Minister of State for Animal Husbandry Sanjeev Balyan honored Hari Singh Godara with a cash prize of Rs. 3 lakh by wearing a shawl and a Kannada turban with a statue of cow and calf.
- It is worth noting that on National Milk Day, Animal Husbandry, Dairy and Fisheries Department of the

Government of India, under the '**National Gokul Mission**' scheme, animal husbandry, artificial insemination workers and milk producer cooperative societies, who have excelled in the field of animal husbandry, were honored with 'Gopal Ratna Award'. Gone.

- Hari Singh Godara of Sanghar village, Suratgarh tehsil of Ganganagar district, Rajasthan, started his services as an artificial insemination in the year 2019 under the Sahiwal Pedigree Selection Project run by Gangmool Dairy.
- So far, more than 1800 calves/calves have been born due to artificial insemination done by Hari Singh in 3000 Sahiwal cows. Hari Singh Godara has been awarded as an outstanding artificial insemination agent by the Government of India for having a success rate of more than 60 percent. Gopal Rana of Odisha and Machepalli of Andhra Pradesh bagged the first and third positions respectively in this category.
- It is known that this award is given to the farmers every year in three groups [Best Dairy Farmer rearing indigenous cattle/buffalo breeds, Best Artificial Insemination Technician (AIT) Award, Best Dairy Cooperative/ Milk Producer Company / Dairy Farmer Producer Organization Award].
- This award is given for the first, second and third places. The first prize winner is Rs 5 lakh, while the second prize winner will get Rs 3 lakh and the third prize winner will get Rs 2 lakh.

Safety Against Violation and Exploitation of Children (SAVE)

Why In News?

On November 28, 2022, Rajasthan's Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment Tikaram Jolly launched the innovation '**Safety Against Violation and Exploitation of Children (SAVE)**' as a pilot project from Alwar district of the state under the joint aegis of his department and UNICEF Rajasthan.

Key Points

- Speaking on the occasion, Minister Tikaram Jolly said that the objective of 'SAVE' innovation is to provide all kinds of basic facilities for the all-round development of children, mainly education, safety and health services.

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- He expressed hope that the campaign would be successful in Alwar. After that it will be implemented in the state. He said that Alwar district has been at the forefront of providing support to Divyanga's across the country by providing them benefits of government schemes through the Social Justice and Empowerment Department. The Alwar district administration and the office of the Social Justice and Empowerment Department of the district easily gave the benefit of schemes to the disabled people through the 'Nava Chaar Saksham Alwar' campaign.
- On being apprised by the farmers about the difficulties faced in submitting the study certificate every year in the dialogue, the Minister said that a portal will be developed in this regard, in which once registered, repeated submission of study certificate will be relieved. On this portal, the concerned educational institutions will be able to auto-update online. This system will be implemented in the state as soon as possible.
- In her address, UNICEF Rajasthan State Head Izabel said that **Palanha scheme** is proving to be helpful in realizing the dreams of children in the state. With this scheme, the needy children are getting opportunities to move forward through education along with protection and help.
- He said that UNICEF is working for child welfare in collaboration with the state government in Rajasthan. The campaign 'SAVE', which was launched as a pilot project in Alwar under the joint aegis of social justice and empowerment department and UNICEF, will be implemented in collaboration with the district administration and its citizens.
- Alwar District Chief Balbir Singh Chhillar said that the district administration and social justice and empowerment department in the district have set an example for the entire country in the field of Divyanga welfare by conducting a systematically competent Alwar campaign.
- Alwar District Collector Jitendra Kumar Soni said that 21 thousand Palanhar pension and 29 thousand Divyangjan pension are connected in the district.
- At the venue, 27 Divyangjans made the general public aware of the 27 flagship schemes of the state government through banners. Praising this initiative of the Divyangjan, Minister Julie said that with this step of this team of Divyangjan, the common people

will also get information about the schemes of the state government, from which the needy people will be able to take advantage.

500 MT Warehouse Inaugurated at Mandar Gram Seva Sahakari Samiti

Why In News?

On November 28, 2022, Rajasthan's Cooperative Minister Udai Lal Anjana formally inaugurated a 500 metric ton warehouse at **Gram Seva Sahakari Samiti Mandar** in Sirohi district.

Key Points

- On this occasion, Cooperation Minister Udai Lal Anjana said that the state is emerging as a model state today due to the public welfare schemes of the state government. The state government has established new dimensions by working in various fields.
- He gave information about the benefits and various schemes to be taken by the societies regarding cooperative societies and farmers' interests. He said that this warehouse will benefit the farmers of its surrounding area.
- He said that many schemes have been run by the Chief Minister for the common man, in which **Mukhya Mantri Chiranjeevi Swasthya Bima Yojana, Indira Rasoi, Crop Loan for Farmer Brothers, Indira Gandhi Urban Employment Guarantee Scheme** has ensured 100 days of employment to the common man in urban areas.

Craftsmen of Rajasthan honored with Shilp Guru and National Award

Why In News?

On November 28, 2022, at the grand '**Shilp Guru National Award**' felicitation ceremony held at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi, five proven handicraft artists of Rajasthan were honored with '**Shilp Guru Award**' and **fourteen best handicraftsmen with National Handicraft Award**.

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Key Points

- Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar and Union Minister Piyush Goyal felicitated the Shilp Guru Awardees with Gold Coins, Rs 2 lakh, Tamra Patra, Shawls and Certificates, and the National Award Winners were given a cash prize of Rs 1 lakh, a Tamra Patra and Certificates.
- The 'Shilp Guru Award', instituted in the year 2002, is given to the best master craftspeople who have done excellent work in the field of handicrafts for furthering the respective art by playing the role of a guru.
- Handicrafts Award winners named for the year 2017, 2018 and 2019 include **Vinod Kumar Jangir for the year 2017** for best workmanship on sandalwood, Mohan Lal Soni for miniature painting for the year 2017, **Mohan Lal Sharma** for the year 2019 **Asharam Meghwal** was awarded the Shilp Guru Award' for the year 2019 and Gopal Prasad Sharma for the best works in miniature painting for the year 2018.
- Fourteen eminent craftsmen from Rajasthan who have received the National Handicraft Award for outstanding work in the field of handicrafts are-
 - **For the year 2017** – Sunil Soni (Theva Kala), Shokat Ali (Utsa Kala) and Kamlesh Sharma (Tarakashi on wood).
 - **For the year 2018** - Omprakash Jangid (Workmanship on Sandalwood), Sunita Sharma (paper cutting art) and Premdevi Sonawa (Hand Block Painting).
 - **For the year 2019** - Gulab Singh (Silver Meenakari), Mohammad Sharif (Tie and Dye Art), Kamal Kishore Soni (Bone Carving), Shyamlata Gehlot (Koftgiri Art), Dwarka Prasad Sudhar (Wood Workmanship), Dinesh Kumar Soni (Work Painting)) and Neha Bhatia and Dharmendra Singh Bhalla (Kundal Jadai Meenakari).
- It is noteworthy that in the said felicitation ceremony, 30 handicraftsmen from different fields related to handicrafts nominated from all over the country for the years 2017, 2018 and 2019 were honored with

'Shilp Guru Award' and 78 handicrafts were honored with 'National Handicraft Award'.

'Mukhya Mantri Bal Gopal Yojana' and 'Free Uniform Distribution Scheme'

Why In News?

On November 29, 2022, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot launched '**Mukhya Mantri Bal Gopal Yojana**' and '**Mukhya Mantri Free Uniform Distribution Scheme**' from the Chief Minister's residence in Jaipur.

Key Points

- On this occasion, Ashok Gehlot unveiled the logo of Mukhya Mantri Bal Gopal Yojana and Free Uniform Distribution Scheme and also released the poster of the third phase of the state's growing steps in education, mobile app, efficiency-based digital report card and commencement of admission process of Bal Vatika in Mahatma Gandhi Government Schools.
- Under the Mukhya Mantri Bal Gopal Yojana, milk prepared from powder milk will be made available to children of classes 1 to 8 studying in government primary, upper primary schools, madrasas and special training centers benefiting from the mid-day meal program in the state on Tuesday and Friday. The distribution of milk will take place after the prayer meeting. Teachers, parents or school management committee members will taste the milk themselves and ensure its quality. Rs 476.44 crore will be borne by the state government on the scheme.
- Under the Chief Minister's Free Uniform Distribution Scheme, students of classes 1 to 8 in government schools will get cloth for 2 sets of dress. Rs 200 per student will be transferred directly to the bank account for stitching. About 67.58 lakh students are studying in government schools from class 1 to 8. The scheme will cost Rs 500.10 crore.



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