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State Finance Commission Launched Web Portal and Mobile App

Why In News?

On October 31, 2022, the Chhattisgarh State Finance Commission launched a web portal and mobile app to provide easy information from gram panchayats.

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- In order to prepare its recommendations on the basis of sufficient data and to get information from Panchayati Raj Institutions and Urban Local Bodies, the commission has prepared web portal SFC-eInfo and mobile app.
- The information of each panchayat will be easily available from the web portal and mobile app prepared by the commission. A huge database will be prepared from the information received from 11 thousand 664 panchayats. Which can be used at different levels of government.

- It is noteworthy that the State Finance Commission is constituted every 5 years to strengthen the economic condition of Panchayati Raj Institutions and Urban Local Bodies.

Chhattisgarh State Decoration Award

Why In News?

Chhattisgarh Governor Anusuiya Uikey and Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel honored various personalities of Chhattisgarh with state decoration awards for their achievements and contribution to the development of the state in the state decoration and Rajyotsav ceremony organized on the occasion of Chhattisgarh State Foundation Day on November 1, 2022.

Key Points

- State Decoration Awards and personalities awarded to them

Award/Honour	Honorable personality	providing department
Shaheed Veer Narayan Singh Award	Narayan Markam	Tribal Welfare Department
Pandit Lakhan Lal Mishra Samman	Laxmi Prasad Jaiswal	Home Department
Yati Yatanlal Samman	Madan Mohan Gaushala (Kharsia, Raigarh)	General Administration Department
Gundadhur Samman	Amitesh Mishra	Sports and Youth Welfare Department
Minimata Samman	Dr. Meera Shukla	Women and Child Development Department
Guru Ghasidas Samman	Khemchand Bharti	Tribal Welfare Department
Thakur Pyarelal Samman	Ashok Agarwal	Co-operative Department
Haji Hasan Ali Samman	Janab Yunus Khan	Tribal Welfare Department
Pandit Ravi Shankar Shukla Samman	Sitaram Agarwal	General Administration Department
Pandit Sunderlal Sharma Samman	Rameshwar Vaishnav	Culture Department
chakradhar Samman	Vedmani Singh Thakur	Culture Department
Dau Mandraji Samman	Jayanti Yadav and Pandit Ram (jointly)	Culture Department
Dr. Khubchand Baghel Samman	Kheduram Banjare	Department of Agriculture
Maharaja Agrasen Samman	Ishwar Prasad Agarwal	General Administration Department

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Danveer Bhamashah Samman	Gangotri Verma	Social Welfare Department
Bilasabai Kenvatin Fish Development Award	Rupchand Dheewar	Fisheries Department
Sanskrit Language Award	Dr. Balkrishna Tiwari	Department of Higher Education
Bhanwar Singh Porte Samman	Tukeshwar Kanwar	Tribal Welfare Department
Maharaja Ramanuj Pratap Singhdeo Award	NTPC Sipat and Paluram Sahu (jointly)	Labour Department
Bisahudas Mahant Award 2020-21	Anand Dewangan and Pancharan Dewangan (jointly)	Department of Village Industries
Bisahudas Mahant Award 2021-22	Rajan Dewangan and Krishna Kumar Dewangan (jointly)	
Rajarajeshwari Karunamata Handloom Promotion Award	Narasimha Dewangan and Sripati Meher Dewangan (jointly)	Department of Village Industries
Devdas Banjare Memorial Award	Dwarka Burman	Culture Department
Devdas Smriti Panthi Dance Award	Milap Das Banjare	Culture Department
Kishore Sahu Samman	Manu Nayak	Culture Department
Kishore Sahu National Ornamentation	Palash Vaswani	Culture Department
Dhanvantari Samman	Dr. Manoj Chouksey	Health Department
Barrister Thakur Chhedilal Samman	Dr. Priya Rao and Vivek Saraswat (jointly)	Law and Legislative Department
Chhattisgarh Pravasi Bharatiya Samman	Ganesh Tax	Culture Department
Lala Jagdalpuri Literary Award	life	Culture Department
Chandulal Chandrakar Memorial Journalism Award	Hindi Print Media - Dhananjay Verma	Public Relations Department
	Electronic Media Hindi- Amitesh Pandey and Dr. Vaibhav Shiv Pandey (jointly)	
Madhukar Kher Memorial Journalism Award (Print Media English)	Dr. K. N. Kishor	Public Relations Department
Pandit Madhavrao Sapre National Creativity Award	Sudeep Thakur	Public Relations Department

Third Tribal National Festival Inaugurated

Why In News?

On the occasion of Chhattisgarh State Foundation Day on November 1, 2022, Chhattisgarh Legislative Assembly Speaker Dr. Chief Minister Mr. Charan Das

Mahant and Chief Minister Mr. Bhupesh Baghel inaugurated the Third National Tribal Dance Festival at Science College ground in Raipur by playing nagada as per tribal tradition.

Key Points

- Before this, he lit the lamp on the picture of Chhattisgarh Mahtari and started the program with Chhattisgarh

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state song 'Arpa Pairi ke dhar'. In the festival, he also released a coffee table book decorated with beautiful memories of the tribal festival.

- As many as 1,500 tribal artistes from different states and union territories of the country, including 100 artistes from abroad, are engaged in the three-day National Tribal Dance Festival and Rajyotsava to spread the rainbow colors of tribal culture.
- The main stage, pandals and stalls have been attractively decorated for Rajyotsava at the Sais College ground. Here people will get a glimpse of the development journey of Chhattisgarh for four and a half years with the rich culture, tradition and folk arts of the tribes.
- Several states of India including Togo, Mozambique, Serbia, Indonesia, Maldives, Mongolia, New Zealand, Russia, Rwanda and Egypt will showcase their tribal dance skills for three days at the festival.
- The 3rd National Tribal Dance Festival kicked off with enchanting performances from Mozambique, Russia and Mongolia. The dancers from Mozambique were the first to perform at the reception. He presented a dance form to be performed on the occasion of harvesting.
- While dancers from Russia and Mongolia presented a fusion dance form. In this, the culture, customs, tradition, natural beauty of the place are displayed. Artists from Mongolia captivated with performances focused on the themes of Achievement in Hunting, Height Strength, Intuitions of Animals and Lifestyle.

Paddy Procurement Started in Chhattisgarh

Why In News?

On November 1, 2022, the work of paddy procurement started in Chhattisgarh under the Kharif marketing year 2022-23. Paddy procurement in the state will continue till January 31, 2023.

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- On the first day, 10 thousand 257 metric tonnes of paddy were procured by 775 procurement centers. Paddy was sold by 3 thousand 951 farmers in the first day.
- This year, preparations have been made by the government for the purchase of 110 lakh metric

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tonnes of paddy. This year 2497 procurement centers have been set up. 25 lakh 93 thousand farmers have registered for the sale of paddy. The total registered area of paddy is 31.13 lakh hectare. This year 2 lakh 3 thousand new farmers have registered.

- 5341 tokens were issued for the first day. Token 268 tokens were issued through Tunhar Hath App. Rs 279 crore has been released by Markfed to Apex Bank to make payment to the farmers for the first day's paddy procurement.
- After the implementation of Rajiv Gandhi Kisan Nyay Yojana in the state, the number of farmers and the area under cultivation has increased every year. Along with this, a new record of paddy procurement is also being made every year.
- In the Kharif marketing year 2021-22, 97.98 lakh metric tonnes of paddy was procured, which is a record since the formation of the state. Then 21 lakh 77 thousand farmers had sold paddy. He was paid a support price of Rs 19038.04 crore. Apart from this, they have also got the benefit of input subsidy under the Rajiv Gandhi Kisan Nyay Yojana.
- Earlier in the year 2020-21, 92.02 lakh metric tonnes of paddy was procured. Paddy was sold by 20.53 lakh farmers. He was paid a support price of Rs 17240.55 crore. Apart from this, he also got the benefit of Rajiv Gandhi Kisan Nyay Yojana.
- In the year 2019-20, 83.94 lakh metric tonnes of paddy was procured. Paddy was sold by 18.38 lakh farmers. He was paid Rs 15285.85 crore. Apart from this, he also got the benefit of Rajiv Gandhi Kisan Nyay Yojana.
- In the year 2018-19, the state government had procured 80.38 lakh metric tonnes of paddy at the rate of Rs 2500 per quintal. A total of Rs 20094.32 crore was paid to the farmers including support price.

Durg District Emerges Overall Champion in 22nd State-Level School Sports Meet

Why In News?

- On November 3, 2022, the 22nd State Level School Sports Competition concluded at Chandulal Chandrakar College, Dhamdha in Durg district of Chhattisgarh, in which **Durg district was the overall champion with 15 points.**

Key Point

- Bilaspur district stood second with 14 points in the 22nd state-level school sports competition.
- In kabaddi, Bilaspur stood first, Durg second, Raipur third in the boys' category and Bilaspur first, Durg second and Raipur third in the girls' category.
- Similarly, in kho-kho, Bastar first, Durg second and Bilaspur third in the boys' category and Durg, Bilaspur second and Bastar third in the girls' category.
- In the 19-year-old category, Surguja stood first, Bilaspur second, Durg third and Surguja first, Durg second and Bilaspur third in the girls' category.
- In the closing program of the competition, Cabinet Minister Ravindra Choubey honored the players with prizes.

State Level Roller Skating Competition

Why In News?

On November 6, 2022, Chhattisgarh's School Education Minister Dr. Premsai Singh Tekam rewarded the winners of the competition in the 15th state level roller skating competition program.

Key Points

- It is worth mentioning that the 15th state-level skating competition was organized from November 4 to 6 at Krishna Public School, Sarona, capital Raipur. More than 350 players participated in the event.
- The state-level competition was held for 120 medals in ring and road in various 6 age groups for boys and girls above 5 years to 17 years in inline and quad category.
- The event is recognized by the Roller Skating Sports Federation of India. Chhattisgarh's team will be selected from the winners of this competition. The selected team will represent Chhattisgarh in the 60th National Roller Skating Championship 2022 to be held in Bengaluru from December 11 to 12, 2022.
- This year some competitions were organized in Tenacity and Toy Skates to promote roller skating sports, due to which 75 medals were distributed to the new budding players. For this, 4 age groups were created in inline and quad players from 3 to 5 years old and tenacity and toy skates.

- School Education Minister Dr. Premsai Singh Tekam said that it is a matter of pride for Chhattisgarh that among the CBSE schools of the country, only Krishna Public School, Sarona, has 200 meters band track for skating and has been the National Board of CBSE Board for five consecutive years. The competition is also being organized at the ground of Krishna Public School, Sarona.
- To promote skating in schools by the Government of Chhattisgarh, it has been included in school sports since last year. Efforts are on by the Chhattisgarh government to create a proper skating environment in various districts of the state, in which new skating grounds are proposed to be constructed in Durg, Bhilai, Raipur and Bilaspur.
- The Education Minister said that this year a national level open challenge speed roller skating competition of skating has been organized, in which 1500 players of the country participated.
- Dr. Tekam said that Chhattisgarh secured first position by getting gold medal in roller skating competition of national sport held at Ahmedabad this year. In this competition, Raipur's player Amitesh Mishra has been awarded this year's 'Gundadhar Samman' by the state government for his best performance in skating in the country. NH in skating competition Kumari Lavanya Jindal, a class VIII student of Goyal World School, won three gold medals in inline skating.
- Similarly, Kumari Hemika Jindal, a student of NH Goyal School Class 10, won gold medal in both singles and doubles categories in the under-16 age group of the National Pickleball Competition held in Indore from October 7 to 9.

First Bird survey in Kanger Valley National Park

Why in News?

On November 7, 2022, Kanger Valley National Park Director Dhammasheel Ganvir said that for the first time, birds will be surveyed in Kanger Valley National Park located in Bastar region in collaboration with Bird County India and Birds and Wildlife of Chhattisgarh.

Key Points

- Director Dhammasheel Ganvir said that the work of Kanger Valley Bird Survey will be done from November

25 to November 27, 2022. In this bird survey, 56 bird experts from 11 states of the country have been selected.

- Participants from Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Kerala, West Bengal, Odisha, Rajasthan will participate in this bird survey.
- For three days, bird experts will inspect different bird habitats of Kanger Valley and survey the birds found here. Efforts have been made by experts from time to time to understand the relationship and habitat of birds found in different landscapes of the country with the Kanger Valley.
- This survey will help in national park management and will add new dimensions of bird watching to eco-tourism.
- It is noteworthy that Kanger Valley National Park, Jagdalpur is a unique treasure of bio-diversity of Central India. Kanger Valley is famous in the country and abroad for its natural beauty, bio-diversity, exciting caves. Birds found in the Western Ghats and Eastern Himalayas of India have also been seen here.

Special Initiative to Encourage Farmers to Cultivate Lac in Chhattisgarh

Why in News?

According to the information given by the Chhattisgarh Public Relations Department on November 7, 2022, according to the instructions of Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel, special initiatives are being taken by the state government in Chhattisgarh to encourage farmers to cultivate lac and increase their income.

Key Points

- In compliance of this, necessary arrangements have been made by Chhattisgarh State minor forest produce association with assistance for supply and sale of beehan lac/lac and availability of lac crop loan.
- In order to successfully implement the scheme in the state and increase lac production, lac production clusters have also been formed by adding 3 to 5 primary committee areas in 20 district unions.
- Under this, information about the demand of farmer-wise beehan lac will be taken by conducting a survey

in every lac production cluster. In these, the farmers will have to deposit the total amount required to supply the beehan lac at the price fixed by the union in advance in the district union account.

- Under this, the deadline for receiving demand from farmers for Rangini Beehan Lakh is fixed before November 10. In this, the deadline for depositing the amount from the farmers is fixed till November 15. In these, the deadline for receiving the demand from the farmers for Kusumi Beehan Lac is before November 30 and till December 15 for depositing the amount.
- In order to overcome the shortage of beehan lac in the state, the purchase rate has been fixed to purchase the beehan lac available with the farmers at a reasonable price. Under this, the purchase rate payable to the farmers for Kusumi Beehan Lac (obtained from Plum Tree) is fixed at Rs 550 per kg and for Rangini Beehan Lac (obtained from Palash Tree), the purchase rate payable to farmers is fixed at Rs 275 per kg.
- Similarly, the selling rate has also been fixed to provide beehan lac to the farmers. Under this, the selling rate payable to farmers for Kusumi Beehan Lac (obtained from Plum Tree) is fixed at Rs 640 per kg and for Rangini Beehan Lac (obtained from Palash Tree), the selling rate payable to farmers is fixed at Rs 375 per kg.
- In order to encourage farmers to cultivate lac, arrangements have been made by the state government to provide lac crop loans with free interest through the District Cooperative Bank. Under this, a loan limit of Rs 5,000 per tree has been fixed on nutritious tree Kusum, Rs 900 on plum and Rs 500 per tree on Palash for rearing lacs.
- A training centre has been opened in Kanker by the State Minor Forest Produce Association to carry out lac rearing in a scientific manner. The centre is also providing on farm training in lac production clusters along with 3 days institutional training.
- Kusum tree is very suitable in the summer season for good cultivation of lac rearing, but in the rainy season, the berry tree is suitable for kusumi lac rearing. Therefore, additional income can be obtained by taking 2 crops in a year by planting sweet plum in areas covered with kusum trees. In view of this, efforts are being made by the Forest Department to plant sweet plum on a large scale on the grass and private land of the farmers in kusum rich areas in the state.

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- In order to increase lac rearing in the state, young members of tendu leaf collector family, who are 12th passed, are being selected as 'Vandhan Mitra' and used on reasonable honorarium in lac farmer survey, training, beehive lac system and crop loan delivery etc. At present, about 200 Vandhan Mitras (lacs) are providing their services to lacs of farmers in various district unions.
- It is worth mentioning that lac is traditionally cultivated in different districts of the state and about 50 thousand farmers follow Kusumi Lac on Kusum and Plum trees, Palash and Ber trees.
- The state currently produces 4,000 tonnes of lac, with an estimated value of Rs 100 crore. The target is to increase the lac production in the state to 10 thousand tonnes and give an income of Rs 250 crore to the farmers. For this, an important decision has been taken to give lac crop loans with free interest to lac rearing farmers.
- Due to the decline in lac production across the country, the market rate of Kusumi Lac has increased from Rs. 300 to Rs 900 per kg at present. This is increasing the trend of farmers to increase lac farming.

Scientists Change Mutants of Six Paddy Species of Chhattisgarh

Why in News?

On November 6, 2022, Dr RK Vats, chairman of the Public Awareness Division of Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, said that the scientists at the centre have reduced the height of plants by changing the mutants of six paddy species found in Chhattisgarh. In such a situation, rain, hailstorm and thunderstorm will not have much effect on crops.

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- It is known that an exhibition of new species of paddy has been organized by the scientists of Bhabha Atomic Research Center in the Akash Tattva Conference held at Uttaranchal University in Dehradun. In the first phase, scientists at the institute have changed mutants of six paddy species found in Chhattisgarh.
- Similarly, scientists have also created new species by changing the mutants of eight species of moong.

- The species whose mutants have been changed to new species have been developed on the request of the Government of Chhattisgarh are CG Javaphool, TKR Kolam, Trombay Chhattisgarh Sonagakshi Mutant (TCBM), Trambe Chhattisgarh Dubraj Mutant (TCDM), Vikram TCR, Trambe Chhattisgarh Vishnubhog Mutant (TCVM) are included.
- According to Dr. RK Vats, scientist of the center, the mutants of paddy species have been modified through gamma radiation. After this a new variety of paddy was developed, which is different from the earlier one.
- It is worth mentioning that about 40 thousand species of paddy are found in the country. Of these, the highest number of 23230 species are found in Chhattisgarh, which is called paddy bowl.

Chhattisgarh Chess Player Kiran Agarwal Appointed Coach of Indian Chess Team

Why in News?

On November 7, 2022, the All India Chess Federation has appointed renowned international chess player Kiran Agarwal from Chhattisgarh as the coach of the Indian chess team. Earlier in 2004, Kiran Agarwal had achieved the distinction of becoming the coach of the Indian Chess Team.

Key Points

- Kiran Agarwal of the steel city of Bhilai will be a coach in the 16-member Indian team to be included in the Commonwealth Chess Championship to be held in Sri Lanka from November 13 to November 23.
- Apart from Kiran Agarwal, Praveen Thipsay, V. Ravichandran and Prasannajit Dutta have also been appointed as coaches of the Indian chess team.
- Kiran Agarwal is the only woman chess player from the state to be conferred the title of Women FIDE Master by the World Chess Federation. It is known that at the time of chess Olympiad, the torch relay was brought in Chhattisgarh, in which Kiran Agarwal also got the privilege of holding the flashlight.
- Kiran has proved her mettle with her performances while representing India in more than 15 major countries like London, Dubai, Germany, Yugoslavia, Bangladesh, Doha (Qatar).

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- In view of his achievements, the then Madhya Pradesh government awarded him the 'Vikram Award' in 1986.
- Chhattisgarh State Chess Association State Secretary Hemant Khute said that Vinod Rathi and Kiran Agarwal of the state are such celebrities of the chess world, who have proved to be very lucky for the country. In 2001, Vinod Rathi went to Athens (Greece) as the coach of the World Junior Under-20 Indian team, where the women's title was won by Koneru Humpy. At the same time, in the year 2004, Kiran Agarwal got a chance to go to Lebanon as the coach of the Indian team, in which the Indian team got a silver medal.

Maximum Purchase of Cow Urine in Janjgir-Champa District in the State

Why In News?

According to the information received from the Agriculture Department on November 9, 2022, under the ambitious 'Godhan Nyay Yojana' run by the state government, Janjgir-Champa district has so far purchased maximum cow urine in the state.

Key Points

- According to the information received from the Agriculture Department, Janjgir-Champa district is at the first place in the state with the purchase of 9 thousand 2 hundred 28 liters of cow urine.
- It is worth noting that as per the wishes of Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel, the ambitious 'Godhan Nyay Yojana' is being operated by the state government, due to which farmers, livestock farmers and self-help groups associated with the scheme are benefiting financially.
- Under the direction of Collector Taran Prakash Sinha, better implementation of 'Godhan Nyay Yojana' is being done in Janjgir-Champa district. In the district, Brahmastra (pesticide) and Jeevamrut (growth enhancer) products are being prepared from cow urine for pest control and growth, due to which the farmers of the district are getting benefited more and more. As a result of this, maximum cow urine has been procured in Janjgir-Champa district so far in the state.
- At present 106 farmers in the district are taking advantage of products made from cow urine, Jeevamrut

and Brahmastra, due to which the farmers of the district are getting rid of the costly chemical pesticides and they are getting benefited by using bio-pesticides.

- According to the information received from the Agriculture Department, till now 7 thousand 216 liters of cow urine has been purchased at the rate of Rs 4 per liter in Tilai Gothan of Akaltara and Khokhra Gothan of Nawagarh block of Janjgir-Champa district and Brahmastra is a product made from cow urine. It has been used in the fields of 106 farmers.
- Women of Aarti self-help group of Tilai Gothan of Akaltara block are making Jeevamrut and Brahmastra from cow urine. Women have made 200 liters of Jeevamrut and 9 hundred 11 liters of Brahmastra and sold 8 64 liters of products here. Similarly, women of Sagar Self-Help Group in Khokhra Gothan of Nawagarh block have so far made 9 hundred 74 liters of Brahmastra and 400 liters of Jeevamrut from cow urine and sold it.
- Farmers using Brahmastra and Jeevamrut products said that spraying of bio-pesticide Brahmast for pest control in paddy crop has resulted in effective control of pests and their crop health is very good.
- The farmers told that the growth of plants and the number of Kansa is more in comparison to other years due to Brahmastra and Jeevamrut. This has resulted in reduction of cost of production due to avoidance of side effects of chemical fertilizers and improvement of soil health as well as increase in the biomass in the land, and there is a good possibility of increasing stable production along with good crop health.

Chhattisgarh Government's Big Decision in the Interest of Students

Why In News?

According to the information received from the Chhattisgarh Public Relations Department on November 10, 2022, it has been decided by the Chhattisgarh government in the interest of the students that instead of issuing caste certificates to the students, caste certificates will now be issued once every year. The caste certificates issued to the students will be like permanent records.

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- According to the decision of the state government, in the directive issued by the General Administration Department to all collectors in this regard, it has been clarified that the recognition of permanent social status certificate (caste certificate) will not be limited by time, that is, it will not be timeless, it will be for the rest of the time. It is a permanent record in a way.
- There is no need to issue caste proof again and again. In case of loss of caste certificate, a duplicate of it can also be issued by the authorized officer.
- Collectors have been instructed that caste and residence certificates of scheduled caste, scheduled tribe and other backward class students studying from class VI to XII in all government, private schools and central board schools located in Chhattisgarh state should be distributed in their schools only while studying in their schools and the said camp should be continued continuously every year.
- Collectors have been instructed to issue caste certificates, residence certificates pending in schools by the next academic session. Collectors have been instructed to mandatorily send monthly progress reports in this regard to the General Administration Department (Reservation Cell).

MoU between Chhattisgarh government and ICCR**Why In News?**

On November 11, 2022, an agreement was signed between the Government of Chhattisgarh and the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) in New Delhi in the presence of Chhattisgarh Culture Minister Amarjeet Bhagat.

Key Points

- The main objective of this agreement between the Government of Chhattisgarh and ICCR is to develop bilateral cultural relations with other countries along with the development and expansion of cultural and tourism related facilities and building strong infrastructure in the state with the active participation of ICCR and the State Government.
- The agreement between the Chhattisgarh government and the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR)

will open up new possibilities in the field of culture and tourism in the state.

- With this agreement, the performance of participating artists from different countries will be possible in various cultural and tourism related programs organized in Chhattisgarh state. Similarly, exhibitions, art camps, seminars, conferences, workshops of performing arts etc. of art groups of Chhattisgarh state will be organized abroad, this will give international recognition to the art culture of Chhattisgarh.
- It is noteworthy that during the National Tribal Dance Festival and Rajyotsava to be held in the capital of Chhattisgarh, ICCR has played the most important role in inviting dancers from abroad and sending them back to their country honorably after the event.

'Nehru Ka Bharat.com' Website**Why In News?**

On November 14, 2022, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel launched the website of 'Nehru Ka Bharat.com' on the ideas, personality and work of India's first Prime Minister Bharat Ratna Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru on the occasion of his birth anniversary at <http://nehrukabharat.com> residence office <http://nehrukabharat.com/>.

Key Points

- It is worth mentioning that this website has been prepared by 'Policy Analysis, Research and Knowledge Foundation' (Park Foundation) with the aim of introducing the general public to the general public and taking it to the public with the ideas of Pandit Nehru and his 'Idea of India'. Under this, digital fortnightly bulletins are also being started.
- This website will have true and factual information on Pandit Nehru, freedom fighters and freedom struggle.
- The purpose of this website is to establish love, harmony, harmony, brotherhood and mutual trust among all sections of the society by providing truth and factual information to the general public and to protect Pandit Nehru's 'Idea of India' and Constitutionalism.
- The website contains the 'Idea of India' of the country's first Prime Minister and visionary Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, which contains his global understanding, world

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fraternity, humanitarian vision, scientific approach and secular thinking as well as inclusive ideology, his progressive ideas.

26 Schools of the State Honoured with Cleanliness Awards**Why In News?**

On November 14, 2022, on the occasion of Children's Day, the birth anniversary of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, the first Prime Minister of India, Chhattisgarh's School Education Minister Dr. Prem Sai Singh Tekam addressed 26 schools of 11 districts of Chhattisgarh at the Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Auditorium located in the Science College campus of the capital Raipur. Awarded the State Level Cleanliness Award.

Key Points

- The event was jointly organized by UNICEF and the Government of Chhattisgarh. In this, 20 schools were awarded for overall performance and six schools for best performance in sub-categories.
- Managing Director (Samagra Shiksha) Narendra Kumar Dugga said that the award is given in two categories, including overall performance in all sub-categories (total score) and best performance in each sub-category, namely water, toilets, washing, operation. Maintenance is given for capacity building and behavior change and preparation for Covid-19.
- School Education Minister Dr. As many as 20 schools were felicitated by Tekam for their overall performance in the programme. These include Higher Secondary School Aditya Birla Public School Ravan district Balodabazar, St. Xavier's P. S. Rajpur District Balrampur, Government High School Pali and Tagore International School Sakri District Bilaspur, Government Shiv Singh Verma Girls Higher Secondary School Dhamtari, Government Upper Primary School Potia and Swami Atmanand Government English Medium School, Kumhari District Durg.
- Along with this, Jashpur District Government Higher Primary School Duldula, Swami Atmanand Government Excellent English Medium Naveen Adarsh Higher Secondary School Jashpur, Government Higher Primary Basantala Jashpur, St. Mary EMS, Kunkuri, DAV Public School, Kandora, Kawardha District Government

Higher Primary School Paraswara and Government Higher Secondary School Bhagatpur, Korea District Kids Campus Public School, Hiragiri Haldibari, Mahasamund District Government Upper Primary School Kasekera and Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya Saraipali, Raigarh District Government Higher Secondary School Raikera, Raipur District BP Pujari Excellent English Medium School Rajatalab and The Great India School Arang.

- Similarly, six schools were awarded for best performance in sub-categories. These include Government Higher Secondary School of Village Pass of Kurud in Dhamtari district, KPS English Medium School and BSP Higher Secondary School of Durg district, Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya Kenapara of Koriya district, Kendriya Vidyalaya of Mahasamund district and Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya at Capital Raipur Mana Camp.
- School Education Minister Dr. "Tagore International School Sakri Takhatpur in Bilaspur district of the state has been selected for the National Swachh Vidyalaya Award to be held in New Delhi on November 19 by the Ministry of Education, Government of India.
- He informed that 39 schools across the country have been selected for the National Awards 2022. Nearly eight lakh schools across the country, including 55,217 in Chhattisgarh, have participated in the Swachh Vidyalaya Puraskar, 2021-22.
- Chhattisgarh state has secured the third position in the country with a record of submitting 97.7 per cent applications for maximum school participation in Swachh Vidyalaya Puraskar 2021-22.

Durg Corporation got First Place in the Country in Waste Management**Why In News?**

According to information received from the media on November 16, 2022, the Durg Municipal Corporation of Chhattisgarh has secured the first position in the entire country in better waste management, for which the Municipal Corporation has been awarded the CII 3R Award-2022.

Key Points

- The CII 3R Award will be presented in Delhi on November 30.

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- The Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) was established in 1895. It is a non-governmental, non-profit, industry-led and industry-managed organization in India. It plays a role in India's industrial development process.
- Durg Corporation has received this award in the field of better management, recycling and execution of waste produced in the city.
- It is noteworthy that the Municipal Corporation is doing better work in solid waste management under the principle of 3R-reduce, recycle and reduce.
- In this municipal corporation, wet and dry waste is segregated through door-to-door garbage collection in homes.
- It is known that apart from Chhattisgarh, municipal corporations, municipalities, nagar panchayats from all over India participated for this prestigious award.

'Sugghar Padhvaiya' Scheme

Why In News?

- According to the information received from the Chhattisgarh Public Relations Department on November 17, 2022, 'Sugghar Padhvaiya' Scheme has been started to develop skills according to their talent in the children studying in all government primary and middle schools of the state.

Key Points

- Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel had announced this scheme on the occasion of Children's Day.
- Under this scheme, schools will also get awards for developing excellent academic skills in children. Schools that get platinum will get Rs 1 lakh, gold schools will get Rs 50,000 and silver schools will get Rs 25,000.
- The objective of this scheme is to encourage teachers who do good work and perform well with self-motivation. Seeing them, more teachers will be motivated to work well. More and more teachers will be able to create a better environment by forming teams to do positive work.
- With the departmental officers taking responsibility for developing more and more schools in their respective areas as better schools, the image of government schools will show unprecedented improvement and government schools of the state will be able to show effective impact.

- This scheme is for all government primary and middle schools of the state. School teachers can join the scheme anytime by mutually opinionating. To join the scheme, the school will have to apply on the web-portal.
- All the teachers of the schools together have to develop academic skills in all the students of the school. Eligibility for the certificate will be only when the entire school is eligible for the certificate. There will be no certificate for any one teacher, one student or one class.
- The schools which will be included in the scheme will be provided on demand training and other resources on request for achieving the target. All the teachers teaching in the schools that will get the certificate will also get the certificate. The authentication will be announced on the web-portal immediately after the third-party assessment. The certificate will be presented ceremoniously on the occasion of Independence Day and Republic Day.
- All the students of the school will be assessed for all the academic skills accepted for the scheme and only if at least 95 percent of the students have class-appropriate academic skills, the school will get 1 mark for that class and that academic skill.
- If less than 95 per cent of the students get minimum academic skills according to the class, zero marks will be given for that class and academic skills.
- Clusters where more than 90 percent of the schools will get a certificate of any level of Sugghar Padhvaiya, Platinum, Gold or Silver will be given a certificate of 'Sugghar Padhvaiya' Sankul.
- Similarly, more than 90 percent of the schools of the development block, which will get the certificate of any level, such as golden platinum, gold or silver, will be given the certificate of Sugghar Padhvaiya Development Block. Platinum will be given on 90 percent or more marks, gold on 85 percent or more, but less than 90 percent marks and silver certificate on 80 percent or more, but less than 85 percent marks.
- If a school gets silver or gold certificate in this scheme, then that school can also get Sugghar Padhvaiya gold or Sugghar Padhvaiya platinum certificate by making further efforts. Continuous progress can be attempted in this scheme. In the scheme, all the schools can get the Golden Platinum Certificate by making efforts.

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Jal Jeevan Mission

Why In News?

According to information received from Chhattisgarh Public Relations Department on November 17, 2022, pure drinking water is being supplied under the Jal Jeevan Mission in rural areas of the state. So far, 16 lakh 42 thousand 479 household tap connections have been installed in the state.

Key Points

- It may be noted that a detailed review of the works of solar-based, retrofitting, multi-village and single-village schemes is being done from time to time by Jal Jeevan Mission Director Topeshwar Verma.
- He has given instructions to the officials to make arrangements for running water in schools, sub-health centers and Anganwadi centers, ISA training, wall writing, painting etc. to publicize the works of Jal Jeevan Mission in a time-bound manner. Along with this, instructions have also been given to ensure that the updated information of all the work in progress is entered in the IMIS portal.
- In the budget for the financial year 2022-23, a provision of one thousand crore rupees has been made in the Jal Jeevan Mission. Along with this, the target is to provide tap water to 23 lakh 57 thousand 744 rural households for the financial year 2022-23. So far, 6 lakh 18 thousand 491 rural households have been provided tap water in this financial year.
- It is worth mentioning that under the Jal Jeevan Mission in the state, fast work is being done to provide pure drinking water at the rate of 55 liters per person per day. So far, pure drinking water is being supplied through tap taps in 43 thousand 844 schools, 41 thousand 661 Anganwadi centers and 17 thousand 278 gram panchayats and community sub-health centers in the state.

State Level Personality Development Competition 2022-23

Why In News?

On November 17, 2022, the Chhattisgarh School Education Department organized a state-level competition

for personality development of children under 'Padhai Tunhar Duar 3.0' at the Pandit Deendayal Auditorium located in the Science College campus of the capital. Prizes were given to the winners of the five divisions involved in the competition.

Key Points

- In this competition of personality development, competition of essay, instant speech, painting, science project model, language and mathematics or speed mathematics, speed reading and general knowledge was organized.
- Earlier, this competition was organized in 5 phases from school to division level. The competition was held at primary, middle, high and higher secondary school levels. Around 200 students represented in the state-level competition.
- Managing Director of Samagra Shiksha, Narendra Kumar Dugga said on the closing occasion of state level personality development competition that challenges have increased in the field of education, considering these challenges as opportunities, children, parents and teachers will move forward together in the direction of continuous education.
- He informed that more than 47 thousand government schools in the state have been selected from 43 lakh children who have joined the competition.
- In the science project model competition, the first prize was awarded to Pratham Kevat of Bilaspur district, second to Mayank Balsaharia of Jagdalpur district, first to Akshat Vaishnav of Durg district and second to Nemichand of Durg district in high and higher secondary level.
- In the essay competition, Yamini Pandey of Bilaspur district, Bhavika Sonkar of Dhamtari district, Priya Larendra of Durg district, Rakesh Markam of Jagdalpur district, Diksha Manjhi of Jagdalpur district and Shivani Choubey of Durg district were awarded first prizes at the high and higher secondary level.
- Jyoti Sahu of Bemetara district, Akanksha of Jagdalpur district and Ragini Sapha of Durg district bagged the first, second positions at the pre-secondary level.
- In the painting competition, Ananya of Jagdalpur district first, Kanchan Vishwakarma of Bilaspur district, Ankita Ojha of Durg district, second at middle school level, Nupur Mali of Bilaspur district, Puja Jain of Kanker district at high and higher secondary level, first at

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middle school level. Second, Kamleshwar Sahu of Raipur district was awarded.

- Similarly, in the speed reading competition, Mohammad Numan of Raipur district, second Priya Sahu of Durg district, first Madhuri Patel of Balrampur district and second Sushmita Gond of Bilaspur district were awarded at the middle school level.
- Gautam Yadav from Surajpur district, second from Durg district, second from Durg district, second from Mahi Gupta from Ambikapur district and second from Bilaspur district, Mahi Gupta at middle school level got the first position in oral math's, speed math's competition.
- In the general knowledge quiz competition at high and higher secondary level, first prize was awarded to Pawan Kumar of Durg district and second to Devendra Kumar of Bilaspur district.

Best Inland State Award for Fisheries

Why In News?

According to the information given by the Chhattisgarh Public Relations Department on November 18, 2022, Chhattisgarh has been selected for the Best Inland State Award in the field of fisheries in the country. The award will be given to Chhattisgarh on November 21 in the Union Territory of Daman.

Key Points

- According to information received from the Fisheries Department, this award is given by the National Fisheries Development Board on the occasion of World Fisheries Day.
- It is known that the fisheries industry in the state is based on fisheries, in which 'major carp' fish plays an important role. The state's 91,928 ponds (1.094 lakh hectares) are the mainstay of culture fisheries. 92 percent of its water area is under fisheries.
- In the year 2020-21, there was 5.77 lakh tonnes of fish production in the state, which was 1.39 lakh tonnes in the year 2007-08. From the year 2007-08 to 2020-21, a total increase of 315 percent was registered in fish production.
- Interest among farmers in fisheries has increased. While a small number of farmers took the help of the

government to build ponds for fisheries in 2012-13, thousands of people have shown interest in it in the last few years.

- At present, 2.20 lakh people of the state are engaged in fisheries and 318 lakh man-days of employment is being created.
- In the state, 88,671 rural pond water area 1.094 hectare and 1,770 irrigation reservoir 0.826 lakh hectare water area, total 1.920 lakh hectare water area is available for fish farming in 2021-22. Out of the available water area till the year 2021-22, 1.812 lakh hectare water area, rural pond 1.011 lakh and irrigation reservoir 0.801 lakh hectare water area have been brought under fisheries.
- It is worth mentioning that the Fisheries Department is working to provide training to the rural people of the state by giving technical guidance to make them financially self-reliant. The fish also provides seeds. The schemes of the government are giving a new shape to the nature of the village today.

47th Sub Junior National Basketball Championship

Why In News?

On November 21, 2022, Chhattisgarh basketball team has secured fifth position in the 47th Sub Junior National Basketball Championship held at Kangra in Himachal Pradesh.

Key Points

- In this competition, the players of Chhattisgarh played brilliantly and improved their 11th ranking to the 5th rank.
- Chhattisgarh lost 47-42 to Karnataka in a challenging match in their quarter-finals. Chhattisgarh's girls' team defeated Kerala 41-35 to finish fifth in the sub-junior nationals.
- The Chhattisgarh Junior National Girls Basketball Team consisted of Asha (Captain), Antara, Divya, Sara, Reha, Amudini, Devika, Aastha Soni, Chhavi, Shubhangi, Aksara, Jenny.
- It is noteworthy that in this competition, the Chhattisgarh girls team defeated strong teams like Kerala, Gujarat, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan and Goa.

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- The girls performed excellently and made a place in the upper class category by taking long jump from 11th position to 5th position in the country, which will help them a lot in the upcoming national competitions.

Documentary Film on Haat Bazar Clinic Scheme

Why In News?

- On November 21, 2022, Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel released a documentary film prepared by WHO on the Haat Bazar Clinic Scheme of the Chhattisgarh government in a program organized at his residence office. The film will be screened at the World Health Organization's headquarters in Geneva.

Key Points

- WHO representative Dr. Hilde D. Greve, present on the occasion, said that the last person of the state is getting the benefit of the Chief Minister's Haat Bazar Clinic Scheme. This innovation is not there in any other state of the country. Keeping these things in mind, WHO has produced this documentary film, so that this scheme can be promoted not only in other states but also in foreign countries.
- WHO representative Dr. Hilde D. Greve said that the last person of the state is getting the benefit of the Chief Minister's Haat Bazar Clinic Scheme. This innovation is not in any other state of the country. Keeping these things in mind, WHO has produced this documentary film, so that this scheme will be propagated not only in other states but also abroad.
- Chief Minister Mr. Bhupesh Baghel has taken a commendable initiative through this scheme to provide health facilities to the people of remote areas with sensitivity.
- Chief Minister Mr. Bhupesh Baghel said that so far more than 62 lakh 47 thousand people have been provided medical facilities through Haat Bazar Clinic Scheme.
- Today, the last person of Vananchal region is also getting the benefit of this scheme. Those who could not get their treatment due to distance from the hospital are getting treatment through this scheme near their homes today.
- The Haat-Bazar Clinic Scheme has played an effective role in the success of malaria-free Bastar campaign and

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Mukhya Mantri Suposhan Yojana. With the operation of this scheme, the cases of diarrhea in Bastar have reduced significantly.

- It is known that 1798 Haat Bazaar Clinic Scheme is being operated in the state with the help of 429 medical mobile vehicles. So far, more than 62 lakh 47 thousand people have been provided medical facilities in the last 4 years through more than 1 lakh 28 thousand Haat Bazaar Clinics.
- Under the Haat Bazar Clinic Scheme, 10 types of tests and 60 types of medicines are being given free of cost. Under this scheme, medicines were distributed to more than 57 lakh 35 thousand people and more than 25 lakh people have undergone pathology tests.
- In the Hot Bazaar Clinic scheme, pregnant mothers are being tested, infectious and non-communicable diseases are being tested, eye disease testing, malnutrition testing, skin diseases, diabetes, TB, leprosy, high blood pressure and HIV testing and family planning advice are being given to the people. Vaccination of infants and pregnant women is also being done in these clinics.
- Health Secretary R. Prasanna said that under this scheme, patients are being sent to the nearest Primary Health Center, Community Health Center, District Hospital and Medical College for referral treatment as per the requirement. The number of patients coming to the Haat Bazaar clinic has increased from 18 to 72 in the last 4 years.

Chief Minister inaugurates Dialysis Unit at Rajnandgaon District Hospital

Why In News?

On November 22, 2022, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel inaugurated a dialysis unit constructed at a cost of Rs 50 lakh at Rajnandgaon District Hospital (Basantpur).

Key Points

- With the launch of dialysis unit in Rajnandgaon district, free health facilities will be available to the patients. The establishment of 5 dialysis units in this hospital will also benefit patients from remote forest areas and other districts.

- It is noteworthy that when diabetes and high blood pressure increase, this disease becomes serious and the kidneys stop working properly. It costs a lot to treat this disease. This dialysis unit will prove to be effective in relieving this problem.

Scotch Award for 'Mor Mayaru Guruji' Program

Why In News?

On November 23, 2022, the 'Mor Mayaru Guruji' program run by the Chhattisgarh State Commission for Protection of Child Rights was selected for the Scotch Award (Silver). The award will be presented to the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights in New Delhi.

Key Points

- The state commission for protection of child rights was announced to receive the Scotch Award at an online event. Many states from all over the country participated in it.
- From Chhattisgarh, **Chhattisgarh State Child Rights Protection Commission Chairperson Mrs. Tejkunwar Netam, members Mrs. Pushpa Patle, Mrs. Asha Santosh Yadav, Mrs. Sangeeta Gajbhiye, Mr. Sonal Kumar Gupta, Mr. Augustine Bernard and Secretary Mr. Prateek Khare** also participated in the program.
- It is noteworthy that this honor is given by the Scotch institution after evaluation in a phased manner at about 7 levels from enrollment to the final stage.
- It is worth mentioning that through the 'Mor Mayaru Guruji' program of Chhattisgarh State Commission for Protection of Child Rights, teachers are trained in an interesting way through sports and other activities to protect child rights. Through this program, the Commission has trained about 2 thousand teachers of the state.
- This program has been designed in an interesting way. Its duration has been kept only 2 to 3 hours, so that teachers can easily accept it.
- The commission believes that the relationship between a teacher and a child lasts from **5 years to 12 years** and in the meanwhile the personality of the teacher has a deep impact on the children. Keeping this in mind, including child rights, what things have to be emphasized and what shortcomings have to be

rectified by teachers while talking to children and teaching, all these topics have been included in the program 'Mor Mayaru Guruji'.

New Fisheries Policy

Why In News?

In the meeting of the Council of Ministers held under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel on November 24, 2022, the amendment was approved in the **new fisheries policy of Chhattisgarh** state keeping in mind the interests of fishermen.

Key Points

- In order to preserve the demand and interests of the **fishermen community, the new fisheries policy has decided to lease out ponds and reservoirs** instead of auctioning them for fish farming and give priority to the people of hereditary-traditional fishermen community.
- Provision has been made to connect more and more fishermen with livelihood by reducing the water area allocation limit of ponds and irrigation reservoirs by **50 percent**.
- Reducing the allocated water area limit condition from the value per member will double the number of fish farmers benefited.
- According to the revised new fisheries policy, ponds and irrigation reservoirs for fisheries will no longer be auctioned, but will be given on a **10-year lease**.
- In the allotment of pond and reservoir, priority will be given to **Dhimar, Nishad, Kenwat, Kahar, Kahra, Mallah's fishermen group** and fisheries cooperative society in general area and Scheduled Tribe fishermen group and fisheries cooperative society in scheduled tribe notified area.
- Fisherman means a person who earns his livelihood, fishing, fishing or fish seed production, under which priority is proposed to be given to hereditary-traditional **Dhivar (Dhimar), Nishad (Kenwat), Kahar, Kahra, Mallah**.
- Similarly, fishermen groups and fisheries cooperative societies or fishermen individuals will be allotted half a hectare of water area instead of a maximum of one hectare in case of rural pond and two hectares of water area per member/per person in place of four hectares in case of irrigation reservoir.

- Till now, the audit of the committees formed for fisheries was done only by the Cooperative Department. Now in the revised new fisheries policy, the responsibility of joint team audit of cooperation and fisheries department has been given.
- Under the three-tier panchayat system, the gram panchayat will have the right to allot ponds and irrigation reservoirs of zero to 10 hectare average water area on lease for 10 years.
- District Panchayat more than **10 hectare and up to 100 hectare**, District Panchayat more than **100 hectare and up to 200 hectare** average water area, fishery department lease more than **200 hectare and 1000 hectare** average water area reservoir, barrage to fishermen group and fisheries cooperative society But will give
- All the water areas under the urban body will be under the urban body, which will be allotted on lease for 10 years as per the policy of the government.

Important Decisions Taken in the Meeting of Chhattisgarh Council of Ministers

Why In News?

In the meeting of the Council of Ministers held under the chairmanship of Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel on November 24, 2022, several other important decisions including the decision to amend the Chhattisgarh **District Mineral Institute Rules, 2015** were taken.

Key Points

- It has been decided to amend the Chhattisgarh District Mineral Institute Rules 2015 regarding the restriction of fixed percentage of the amount received in the trust fund for expenditure on infrastructure work edited by the District Mineral Institute Trust. Under this, the provision of spending **20 percent of the amount** available in other priority heads of DMF in the general area and **40 percent** in the notified area has been abolished, this will speed up the work of infrastructure, which will accelerate social and economic development in the state.
- The products will be manufactured by forest produce-based industries set up on the basis of tripartite MoU

signed between the State Government Chhattisgarh State Forest Produce Association and private investors. Under the Chhattisgarh Herbal Brand, the government has decided to sell through Sanjeevani and other means while purchasing with a discount of 40 percent.

- As a result of this decision, those industries who want to manufacture forest produce-based products will get a boost. Along with this, good quality products will be sold under Chhattisgarh Herbal.
- The proposal of Chhattisgarh Public Service, Reservation for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and **Other Backward Classes Amendment Bill 2022** was approved.
- The proposal for reservation amendment bill in admission to Chhattisgarh educational institution was approved.
- The Chhattisgarh Appropriation Bill 2022 was approved for the assembly's deputation of the second supplementary estimate year 2022-23 .
- The proposal to extend the prescribed period from December 31, 2017 to December 31, 2018 for withdrawal of cases of ordinary nature pending in various courts of the state in public interest was approved.
- The proposal of the Chief Minister to increase the voluntary grant amount from Rs 70 crore to Rs 110 crore was approved.
- According to the amendment of the Government of India, the amendment proposal submitted by the Revenue and Disaster Management Department in the Revenue Book Circular Section 6 No. 4 was approved.

Seventh Phase of Malaria-Free Chhattisgarh Campaign

Why In News?

According to the information received by the Chhattisgarh Public Relations Department on November 25, 2022, the seventh phase of '**Malaria Free Chhattisgarh Campaign**' in the state will start from December 1. The campaign will be conducted for a month in four malaria sensitive districts of the state namely Bijapur, Dantewada, Narayanpur and Sukma.

Key Points

- It is worth mentioning that this campaign is being run continuously in the state to achieve the goal of a complete malaria-free state by taking malaria cases to the lowest level.

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- The last six phases of malaria-free Chhattisgarh campaign in the state have yielded good results. The **annual parasite index (API rate)** in the state was **2.63 in 2018**, which has now come down to **0.92**. Along with Bastar, the rate of malaria infection in the whole of Chhattisgarh has reached the lowest level so far.
- In the sixth phase of Malaria-Free Chhattisgarh Campaign, the health department team went to 7 lakh 6 thousand houses and tested 33 lakh 96 thousand 998 people for malaria. During this time, people found to be malaria were also treated immediately.
- In the seventh phase starting from December 1, the health department team will reach door-to-door in inaccessible and remote areas surrounded by dense forests and mountains of four districts of Bastar division Bijapur, Dantewada, Narayanpur and Sukma and check malaria in all the people. During this time, those found positive will be fed malaria medicine immediately.
- Under the Malaria-Free Chhattisgarh Campaign, along with the investigation and treatment of malaria, public awareness related activities will also be conducted to prevent it. During this time, people will be encouraged to use mosquito nets daily. Also, DDT or burnt oil will be sprayed in the water and drains collected around the houses. Measures to maintain cleanliness around the house and prevent mosquitoes from breeding will also be told to the people.

NQAS Certification at Sub Health Center Level

Why In News?

On November 27, 2022, the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare issued the NQAS certificate after inspection and evaluation of Amleshwar in Durg district and Nisda Health and Wellness Center sub health center in Raipur district. With this, Chhattisgarh became the fourth state in the country to get **NQAS (National Quality Assurance Standard) certification** at the sub-health center level.

Key Points

- Amleshwar Health and Wellness Centre Sub Health Centre has scored 94 percent and Nisda 93 Percent in the evaluation of services by the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. Both the health centres were evaluated by the central team in July this year.

- Health and Wellness Centre National Quality Assurance Standard Certification of sub-health centres is done on the basis of 12 standards. For this, the quality of parameters such as service delivery, patient satisfaction, clinical services, inputs, infection control, support services, quality management, output is evaluated by the organization. Quality certificates are issued by the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare only to hospitals that meet the assessment.
- The objective of national quality assurance standard certification is to provide quality health facilities to the general public by strengthening the facilities of hospitals.
- Amleshwar's Health and Wellness Centre has become the first National Quality Assurance Certified Sub Health Centre in Chhattisgarh state.
- Telemedicine facility is available in the hospital here. Through this, diseases are not only tested at the local level, but medical examination of the patients is done by connecting to the big hospital through teleconferencing. For example, in the case of mental illness, experts from NIMHANS, Bengaluru, a well-known organization of the country, join. Similarly, in other diseases too, there is constant contact with the health centers.
- Due to good treatment, people come a lot and help in marking diseases like heart disease, cancer etc. early. Along with this, institutional delivery facility is also available here.
- It is worth mentioning that so far a total of 57 hospitals in the state have received the National Quality Assurance Standard Certificate. These include ten district hospitals, seven community health centres, 26 primary health centres, 12 urban primary health centers and two sub health centres.

Chhattisgarhi Magazine 'Arai Tutari' and Song Collection 'Chandan As Mor Gaon Ke Mati'

Why In News?

On November 28, 2022, Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel released Chhattisgarhi monthly magazine '**Arai Tutari**' and Chhattisgarhi song collection '**Chandan As Mor Gaon Ke Mati**' at his residence office on Chhattisgarhi Rajbhasha Diwas.

Key Points

- Members of the editorial team of monthly magazine 'Arai Tutari' told the Chief Minister that 'Arai Tutari' is the first monthly magazine of Chhattisgarhi language. In this, articles related to various dimensions of Chhattisgarh's culture such as **festivals, folk dances, tourist places, cinema, literature** etc. have been collected in Chhattisgarhi language.
- Champeshwar Goswami, the lyricist of Chhattisgarhi song collection 'Chandan As Mor Gaon Ke Mati' told the Chief Minister that through this collection he has given the shape of a book to his 72 songs written in Chhattisgarhi language.
- Apart from this, the Chief Minister honored 13 litterateurs of the state in a program organized by the Culture and Archaeology Department in view of their service to Chhattisgarhi language. The Chief Minister also released the works of 10 litterateurs of Chhattisgarhi language.
- The Chief Minister addressed the gathering among others. J.R. Soni (Durg), P.C. Lal Yadav (Sakti), Sorin Chandrasen (Mahasamund), Parmanand Verma (Khairagarh), Budhram Yadav (Bilaspur), Ranjit Sarathi (Surguja), Dr. Shail Chandra and Duman Lal (Dhamtari) and Rudra Narayan Panigrahi (Jagdalpur) were honoured for their special contribution towards Chhattisgarhi language.
- Chief Minister Jageshwar Prasad, Rameshwar Sharma, Durga Prasad Parkar, Ramnath Sahu (all Raipur), Dr. JR Soni (Durg), PC Lal Yadav (Sakti), Sorin Chandrasen (Mahasamund), Parmanand Verma (Khairagarh), Budhram Yadav (Bilaspur), Ranjit Sarathi (Surguja), Dr. Shail Chandra and Duman Lal (Dhamtari) and Rudra Narayan Panigrahi (Jagdalpur) were honored for their special contribution towards Chhattisgarhi language.

Arrangement of Free Dialysis for Kidney Patients

Why In News?

According to information received from the Chhattisgarh Public Relations Department on November 28, 2022, on the initiative of Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel, free dialysis has been arranged in nine districts of the state for kidney patients.

Key Points

- This service of the state government is being provided free of cost to sick patients of every class. So far, more than 13 thousand free dialysis sessions have been conducted in the state.
- National Health Mission Chhattisgarh is providing free dialysis facility in nine districts of the state Durg, Kanker, Korba, Bilaspur, Jashpur, Surguja, Mahasamund, Bijapur and Rajnandgaon. For this, five machines each have been installed in Jashpur, Durg and Kanker districts, four each in Ambikapur and Mahasamund, six in Korba, three in Bijapur and four in Bilaspur (three in SIMS Medical College and one in Bilaspur Covid Hospital).
- It is noteworthy that under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel, the Chhattisgarh government is running many schemes related to health facilities for the convenience of the public. Through these schemes, medicines and free better health facilities are being made available to the common man at a cheaper rate.
- Patients who have to undergo dialysis due to kidney disease have to spend one thousand rupees to 15 thousand rupees to get dialysis done once in private hospitals. Keeping this in mind, the Chief Minister has made arrangements for free dialysis in nine districts of the state for patients suffering from kidney disease.
- So far, 13 thousand 798 free dialysis sessions have been done in these nine district hospitals in the state. Of these, 4,885 sessions have been held in Durg district, 4,872 in Korba, 4,230 in Kanker, 3,504 in Bilaspur, 2,631 in Mahasamund, 1,390 in Surguja, 942 in Bijapur and more than 675 in Jashpur.

One More Tiger Found in Indravati Tiger Reserve

Why In News?

According to information received from Chhattisgarh public relations department on November 28, 2022, the **total number of tigers in Indravati Tiger Reserve Bijapur has now increased from 5 to 6**.

Key Points

- A photograph of a tiger was found in the trap camera installed in Indravati Tiger Reserve last day. It has been confirmed as a new tiger by WII Tiger Cell Dehradun.

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- Indravati Tiger Reserve is a suitable place for tiger habitat, where wildlife other than tigers also reside. In which it is mainly a habitat of wild animals like gaur, leopard, bear, nilgai, deer, sambar, wild boar etc. along with forest buffalo.
- Indravati Tiger Reserve of Chhattisgarh covers 2799.086 sq.km. It is spread over a geographical area of 1.5 km, which is adjacent to the forest area of Maharashtra and Telangana. It serves as a suitable corridor for the movement of tigers.
- It is worth mentioning that the state forest department is continuously working with the people to bring awareness about wildlife conservation.
- Indravati Tiger Reserve Management is continuously monitoring and protecting wildlife. At the same time, wildlife is being continuously protected and monitored through foot patrolling by the field staff.
- It is noteworthy that two leopard cubs were recently found in village Cherpalli under village range Madaded buffer under Indravati Tiger Reserve Bijapur. The two leopard cubs are currently housed in Jungle Safari (Zoo) Raipur.

National Quality Certificate

Why In News?

According to information received from Chhattisgarh Public Relations Department on November 28, 2022, **three health and wellness centers of the state have been awarded National Quality Certificates** by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, New Delhi. These include two sub-health centres in Dhamtari district, Gedra and Gadadih.

Key Points

- According to the information received, this quality certificate is given by the Government of India to health institutions to provide quality and high-quality services to the patients done by them. Under this, the district level evaluation is followed by the state level evaluation. After this, health centers are enrolled for evaluation at the national level.
- In this episode, the national team evaluated the Health and Wellness Center Gadadih and Gedra on September 20 and 21. During this time, evaluation was done on the basis of OPD, IPD, labor room, laboratory, general administration, various points of national program in health centers. In this, Sub Health Center Gedra of Dhamtari district got 90 percent and Gadadih got 94 percent score.

- These institutions will be provided two lakh 25 thousand rupees and certificates every year as incentives, which will be used by the organization to expand the services as per the need.
- It may be noted that earlier Civil Hospital Nagari and Primary Health Center Chataud of Dhamtari district have also got National Quality Certificate.

Special Bulletin on Maternal Deaths

Why In News?

The Special Bulletin on Maternal Deaths (**SRS - Sample Registration System**) was released in the country between the years 2018 and 2020 issued by the Office of the Registrar General of India on November 28, 2022. According to this, the MMR of the state has decreased by 22 points in three years. The maternal mortality rate in the state has **come down from 159 per one lakh live births to 137 now**.

Key Points

- According to the SRS data released by the Office of the Registrar General of India, the MMR of the state has decreased by 22 points in three years.
- Due to the special focus on maternal and child health by the state government, the MMR of Chhattisgarh, which had 159 maternal mortality rate (MMR) between 2016 and 2018, has now come down to 137. This is the lowest ever figure of maternal mortality rate in the state.
- Under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel, SuPoshan Abhiyan is being conducted to provide better nutrition to pregnant and infant women. Health services have been continuously strengthened to provide better care of maternal health and all types of treatment to pregnant and lactating women. The health of high-risk pregnant women is being regularly checked and monitored.
- The number of institutional deliveries is also increasing continuously in the state. The facilities for caesarean delivery have also increased in government hospitals. Mitanines and ANMs are continuously monitoring maternal and child health at the community and field level. Due to all these steps of the state government, there has been a significant reduction in the maternal mortality rate in the state.

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