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PM Launches 'National Mission for Liberation from Sickle Cell Anaemia' in Shahdol, Madhya Pradesh

Why in News?

On July 1, 2023, Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the 'National Sickle Cell Anaemia Liberation Mission' in Shahdol, Madhya Pradesh and distributed sickle cell genetic status cards to beneficiaries.

Key Points:

- On this occasion, Governor of Madhya Pradesh Mangubhai C Patel, Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh Shivraj Singh Chouhan, Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Union Ministers of State, Members of Parliament, Ministers of Government of Madhya Pradesh and Members of Legislative Assembly were also present.
- The mission aims to address the serious health challenges posed by sickle cell disease, especially among the tribal population. The launch marks an important milestone in the ongoing efforts of the government to eliminate sickle cell disease as a public health problem by 2047.
- The National Mission to Eradicate Sickle Cell Anemia was announced in the Union Budget 2023. It is implemented in 278 districts of the 17 most affected states of the country - Gujarat, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, West Bengal, Odisha, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Assam, Uttar Pradesh, Kerala, Bihar and Uttarakhand.
- The Prime Minister also launched the distribution program of about 3.57 crore Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) cards in Madhya Pradesh. Ayushman card distribution ceremony is being organized in municipal bodies, gram panchayats and development blocks across the state.
- Ayushman Card Distribution Campaign is a step towards realizing the Prime Minister's vision of reaching each and every beneficiary to ensure 100% saturation of welfare schemes.
- On this occasion, the Prime Minister said that this campaign to eradicate sickle cell anaemia will become a major mission of Amrit Kaal. He expressed his determination to free the tribal communities and the country from the menace of sickle cell anaemia by 2047.



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Aishwarya Pratap and Ashi Choksey Selected in Asian Games and ISSF World Championship

Why in News?

According to the information given by the Madhya Pradesh Public Relations Department on July 2, 2023, two shooters from Madhya Pradesh State Shooting

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Academy Aishwarya Pratap Singh Tomar and Ashi Chouksey have been selected in the Indian team for the Asian Games starting in September 2023 in China and the ISSF World Championship to be held in Baku Azerbaijan in August.

Key Points:

- Aishwarya Pratap Singh from Khargone district has been selected in the 10m air rifle and 50m three position men and Ashi Chowk of Bhopal has been selected in the 10m air rifle and 50m three position women's event.
- The 22-year-old young Indian shooter Aishwarya Pratap Singh Tomar won the Gold medal in the men's 50m rifle 3 positions event at the ISSF World Cup in Cairo in February 2023 and the Gold medal in the 50m rifle 3 positions event at the ISSF Shooting World Cup in South Korea in July 2022.
- Aishwarya had won the Yellow medal in the men's 50m rifle 3 positions event at the 2021 World Cup in Delhi. In the final match, Aishwarya defeated the then-world number-1 Istvan Penny of Hungary.
- The 21-year-old Chouksey won the gold medal in the 50m rifle 3 positions mixed event at the ISSF Shooting World Cup in Baku, Azerbaijan in June 2022 along with Swapnil Kusale. Ashi had won a bronze medal at the ISSF Junior Shooting World Cup in Germany.
- Earlier, Ashi came into the limelight at the national level by winning one gold and one silver medal in the Khelo India University Games held in Bengaluru and two gold and two silver medals in the National Shooting Championship.



Aryan of Bhopal won Bronze Medal in Swimming

Why In News?

On July 3, 2023, in the 76th Swimming Championship being played in Hyderabad, Aryan S. Ganesh of Madhya Pradesh's capital Bhopal won the bronze medal.

Key Points:

- Aryan got this medal in the 50m breaststroke event with 705 points.
- In this event, Likhit SP of Services won the gold medal and Vaishnav Hegde won the silver medal.
- This medal is the first medal of any swimmer of Bhopal in a senior swimming competition.

Chief Minister's Learn-Earn Scheme

Why in News?

On July 4, 2023, Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan launched 'Mukhyamantri Sikho-Kamao Yojana' by registering ITI passed Raj Kushwah on the portal of Swayam Yojana at Ravindra Bhawan, Bhopal.

Key Points:

- Permanent residents of Madhya Pradesh will be able to take advantage of the scheme. Youth in the age group of 18 to 29 years will be eligible under the 'Mukhyamantri Seekho-Kamao Yojana' (Chief Minister's Learn-Earn Scheme).
- Under this scheme, a sum of Rs 8,000 will be given to class 12th pass, Rs 8,500 to ITI pass, Rs 9,000 to diploma passer, Rs 10,000 to graduate or higher educated.
- To provide huge employment opportunities to the youth, 700 courses have been selected. It covers all types of industries, business establishments, service sectors, etc. On the portal, youth will be able to choose the activity according to their qualification and interest.
- Aadhaar e-KYC is required on Samagra portal. Mobile number and e-mail ID are required for registration and the bank account should be linked to Aadhaar and direct benefit transfer should be enabled.

Note:

- So far, 10 thousand 432 establishments have registered under this scheme and 34 thousand 785 vacancies have been identified. Along with the state, establishments outside the state are also being linked to the scheme.
- The 'Mukhyamantri Sikho-Kamao Yojana' has been designed keeping in mind the interests of business establishments and youth alike. This will provide an opportunity to the youth to learn work and ensure the availability of skilled manpower to commercial establishments.



Ratification of increase in Honorarium of Anganwadi worker, Assistant and Mini Anganwadi worker

Why in News?

On July 4, 2023, in a meeting of the Council of Ministers chaired by Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan, it was decided that Anganwadi Workers will now get an honorarium of Rs 13,000 per month after an increase of Rs 3,000 and helpers and mini Anganwadi workers will get increased honorarium per month after an increase of Rs 750.

Key Points:

- The honorarium of Anganwadi workers will be increased by Rs 1000 per year and that of Anganwadi helpers and mini Anganwadi workers by Rs 500 per year.
- Apart from this, Anganwadi workers will be given Rs 1.25 lakh at the time of retirement on completion of 62 years of age and Anganwadi helpers and mini Anganwadi workers will be given Rs 1 lakh.

- The Cabinet also approved the creation of 10 new colleges in the state, new faculty in 4 colleges and creation of 589 new posts for starting post-graduate subjects in 7 colleges.
- For this, recurring expenditure burden of Rs 33 crore 47 lakh 50 thousand per year and non-recurring expenditure of Rs 105 crore 46 lakh 70 thousand has been approved.

Approval for the formation of Maa Ahilya Devi Welfare Board & Sant Ravidas Cultural Integration Trust

Why in News?

The decision to set up the Maa Ahilya Devi Welfare Board was taken at a meeting of the Council of Ministers chaired by Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan on July 4, 2023.

Key Points:

- It is worth mentioning that on the basis of the announcement of the Chief Minister on April 22, 2023, it was decided to constitute Maa Ahilya Devi Welfare Board for the overall welfare of Pal-Gadaria, Dhangar class.
- Maa Ahilya Devi Welfare Board will have 1 Chairperson and 4 members. With the formation of this board, the welfare of the government will be implemented for the people of Pal-Gadaria, Dhangar class. Better implementation of public welfare schemes will be ensured.
- Programs can be created according to the needs of this class. This will accelerate the economic, social and educational development of this class.
- Along with this, the Cabinet also approved the establishment and formation of 'Sant Ravidas Cultural Unity Trust' under the Madhya Pradesh Public Trust Act.

Important decisions of the Council of Ministers of MP

Why in News?

Several important decisions have been taken in the meeting of the Council of Ministers held under the

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chairmanship of Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan on July 4, 2023.

Key Points:

- The Cabinet has given revised administrative approval for Barkheda Medium Irrigation Project of Dhar district at a cost of Rs. 478.88 crore, irrigation capacity of 15031 hectares. With this project, 43 villages of Kukshi tehsil will get the benefit of irrigation facilities.
- The Cabinet has approved the implementation of the Digital Crop Survey Project proposed by the Central Government by the Revenue Department and action should be taken by the State Government as per the proposed Centrally Sponsored Scheme for the project.
- There was a demand by the Bundelkhand Gaur Samaj to resolve the problems caused by the two castes of the same class, Kudmi and Kurmi, Kurmi in the list of backward classes of the state. According to the departmental proposal, after consideration by the Council of Ministers, it was decided to abolish the Kudmi caste from List number 76 and include it along with Kurmi, Kurmi in List number 39.
- With this decision, equal and proper opportunities will be available to this class to get the benefits being provided to the backward class by the state government along with solving the problems faced by them in the caste certificate.

State's biggest Global Skill Park is being built on 30 acres

Why in News?

According to the information given by the Madhya Pradesh Public Relations Department on July 5, 2023, the construction of Sant Ravidas Global Skill Park, the largest global skill park of the state, is going on at a rapid pace at Narela Shankari in Bhopal.

Key Points:

- Madhya Pradesh Technical Education and Skill Development Minister Yashodhara Raje Scindia, while reviewing the progress of construction works, said that the Global Skill Park (GSP) is the dream project of Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan. The target is to have the GSP fully ready by September.

- In this Global Skill Park being built in collaboration with Singapore, the youth will be trained in better & more modern technical skills and they will be prepared at the international level.
- It is worth mentioning that 6 thousand youth will be trained every year in Sant Ravidas Global Skill Park being built on 30 acres at a cost of more than Rs 1500 crore.
- In GSP, youth will be trained in trades like mechatronics, automotive, hospitality, retail, agriculture, refrigeration, artificial intelligence, data science etc.



Khelo MP Youth Games- 2023

Why In News?

On July 5, 2023, Madhya Pradesh Sports and Youth Welfare Minister Yashodhara Raje Scindia, while reviewing the preparations for the Khelo MP Youth Games with the departmental officials, said that as per the wish of the Chief Minister, the Khelo MP Youth Games-2023 will be organized in the month of September.

Key Points

- It is noteworthy that after the success of Khelo India Youth Games held for the first time in Bhopal, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan had announced that now 'Khelo MP Youth Games-2023' will be organized.
- Sports Minister Yashodhara Raje Scindia said that the 'Khelo MP Youth Games' will be held in all 52 districts in three phases - district, divisional and state level.
- 24 sports in 'Khelo MP Youth Games' - Athletics, Basketball, Badminton, Boxing, Football, Hockey, Judo, Kabaddi, Kho-Kho, Malkhamb, Shooting, Swimming, Weightlifting, Wrestling, Table-Tennis, Yogasan, Taekwondo, Volleyball, Youth under the age of 18 will

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showcase their talents in Kayaking-Canoeing, Rowing, Fencing, Archery, Chess and Tennis.

- State-level athletics and shooting competitions will be held at Sports Complex Shivpuri. TT of Bhopal Boxing, Taekwondo, Judo, Faceting, Tennis, Kayaking, Canoeing and Rowing in Badi Jheel and swimming competitions in Taran Pushkar Bhopal will be held at Nagar Stadium.
- Men's Football at Balaghat's Mulna Stadium, Basketball and Weightlifting at Indore's Basketball Complex, Volleyball at Abhay Prashal, and Women's Football at Emerald Hives School.
- In Gwalior, M.P. Badminton in Badminton Academy Camp and M.P. Hockey events will be held at the Women's Hockey Academy. Malkhamb and Yogasana competitions will be held at Sports Complex Ujjain, Kho-Kho and Archery at Ranital Sports Complex (Cricket Stadium) Jabalpur.
- Kabaddi at Sports Complex Rewa, table-tennis and chess at Indoor Hall Madhav Nagar, Katni and wrestling at Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Stadium, Khandwa.
- 51 thousand will be given to the player who got first place in individual games, 31 thousand to second and 21 thousand rupees to the third place winner.
- In team games, the first-place winner will be awarded Rs 5 lakh, the second-place winner Rs 3 lakh and the third-place winner Rs 2 lakh.
- Taking stock of the works of the final range under construction at Madhya Pradesh Shooting Academy, Bishankhedi, Sports Minister Scindia said that the final range built with the technical assistance of NRAI will meet international standards.
- He said that ISSF President Luciano Rossi, during his stay in Bhopal, had rated the Madhya Pradesh Shooting Academy as the world's most beautiful and well-equipped shooting range.

Saral Sanyojan Portal

Why In News?

According to the information provided by the Madhya Pradesh Public Relations Department on July 5, 2023, the Madhya Kshetra Vidut Vitran Company has started the 'Saral Sanyojan Portal' to provide new

electricity connections to domestic and agricultural consumers.

Key Points

- So far, the company has given new electricity connections to 10 applicants from this portal within 24 hours of applying online for a new electricity connection along with the necessary documents after completing all the procedures.
- In case the application from this portal is incomplete, the company is also providing an opportunity for the applicant to complete the application through SMS. After applying online by the consumer on this portal, its status can also be seen and the consumer does not need to come to the office to get a new connection.
- Energy Minister Pradyuman Singh Tomar said that in order to make it easier for electricity consumers to get new electricity connections, the company is making available new connections in a very short time on duly completed applications by starting the implementation of the new portal 'Saral Sanyojan Portal'.
- Now after filling in all the necessary information for applying for a new connection, along with paying the demand note online, the terms of the contract will be displayed to the consumers, upon acceptance of which the contract will automatically be executed in the portal.
- Applicants will be required to upload their own photo, identity card, ownership documents and test reports etc. along with the online application on this portal.
- In case of rejection of the applicant's incomplete application from this portal, in addition to the registration fee, the deposited fee amount will be returned immediately to the account through online medium.

MPPSC's Documentary 'Pradipti' released by Governor

Why in News?

On July 9, 2023, Madhya Pradesh Governor Mangubhai Patel released the documentary film 'Pradipti' prepared by the Madhya Pradesh Public Service Commission at Raj Bhavan.

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Key Points:

- On this occasion, Governor Mangubhai Patel said that the efforts of the Madhya Pradesh Public Service Commission to reduce the fear of examination by making candidates aware is commendable. The documentary produced by the Commission is an innovative and exemplary initiative in this direction.
- The Governor said that the documentary prepared by the Commission regarding the preparations for the examination will free the candidates from the fear of examination. With the increase in awareness of the candidates, the functioning of the Commission will be more transparent.
- Madhya Pradesh Public Service Commission Chairman Dr. Rajesh Lal Mehra said that in the documentary 'Pradipti', information has been given about the rules and instructions related to the examination to make the candidates appearing in various examinations and interviews of the Commission aware.
- Regarding various recruitment examinations, it has often been seen that many candidates keep making some mistakes and correspondence to correct them. They also do not have proper knowledge of the functioning of the Commission. This fully examinee-centric documentary will help them in this direction.
- The purpose of the documentary is to train competitive candidates by giving them various information related to the examination. In the documentary, the candidates have been given detailed information about the work to be done before the examination, precautions during the examination, interview information and useful information after the interview.



CRISP got recognition from AICTE

Why in News?

According to the information given by the Madhya Pradesh Public Relations Department on July 8, 2023, CRISP, a leading institution of Madhya Pradesh, has received the recognition of 'Post Diploma Certificate Program' from the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE).

Key Points:

- This recognition is currently available for two academic sessions 2023-24 and 2024-25, in which one and a half years 'Post Diploma Certificate Program' has been recognized. The formal admission process for this will start from August 1, 2023 and classes will also start in Bhopal campus from September 1.
- CRISP is an autonomous body working under the Department of Technical Education, Government of Madhya Pradesh. CRISP will now offer specialized hi-tech post-diploma certificates such as Industrial Automation, Mechatronics, Manufacturing Technology, Information Technology (Machine Learning), Information Technology (Computer Applications), and Hi-Tech Technology (Computer Applications).
- The proposed courses will provide 100 per cent placement to the candidates.
- CRISP Director Amol Vaidya said that after the accreditation from AICTE, CRISP will be able to organize FDP, TOT and set up incubation centres, industry 40 centres. It will also help in introducing futuristic courses like IoT, AI and ML.



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25 players of Madhya Pradesh Academy selected so far in Asian Games-2022

Why in News?

According to the information given by the Madhya Pradesh Public Relations Department on July 8, 2023, 25 players of Madhya Pradesh Sports Academy have secured their place in the 19th Asian Games to be held in Hangzhou, China. So far players from water sports, shooting, horse riding, and athletics have been included.

Key Points:

- The 19th Asian Games 2022 will begin in Hangzhou, China from September 23 to October 8.
- The Asian Games were postponed due to Covid-19. In these Asian Games, once again the players of Madhya Pradesh are ready to wave the glory of India with their full preparation.
- **Selected players in Asian Games**
 - Shubham Kewat, Vishwajeet Singh Kushwaha, Ms. Shikha Chauhan, Ms. Ahana Yadav has been selected for the Indian team in Keno Slam.
 - Bad. Neha Thakur, Ms. Sheetal Verma, Ms. Harshita Tomar - Selling; Arjun Singh, Neeraj Verma, Nitin Verma, Ku. Shivani Verma, Ms. Kaveri, Ku. O. Binita Devi will represent India at the Asian Games in Kayakingcanoeing.
 - Madhya Pradesh Water Sports Academy in Roing. Rukmini Dangi and former academy player Ms. Anshika Bharti have been selected.
 - Para Keno players of Water Sports Academy Prachi Yadav and Manish Kaurav will be part of the Indian kayaking canoeing team.
 - Star equestrian Raju Singh of Madhya Pradesh State Equestrian Academy will represent India at the Asian Games.
 - Shankar Pandey of Madhya Pradesh Martial Arts Academy will join the Indian team in fencing's EP singles and team events.
 - Aishwarya Pratap Singh Tomar of Madhya Pradesh Shooting Academy Ashi Chouksey is an Indian woman in rifle shooting at the academy. Manisha Keir will represent India in the shotgun trap event. Along with Ms. Preeti Rajak, who has been a former

academy player, will join the Indian team in the Shotgun's trap event.

- She was an associate member of the Madhya Pradesh Athletics Academy. Diksha in 1500 meters and Ms. Sapna Barman will represent the Indian athletics team at the 19th Asian Games in the heptathlon event.

Health Minister Dr. Chaudhary A announced Kayakalp Award

Why In News?

On July 10, 2023, Dr. Prabhuram Chaudhary, Minister of Public Health and Family Welfare of Madhya Pradesh announced the Kayakalp Award for the year 2023.

Key Points

- Giving information about the awards to all district hospitals, civil hospitals, community health centers and primary health centers through video conferencing, Dr. Chowdhary said that this year Kayakalp awards will be given to more than double the institutions as compared to last year.
- Health Minister Dr. Chaudhary said that in the year 2022, 395 organizations were given Kayakalp awards worth Rs 4 crore 50 lakh. This year, 778 institutions will be given Kayakalp awards worth Rs 6 crore 12 lakh.
- Out of the total award amount, 75 percent is used for the strengthening of the institution and 25 percent is given as incentive to the employees of the institutions.
- Health Minister Dr. Chaudhary announced the first Kayakalp award of Rs. 25 lakh each to District Hospital Anuppur and Ratlam jointly.
- 20 lakh to the first runner-up District Hospital Sehore and Rs 10 lakh to the second runner-up District Hospital Damoh.
- An award of Rs 10 lakh was announced for the best eco-friendly district hospital Vidisha.
- Community Health Center Ramnagar district Satna was declared the first prize of Rs 15 lakh in the category of civil hospital community health center and Rs 5 lakh for the best eco-friendly hospital.
- In the category of Civil Hospital/Community Health Center, it was announced to give the Runner Up

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Kayakalp Award of Rs 10 lakh to Community Health Center Jawar, District Sehore.

- It was announced to give the first Kayakalp award to 43 primary health centers of the state. These include primary health centers Kanad (Agar-Malwa), Ublar (Alirajpur), Bhanegaon (Balaghat), Bhavati (Barwani), Dehri Amdhana (Betul), Mihona (Bhind), Nazirabad (Bhopal), Nimbola (Burhanpur), Garhi-Malhara. (Chhatarpur), Mangurli (Chhindwara), Jerath (Damoh), Sonagir (Datia), Baijgawa (Dewas), Gadhasarsi (Dindori), Maqsudangarh (Guna), Chinor (Gwalior), Rahatgaon (Harda), Kshipra (Indore), Gosalpur (Jabalpur), Kakanwani (Jhabua), Purni (Khandwa), Karahi and Bangarda (Khargone), Samanpur (Mandla), Takkarwad (Mandsaur), Sumavali (Morena), Semri Harchand (Narmadapuram), Singpur (Narsinghpur), Diken (Neemuch), Deonagar (Raisen), Machhalpur (Rajgarh), Dharar (Ratlam), Rehat (Rewa), Jaitwara (Satna), Veerpur Dam (Sehore), Palari (Seoni), Tehki (Shahdol), Maksi (Shajapur), Durgapuri (Sheopur), Lukwasa (Shivpuri), Unhel (Ujjain), Karkeli (Umaria) and Primary Health Center Gulabganj (Vidisha).
- Chief Minister Sanjivani Clinic Piplani (Bhopal), Subhash Nagar (Indore), Gol Paharia (Gwalior), Etawah (Dewas) from Ujjain division, Polipathar (Jabalpur) in Jabalpur division, Rewa division for the first prize at divisional level in urban health center the award was announced for Urban Community Health Center Makronia from Hanuman Nagar (Satna) and Sagar division.
- In the Health and Wellness Center category, 30 institutions were declared winners. These include Raipur (Bhopal), Panwari (Chhatarpur), Gadghat (Jabalpur), Kuchwahi (Sidhi), Pichodi (Barwani), Bandikhurd (Shahdol), Kajlana (Indore), Chipon (Guna), Amlai (Anuppur), Biladhana (Vidisha), Nanhi Tehri (Tikamgarh), Chandia (Umaria), Bagwara (Sehore), Barkheda Setu (Raisen), Gorhi (Satna), Seji (Ashoknagar), Nigori (Dindori), Panjara kalan (Narmadapuram), Ahmedpur Khaigaon (Khandwa), Hirankharni and the award was announced for Botalganj (Mandsaur).
- In addition to the winning institutions, it was also announced to give consolation prizes to the institutions scoring more than 70 percent as per the criteria.
- It is worth mentioning that the Kayakalp Award is an important link in the series of efforts to strengthen the health institutions in the state and provide better health services to the citizens. In the sequence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Swachh Bharat Mission,

Kayakalp Awards were started from the year 2015 for maintaining cleanliness in health institutions and improving the quality of services in the state.

- The numbers are given to the health institutions according to the prescribed criteria after checking by a team of experts to maintain cleanliness in the premises of the hospitals and the quality of providing health services. The hospital with the highest marks is selected for the first prize.
- Kayakalp Awards are given in 5 categories of District Hospital, Civil/Community Health Center, Primary Health Center, Urban Health Center, Health and Wellness Center.



Approval of Madhya Pradesh Capacity Building Policy-2023

Why in News?

On July 12, 2023, in the meeting of the Council of Ministers held under the chairmanship of Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan, the Cabinet approved the 'Madhya Pradesh Capacity Building Policy-2023' for capacity building of government servants of the state. This policy will replace the existing Training Policy-2001 of the state.

Key Points:

- The state's new Capacity Building Policy-2023 has been prepared incorporating the concept and features of 'Mission Karmayogi' implemented by the Government of India and after consulting the member of the Capacity Development Commission.
- Madhya Pradesh is one of the few states in India where it has been decided to formulate and implement the state's capacity building policy in accordance with the concept of 'Mission Karmayogi'.

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- It is worth mentioning that the present Training Policy of the State in the context of the National Training Policy of the Government of India year 1996 was implemented on 11th July 2001. The current National Training Policy of the Government of India was implemented on January 19, 2012, but no change had been made in the training policy of the State so far.
- The present training policy of the state is about 22 years old, while the need for a new training policy was felt due to the methods of recruitment of government servants, use of information technology in government work, changes in various laws etc.
- In the new policy, training and other activities will be done for complete capacity building of all government servants of the state, including contract workers, so that government servants are sensitive, dutiful, prompt, honest and can work with modern technical skills to provide quality citizen service.
- In this policy, a capacity development plan for the entire service period will be prepared for each cadre of government service. On the basis of the scheme, government servants will receive training as per requirement at fixed intervals. It will be mandatory to get training and it has been linked to promotion. There is a provision in the policy to encourage conscientious government servants.
- According to the policy, a capacity-building unit is to be formed in each department, which will determine the responsibility, work and capabilities required for each post and arrange training accordingly.
- In view of the need for large-scale training, 70 percent of the training will be done online, 20 percent at the work site and 10 percent in a training institute. After the training, the change in the working capacity of the government servant will also be assessed.
- A State Training Council will be constituted at the highest level under the chairmanship of the Chief Minister, which will have ministers and senior officials. The member secretary of the council will be the Director General Academy of Administration. Apart from this, an executive committee will be constituted under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary, in which additional chief secretaries of major departments, principal secretaries will be members and director administration academy member secretaries will be there.

- In the new policy, a new item named 'Mission Karmayogi' will be made in the state budget, in which every government department will be provided one percent of its salary item annually.
- RCVP Naronha Academy of Administration and Management has been made the nodal agency for the implementation of Mission Karmayogi. For this, the Academy of Administration will be provided Rs 10 crore per year from the state budget.

Country's 1st Esports Academy to be Established in Madhya Pradesh

Why in News?

On July 12, 2023, the Sports and Youth Welfare Minister of Madhya Pradesh, Smt. Yashodhara Raje Scindia has announced the establishment of the country's first Esports academy in Madhya Pradesh.

Key Points:

- The Sports Minister said that for this, talent search will be done through Madhya Pradesh State Junior Esports Championship from July 23 to August 27. Youth in the age group of 12-17 will participate in this ten-day tournament.
- It has been decided to promote two such sports in Madhya Pradesh, which are included in the upcoming Olympics and Asian Games. First of all, through talent search in every district, the work of finding break dancing talents involved in the Paris Olympics is being done.
- E-sports have also been included in international competitions in the category of medal winning sports as competitive sports. In this, the Indian team won the bronze medal in the Commonwealth Games held in Birmingham in the year 2022. Esports are also included in the Asian Games starting in September.
- The Sports Minister said that Madhya Pradesh has succeeded in making its own identity in the field of sports. Break Dance and Esports Academy in the state will be the first such academy in the country which will give youth an opportunity to hone their skills in these sports in addition to traditional sports. The inclusion of Esports in international events will give young players in India an opportunity to turn their passion into a profession.

Note:



Important Decisions taken in the Meeting of Madhya Pradesh Council of Ministers

Why in News?

On July 12, 2023, in the meeting of the Council of Ministers held under the chairmanship of Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan, the Cabinet approved the policy for the collection of consumer fees by women self-help groups and took several other important decisions.

Key Points:

- The Cabinet approved the policy for the collection of consumer fees by women's self-help groups. The Cabinet took this decision to ensure more efficient participation of women's self-help groups and participation in the collection of consumer fees (toll).
 - According to the decision, consumer fee collection will be done by women self-help groups on routes with an annual collection income of less than two crore out of the routes approved earlier. Madhya Pradesh Road Development Corporation has been authorised to select such a route.
- The Cabinet decided to increase the honorarium of the President and Vice President of the District and Janpad Panchayat.
 - The honorarium and vehicle allowance of the District Panchayat President will be increased to Rs 1 lakh monthly (honorarium 35 thousand rupees and vehicle allowance 65 thousand rupees) and the honorarium and vehicle allowance of the Vice President of the District Panchayat will be increased to 42 thousand rupees monthly (honorarium 28 thousand 500 rupees and vehicle allowance 13 thousand 500 rupees).
 - It was decided to increase the honorarium of the Janpad Panchayat President to Rs 19,500 per month and that of the Janpad Panchayat Vice President to Rs 13,500 per month.
 - Apart from this, the maximum annual honorarium of Panch/ Deputy Sarpanch will be Rs 1800.
- The Cabinet also approved the expenditure of Rs 274.95 crore for the additional annual amount required for honorarium at the rate of Rs 18,000 per month on

filling up of vacant posts and vacant posts of Village Employment Assistant. This amount will be spent on stamp duty collection or minor mineral items.

- The Cabinet has approved the establishment of 8 new colleges in the state, new faculty in 2 colleges and post-graduate / graduate subjects in 3 colleges.
 - New government colleges will be set up at Khalwa in Khandwa district, Fanda in Bhopal, Bansagar in Shahdol, Baroda in Sheopur Kalan, Mandwas in Sidhi, Betma in Indore, Hanumana in Rewa and Hatta in Balaghat.
 - Also, new faculties will be started in the already-run government colleges in Bijawar of Chhatarpur and Churhat of Sidhi.



- Apart from this, art and science subjects will be started in Government College Rampur Naikin, Art and Science in District Sidhi, Government College Lamata, Arts and Biology in District Balaghat and Music and Fine Art at Government Girls College, Neemuch.

Proposal will be sent to Declare Khatiyar Gir as Ramsar site

Why in News?

On July 12, 2023, the State Wetland Authority meeting held at the Environment Complex under the chairmanship of Madhya Pradesh Environment Minister Hardeep Singh Dang approved the proposal to include Gir Eco Region Wetland in the new Ramsar site of the country for the sake of Chambal Sanctuary.

Note:

Key Points:

- It is known that there are 4 Ramsar sites including Bhoj Wetland in the state. Of these, Yashwant Sagar and Sirpur Talab of Indore, Sankhya Sagar of Madhav National Park Shivpuri got the status of Ramsar site from the Central Government last year.
- The projects of Dhar Wetland Complex (Dhupsagar, Devisagar and Munjsagar) and Girwar Talab Shajapur have been approved under the NPCA scheme of the Central Government.
- It was told in the meeting that more than 15,000 ponds with an area of more than 2 hectares are being conserved in the state as per the guidelines of the Supreme Court.
- District Wetland Conservation Committees are being formed with the aim of making society and administration partners in the conservation of water sources. Till now they have been formed in 22 districts.
- On this occasion, Environment Minister Hardeep Singh Dung also released the 'Ramsar Sites' booklet based on Madhya Pradesh's Ramsar sites- Bhoj Wetland, Sankhya Sagar, Sirpur and Yashwant Sagar by Madhya Pradesh State Wetland Authority.



Chief Minister released the logo of 'Vikas Parv'

Why In News?

On July 15, 2023, Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan released the logo of 'Vikas Parv' at Samatva Bhawan, Chief Minister's residence.

key points

- It may be noted that from 16 July to 14 August, Vikas Parv is being organized in the entire state for a month. During this, public service yatras, public dialogues and beneficiary conferences will be held on a large scale in all the districts of the state. There will be inauguration/bhoomi-pujan of development works worth more than 2 lakh crores in the state.
- During the Vikas Parv, Prime Minister Housing, Chief Minister Land Rights, Deendayal Rasoi, Chief Minister Teerth-Darshan, Jal-Jeevan Mission, Swamitva Yojana, Sambal, Prime Minister Kisan Samman Nidhi, Chief Minister Farmers-Welfare Scheme, Chief Minister Farmers Interest Waiver etc. in various schemes. And beneficiary conferences of schemes related to women empowerment, youth welfare, self-employment, education, health, good governance will be held.
- During the Vikas Parv period, various programs will be held at district, tehsil and block level etc. in the presence of Ministers, MPs, MLAs and local public representatives in all the districts.
- Date wise information of all programs will be uploaded on the portal prepared for Vikas Parv on CM Helpline. Complete details of all Bhoomi Pujan/inauguration to be held will be recorded on the portal.
- Major inauguration and Bhoomi Pujan during Vikas Parv.
 - Expansion of Bina Refinery and foundation stone laying ceremony of Ken-Betwa link scheme.
 - Inauguration of 15 irrigation projects worth Rs 7245 crore.
 - Foundation stone laying ceremony of 13 irrigation projects worth Rs 36 thousand 348 crore.
 - Inauguration of 83 CM Rise Schools.
 - Land acquisition of newly approved medical colleges.
 - Bhoomi-pujan of 1207 works costing more than Rs 21 thousand 900 crore for national and state highway and road construction.
 - Urban drinking water projects under AMRUT 2.0 works worth Rs 3000 crore.
 - Home entry of about 4 lakh beneficiaries of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana.
 - Ground breaking ceremony of 10 new colleges.
 - Foundation stone of 15 thousand 450 group drinking water projects worth Rs 28 thousand 471 crore of Jal Jeevan Mission.

Note:



5 Services of AYUSH Department under Public Service Guarantee Act

Why In News?

According to the information provided by the Public Relations Department of Madhya Pradesh on July 14, 2023, 5 departmental services in the AYUSH Department have been notified under the Public Service Guarantee Act. Time limit has also been fixed for these services.

key points

- According to the information, the services that have been included include registration of AYUSH doctors, provisional registration of AYUSH doctors, issuance of NOC for registration in other states, issuance of Ayurveda drug manufacturing license as well as homeopathy drug manufacturing license.
- A time limit of 30 working days has been fixed for this process.
- Under the scheme of the Central Government, Ayush Mission Society has been formed at the state level for the implementation of the AYUSH Mission Scheme in the state.
- In the AYUSH mission, efforts are being made to make AYUSH medical facilities available to the maximum number of people. Under this, institutional capacity is being strengthened. In the mission itself, help is being provided to those farmers who are involved in the cultivation of medicinal plants.
- The objective of the mission is to provide value addition, marketing of medicinal plant products and to help drug entrepreneurs in infrastructure development.

Madhya Pradesh announces Highest Ever Auction of Mineral Blocks

Why In News?

On July 14, 2023, Madhya Pradesh issued a Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) for the auction of 51 mineral blocks in a record number. This is the highest number of mineral blocks notified for auction by any state in a single tranche.

key points

- After the start of the auction system in the year 2015, 754 blocks have been put up for auction by various major mineral deposit states, out of which 276 blocks have been successfully auctioned. The Government of India appreciated Madhya Pradesh for this.
- These 51 blocks comprise 14 minerals, including strategic and important minerals such as graphite and vanadium, platinum group of elements (PGE) and other major minerals such as manganese, bauxite, limestone, iron ore, base metals and gold.
- Out of 51 mineral blocks for which NIT has been issued by Madhya Pradesh, 13 blocks are for mining lease and 38 blocks are for composite license.
- Madhya Pradesh was ahead of other states in terms of mineral block auctions even during the financial year 2022-23. In that financial year, the state had auctioned 29 blocks.
- Since the introduction of the auction regime in 2015, Madhya Pradesh has notified 125 mineral blocks for auction. Of these, 46 have been successfully auctioned.
- With the notification of these 51 blocks, Madhya Pradesh has also emerged as the state with the highest number of blocks notified for auction, taking the total number of mineral blocks to 176.
- It is noteworthy that the state governments of Bihar, West Bengal, Telangana, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana and Kerala have not auctioned any block since 2015.

Note:

President Smt. Murmu presented 'Bhoomi Samman 2023'

Why in News?

On July 18, 2023, President Smt. Draupadi Murmu presented 'Bhoomi Samman- 2023' to Dr. Sanjay Goyal, Secretary, Revenue & Commissioner Land Records of Madhya Pradesh and Collectors of 15 districts for outstanding performance in the field of land management & administration at a function held at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.

Key Points:

- President Draupadi Murmu gave away awards to secretaries and 68 collectors of nine states at a felicitation ceremony organised by the Union Ministry of Rural Development.
- On behalf of the State Government of Madhya Pradesh, Dr. Sanjay Goyal, Secretary Revenue and Commissioner Land Records and Chandrashekhar Walimbe, Additional Secretary received the award along with their team.
- In the field of Digital India Land Records modernization, Madhya Pradesh has secured the first position in the country in both state and district categories. This is an excellent example of coordination between the state and the central government, where 100% of the amount is provided by the central government, while the program is implemented by the state governments.
- Collectors of 15 districts of the state – Agar Malwa, Alirajpur, Anuppur, Bhopal, Guna, Harda, Indore, Khargone, Neemuch, Sidhi, Singrauli, Tikamgarh, Ujjain, Umariya and Vidisha were honoured with Bhoomi Samman certificates.
- These districts of Madhya Pradesh have been awarded Platinum Grading on 100% achievement in all components of Digital India Land Records Modernization Program. These components are the computerization of land records, digitization of land tax maps, computerization of registration, integration of registration with land records, linkage of land tax maps with land records and modern record rooms.
- The Digital India Land Records Management Programme is being run by the Department of Land Resources since 2008-09 with 100% central government funding.

The main objective of the programme is to develop a modern, comprehensive and transparent land records management system for the convenience of the citizens.

- Under the programme, a monthly grading system has been implemented by them based on the data recorded on the MISs of the programme to reward the districts that have done well since January 2022. It offers Silver grades ranging from 90% to 95%, Gold from 95% to 99% and Platinum grades at more than 99% work efficiency.



MoU signed between MAPCOST and NIF Gandhinagar

Why in News?

On July 19, 2023, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between Madhya Pradesh Council of Science and Technology (MAPCOST) Bhopal and the National Innovation Foundation Gandhinagar, under which the State Innovation Foundation will be formed in the state for mutual cooperation in various fields of grassroots innovation, science and technology between the two institutions.

Key Points:

- The MoU was signed by Dr. Anil Kothari, Director General, on behalf of Madhya Pradesh Council of Science & Technology and Dr. Arvind C. Ranade, Director, on behalf of National Innovation Foundation-India.
- The main objective of the MoU is to provide cooperation between the two institutions in research, innovation, intellectual property rights and academic level in science and technology.

Note:



- Director General of MAPCOST Dr. Anil Kothari informed that the State Innovation Foundation will be established in the state with the help of the National Innovation Foundation. Technical assistance will be taken from experts of NIF in this work.
- With the help of the State Innovation Foundation, a database of innovators of the state will be created and their products will be commercialized.
- With the help of State Innovation Foundation, a database of innovators of the state will be created and help will be provided in commercializing their products.
- Under the MoU, Innovation Foundation will provide a research guide for research work in the field of science and engineering. Technical expertise will be made available for grassroots innovations and awareness campaigns on intellectual property rights. Technical cooperation will be done to strengthen traditional knowledge.
- Similarly, research scholars will be provided with research instrumentation and library facilities available in both institutes. Both institutes can jointly submit project proposals for various schemes of the Central and State Governments.
- This MoU has been done for 3 years. Its duration can be extended by 2 more years. With this MoU, the innovators of the state will get a proper platform, with the help of which they will be able to convert their products into patents. For this they will be provided with proper technical advice and resources.
- Dr. Anil Kothari informed that there will be mutual cooperation between the two institutions in science popularization activities, programs and preparation of project proposals. Similarly, there will be an exchange in the field of scientific publication.
- He informed that mutual cooperation will be done in organizing study programmes, seminars, conferences etc. Along with this, a common exchange of information on scientific topics and issues will be done for innovative persons, inventors and researchers.



Note:

The Governor honoured outstanding talents under the 'Champions of Change Madhya Pradesh' edition

Why in News?

On July 19, 2023, Governor Mangubhai Patel honoured 16 outstanding talents in the fields of spirituality, social welfare, art, health, education and sports at the prize distribution program of the 'Champions of Change Madhya Pradesh' edition organized at the Kushabhau Thackeray International Convention Center auditorium in the capital Bhopal.

Key Points:

- Governor Mangubhai Patel honoured Pt. Pradeep Mishra in the field of spirituality, Pt. Om Prakash Mehta, MLA Krishna Gaur, Hemant Tiwari, Umashankar Singh, Vinod Kumar Agarwal, Additional Director General of Police Anvesh Mangalam, Rohit Jain, Manoj Sahu, Abhishek Kumar Pandey in the field of social-welfare, Padma Shri Dr. Munishwar Chandra Davar & Dr. Ajay Rana in the field of health, film actress Saumya Tandon & film director Anil Singh Chandel in the field of art, Jaynarayan Choksey in the field of education and powerlifter Bhavna Tokekar in the field of sports.
- Nandan Kumar Jha, founder of Champions of Change said that the program is the second award function of the Madhya Pradesh edition. The ceremony has been organized four times at the national level. State-level programs have been done in four states including Madhya Pradesh. Soon the awards will be given at the international level as well.
- It is worth mentioning that 'Champions of Change (CoC)' is an Indian award for promoting Indian values like community service, social development, health care, education and national integration, which was established in 2011.
- The Champions of Change Award has been given by the Interactive Forum on Indian Economy (IFIE), Government of India to politicians, social workers, and entrepreneurs who have promoted Gandhian values (cleanliness), community service and social development through their positive efforts in a total of 115 optimistic districts in the country.



- The interactive Forum on Indian Economy organizes Champions of Change Awards at international, national and state levels in India every year. The award is usually presented by the President, Vice President, Prime Minister, Governor or a prominent person of India.
- The awardees are selected by top constitutional jury members headed by the former Chief Justice of India and former NHRC chairman.
- The Interactive Forum on Indian Economy is a Government of India accredited (80G, 8A) not-for-profit company dedicated to the development and welfare of women & children in rural India, including 115 aspirational districts that promote the values of Mahatma Gandhi.
- The 'Champions of Change Madhya Pradesh' award is a state award to promote the values of courage, community service and inclusive social development. The award has been instituted taking inspiration from the vision of women freedom fighter Rani Laxmibai. The awardees are selected by members of the constitutional jury headed by Justice Gyan Sudha Misra (former Supreme Court judge).



Chief Justice Ravi Malimath launches online RTI portal for High Court & District Courts

Why in News?

On July 18, 2023, Chief Justice Ravi Malimath launched the online portal of RTI in Jabalpur, the main division bench of the Madhya Pradesh High Court. Information about the three division benches of the High Court and the District Court will be available from the portal.

Key Points:

- Chief Justice Ravi Malimath said that Madhya Pradesh High Court is leading in working on paperless mode from start to finish across the country. The portal has been made integrated cloud-based, as well as integrated with the high court database.
- This online portal has also been linked to the cyber treasury for all types of online transactions.
- The Chief Justice said that this portal fixes the responsibility of the concerned officers and employees and makes them accountable for providing the information sought in the RTI.
- The software provides information to the State Public Information Officer and concerned staff on the e-RTI tab of the official website of the Court www.mphc.gov.in about every such activity in connection with the RTI, which is sought by the applicant, at a click.



Nagda will be a New district of the state

Why in News?

On July 20, 2023, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan laid the foundation stone of development works worth Rs 261.14 crore during Vikas Parv in Tehsil Nagda of Ujjain district and announced to make Nagda a district.

Key Points:

- It is known that in Vikas Parv, a large number of development works are being inaugurated/foundations laid in all the areas of the state.
- The Chief Minister inaugurated development works worth Rs 92 crore 61 lakh and performed Bhoomi-Pujan of development works worth Rs 168 crore 53 lakh in Nagda.

Note:



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- Fulfilling the long-pending demand of the Nagda area, the Chief Minister announced to make it a district. Those tehsils of the Ujjain district which voluntarily want to be merged in Nagda will be included in Nagda.
- It is worth mentioning that after being separated from Ujjain, Nagda will become the 54th district of the state. Before this, Mauganj tehsil of Rewa district has been announced to be made a district. At present Madhya Pradesh has 52 districts, but with the conversion of Nagda and Mauganj into districts, there will be 54 districts.
- Presently Nagda is a tehsil of Ujjain district. Nagda is mentioned in the history of the Pandavas who won the war of Mahabharata. It is told that a huge Yajna was performed at this place by King Janmejaya, the grandson of the Pandavas, for the cremation of Nagas, hence the name of the city was Nagda.
- Apart from this, the Chief Minister also made many other announcements-
 - Unhel will be made Tehsil and community health centres will be opened here.
 - CM Rise schools will be opened in Nagda, Khachrod, and Alot.
 - Along with Kshipra, Narmada water will be diverted to Gambhir and Kalisindh rivers.



M.P. State Junior E-Sports Championship from July 27 to August 7

Why in News?

Madhya Pradesh State Junior E-Sports will be held from July 27 to August 7, 2023, as per the information given by the Madhya Pradesh Public Relations Department on July 20, 2023.

Key Points:

- It is known that the country's first E-sports academy is going to start in Madhya Pradesh. For this, a talent search will be done through Madhya Pradesh State Junior E-Sports Championship.
- Youths from 12 to 17 years of age can participate in this championship. The selected E-sports players will be given 12 months of free training.
- Madhya Pradesh Sports and Youth Welfare Minister Yashodhara Raje Scindia has announced the opening of two new academies in Madhya Pradesh, which will be part of the upcoming Olympic and Asian Games. This time Break-Dance has been included as a sport.
- Renowned International B Boyer Karim and India's famous B Boyer Arif Chaudhary are selecting new talents by searching for talent in every district.
- In the talent search through the junior championship for E-sports, the sports department has earmarked 80 percent seats for players from the state and 20 percent for players from outside the state.
- E-sports gaming is included in international competitions in the category of medal-winning sports as competitive sports. In the Commonwealth Games held in Birmingham in the year 2022, the Indian team won a bronze medal. E-sports will also feature in the Asian Games starting in September.

Successfully organized the 5th edition of Pachmarhi Marathon

Why in News?

On July 23, 2023, the fifth edition of the Pachmarhi Monsoon Marathon was successfully organized by 'Adventure and You' (KA Connect) in collaboration with Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board (MPTB) and District Administration Narmadapuram. About 1350 runners from all over the country participated in this marathon.

Key Points:

- In the fifth edition of Pachmarhi Monsoon Marathon, a four-year-old child to a 75-year-old man ran with energy and enthusiasm.
- The runners ran in 42 km, 21 km, 10 km and 5 km categories amidst the natural beauty of Pachmarhi.

Note:

- The marathon race started from MPT Glenview Hotel. In the closing ceremony, certificates, trophies and medals were given to the winners.
- Principal Secretary Tourism and Culture and Managing Director Tourism Board Shiv Shekhar Shukla said that considering the success of the Pachmarhi Marathon, a marathon will also be organized in Khajuraho on February 11, 2024. An ultra-marathon (30, 60 and 90 km) is going to be held in Pachmarhi on December 17.
- Winners of the marathon
 - The first winner in 42 km (men) P Selvan
 - The first winner in 42 km (women) Nikita Mandloi
 - The first winner in 21 km (Male) Ramanjit
 - The first winner in 21 km (Women) Yuvika Merothen
 - The first winner in 10 km (Male) Datta Kumar
 - The first winner in 10 km (women) Kavita Sharma
 - The first winner in 5 km (men) Sambhav Mishra
 - The First winner Divyanshi in 5 km (Women)



5th Helicopter & Small Aircraft Summit to be held at Khajuraho

Why in News?

The 5th Helicopter and Small Aircraft Summit will be jointly organized by the Ministry of Civil Aviation, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Pawan Hans Limited and Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) at Khajuraho in Madhya Pradesh on July 23, 2023.

Key Points:

- The theme of the event is 'Reaching the Last Mile: Regional Connectivity through Helicopters and Small Aircraft'.
- The event will be inaugurated by the Union Minister of Civil Aviation and Steel Jyotiraditya M. Scindia. The format of the programme consists of an inaugural session followed by a technical session.
- The aim of the summit is to enhance the expansion of the UDAN scheme in remote and hilly areas.
- The broad objectives of the summit are:
 - To provide a common platform for all industry stakeholders and policymakers to discuss the growth story of the Indian helicopter and small aircraft industry.
 - Increase the coverage of the UDAN scheme in remote and hilly areas and expand rural to urban connectivity of the country.
 - To promote helicopter and small plane connectivity by providing seamless services at existing and potential tourist hotspots.
- Helicopters and small aircraft play an important role in India's transport ecosystem. Civilian helicopters contribute to better access, especially to remote areas, offering tremendous tourism potential, and allowing travellers to experience beautiful landscapes and cultural sites in unique ways. Other roles of the helicopter service include emergency medical services and disaster management during floods, rescue operations, etc.
- Similarly, small aircraft, business and leisure provide efficient and convenient transportation options for travellers, enhance regional air connectivity and promote the search for lesser-known destinations. The aviation and tourism industries mutually benefit from each other, promote employment opportunities and promote economic growth throughout the country.
- The Summit is taking place at a crucial time when the Indian civil aviation industry is undergoing a paradigm shift. This sector has now become the need of the hour not only for India but for mankind all over the world because it always brings with it two important multipliers - the economic multiplier and the employment multiplier.
- The 5th HELI Summit will bring industry stakeholders together to engage and collaborate with policymakers to implement competent and prudent decisions that will further expand India's civil aviation industry.

Note:



MP Power Management Company signs contract to purchase 218.98 MW Power

Why in News?

According to the information given by the Public Relations Department of Madhya Pradesh on July 21, 2023, MP Power Management Company signed a power purchase agreement to purchase 218.98 MW of power from the Kakrapar Nuclear Power Project in Gujarat.

Key Points:

- The power purchase agreement was signed by Shailendra Janardan, Chief General Manager (commercial-conventional) of MP Power Management Company and SK Rai, director of Kakrapar Nuclear Power Project on behalf of Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited.
- India's first indigenously built 700 MW nuclear power reactor has been installed at Kakrapar Nuclear Power Project (Unit-3) in Gujarat. The unit has commenced commercial power generation on June 30, 2023.
- Unit-4 of the project is expected to start generating power from February 2024 next year.
- This is an important step in India's nuclear energy program. This will help meet the country's growing energy demands through clean and reliable nuclear energy. In the power purchase agreement signed by the power management company, electricity will also be supplied to Madhya Pradesh.

- In the Nuclear Power Purchase Agreement, Madhya Pradesh has started getting this electricity at a continuous (24x7) cheaper rate from June 30 at the rate of only Rs 4.40 per unit (single part tariff). This power from Kakrapar Nuclear Power Project will prove useful in providing high-quality power to the consumers of the state.



2 students of Shivpuri Public School honoured in Fit India Quiz- 2022

Why in News?

On July 23, 2023, Union Minister of Youth Affairs, Sports and Information & Broadcasting Anurag Singh Thakur felicitated 2 students of Shivpuri Public School in Madhya Pradesh on their success in the second episode of fit India quiz state round at BKC, Bandra, Mumbai.

Key Points:

- It is known that Anurag Singh Thakur felicitated 72 school students from 36 states and union territories including Madhya Pradesh on their success in the second episode of the Fit India quiz state round.

Note:

- These 72 students are about to secure top positions in their respective states and will now compete in the national round of the Fit India Quiz, which will be aired on Star Sports and Disney Hotstar.
- In the Fit India Competition 2022, Divyansh Gala and Anirudh Yadav of Shivpuri Public School made the district proud by winning the state finals.
- The winning school from each state/UT received a total prize money of Rs 2.5 lakh, while a team of 2 students from the school received a total prize of Rs 25,000.
- The first runner-up school received Rs 1 lakh and the students received a total prize money of Rs 10,000. Similarly, the State Second Runner-up School received a cash prize of Rs 50,000 and the participating students received a total prize of Rs 5,000.
- A total of 348 schools and 418 students were selected for the State/UT round. Of these students, 39% were girls. The selected schools formed a team of two students who competed for the State/UT Championship through a series of web rounds. A total of 120 rounds were conducted to identify 36 State/UT champions. Of the 36 schools identified as state/UT champions, 12 are government schools.
- The second edition of Fit India National Fitness and Sports Quiz for schools was launched on the eve of National Sports Day on August 29 last year by Anurag Singh Thakur and Minister of State, Youth Affairs and Sports and Home Affairs Nisith Pramanik in the presence of Union Minister of Education and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Dharmendra Pradhan.
- The second edition of the Fit India quiz has seen a huge participation of 61,981 students from 16,702 schools across 702 districts of India. In comparison, a total of 36,299 students from 13,502 schools participated in the first edition of the Fit India quiz. There was a 70% increase in the number of students participating in the second edition of the quiz as compared to the first edition.
- The Fit India Quiz is India's biggest quiz on sports and fitness for school-going children. The quiz was launched in 2020 with an aim to propagate the message of Fit India among school children and strengthen its presence in schools.
- The Fit India Quiz is a part of the Fit India Movement, which was launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in 2019. The aim of this initiative is to make India a fit and healthy nation.

- In the quiz, cash prizes totalling Rs 3.25 crore are given to the school and students. It provides a platform for students from every corner of the country to showcase their knowledge in sports and fitness at the national level.
- After the national round, the winning school will get a total prize money of Rs 25 lakh, while the first runner-up and second runner-up school will get Rs 15 lakh and Rs 10 lakh respectively.

National Media Museum to be Built in Bhopal

Why in News?

On July 24, 2023, In the General Council meeting of Makhn Lal Chaturvedi National University of Journalism and Communication held under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan, it was informed that a National Media Museum will be established in Bhopal.

Key Points:

- Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan approved the proposal to set up a central studio, Digital media lab, separate departments focused on cinema and Indian languages and Bharatmuni Research Chair in the university.
- In the general council meeting held after January 2018, the budget estimates, accounts and audit reports of the previous years were approved. Decisions were also taken on various managerial issues.
- It was informed in the meeting that the provisions of the National Education Policy have been implemented in Asia's first and the country's largest journalism and communication university. The university has been included in the top 10 educational institutions of the country by reputed magazines like India Today, The Week.
- The General Council gave ex-post facto approval for the implementation of the 7th pay scale for the teachers working in the university. Also, approval was given to pay arrears to all teachers on the basis of the 7th pay scale implemented on January 01, 2016.
- It also agreed on the regularization of contractual teachers. The General Council also approved raising the superannuation age from 60 to 62 years.

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- The meeting also approved the establishment of Radio Karamveer in the new campus of the university at Bishan Khedi for practical training of students and discharge of social responsibilities. Also, the proposal for an increase of seats in research book writing, and PhD courses was also approved.
- It was informed in the meeting that the university had signed MoUs with the Consortium for Educational Communication, UN Population Fund, Mahatma Gandhi College of Communication Kozhikode Kerala, Media and Entertainment Skills Council, New Delhi and other universities and reputed institutions.



Proposals for Establishment of Various Units in the State

Why in News?

On July 24, 2023, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan met Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan and discussed investment and expansion of units in the state by industry groups working in the field of pharmaceutical park, food processing, iron and steel and plastic.

Key Points:

- TVS Industries and Logistics Park CEO Ramnath Subramaniam and Regional Head Kushal Motiani discussed with Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan the proposal to set up industrial and logistics parks at Dewas and Pithampur at a cost of Rs 250 crore. The park will generate employment opportunities for about 1000 people.
- Ajit Kumar Jain, Managing Director of Ipca Laboratories, which has set up three units in the pharma sector in the state at a cost of Rs 1300 crore, met the Chief Minister and talked about the pharma unit being

set up at Dewas at a cost of Rs 470 crore. About 700 people will get employment in this unit.

- Nilesh Garg and Manik Garg of Satvik Agro Processing discussed with the Chief Minister regarding setting up of a new food processing unit at Sitapur in Morena district. Sattvik Agro is setting up a new unit with a production capacity of 1.44 lakh metric tonnes with an initial investment of Rs 284 crore. The land for this has been acquired by the company.
- Kunal Giani of Sarva Foam discussed the proposal and expectations of setting up a basic raw material manufacturing unit for rebonded foam and polyurethane foam with an investment of Rs 100 crore at Tamot Plastic Park in Raisen district.
- Raghvendra Modi of Hindustan Urban Infra-structure discussed with the Chief Minister regarding setting up of a railway wagon manufacturing unit in Malanpur industrial area with an investment of Rs 500 crore and a capacity to provide employment to about 1000 people.
- In this sequence, Jayen Modi and Mr. Ankur Kumar of Baerlocher India Additives discussed setting up of a PVC stabilizer unit at Dewas with an investment of Rs.316 crores. About 150 people will get employment from the unit.



35 Incubation Centers to be Set up to Promote Start-Ups, Self-Employment

Why In News?

On July 25, 2023, in the departmental review meeting chaired by Dr. Mohan Yadav, Higher Education Minister of Madhya Pradesh, was told that **an action plan has been made to set up a total of 35 incubation centers so far to improve education quality, information technology and make youth employment oriented.**

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Key Points:

- Higher Education Minister Dr. Yadav said that in order to make education quality, information technology and youth job-oriented, it was decided to set up incubation centers in all colleges and universities.
- The Higher Education Minister said that incubation centers are being operated in seven universities, and the process of setting up incubation centers in 9 universities and 19 autonomous colleges is going on.
- He informed that the Government of India has approved a proposal of Rs 5 crore for I-Technology Based Incubator at Devi Ahilya University, Indore.
- Principal Secretary Higher Education KC Gupta informed that according to the AISHE report for the year 2020-21, the Gross Enrollment Ratio (GER) is 27.1 percent, which is close to the country's GER 27.3.
- For the year 2021-22, a total of 88 percent data entry work of universities, colleges and stand-alone institutions of the state has been completed on the AISHE portal. The work of data entry for the year 2022-23 will be started from September-2023.
- The Principal Secretary informed us that one government college in each division is being upgraded as a college of excellence. In the first phase, a proposal for additional budget has been sent to the Finance Department for the establishment of excellence colleges in 4 divisions Indore, Ujjain, Jabalpur and Gwalior and model colleges in 10 districts Morena, Datia, Panna, Satna, Anuppur, Khandwa, Sehore, Betul, Balaghat and Neemuch.

Three Flying Training Organizations Inaugurated at Khajuraho, Madhya Pradesh

Why In News?

On July 25, 2023, Union Civil Aviation and Steel Minister Jyotiraditya M. Scindia inaugurated three **Flying Training Organizations (FTOs)** at **Khajuraho in Madhya Pradesh**.

Key Points:

- With the opening of three FTOs in Khajuraho, the total number of FTOs in Madhya Pradesh will go up to six – **three in Khajuraho, one in Indore, one in Sagar and one in Guna**. These six FTOs will become a major means of ensuring contribution by the youth in the development of the region.

- On this occasion, Union Minister Jyotiraditya M. Scindia also announced to start wide body aircraft service between Khajuraho and Varanasi soon.
- Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia said that in the last nine years, the number of airports, water airports and heliports in the country has increased from 74 to 148, which we will be able to increase to more than 200 in the coming 4 years. At the same time, the aircraft capacity has increased from 400 to 700, that is, there has been an increase of 75%, which we will be able to take from 1200 to 1500 in the coming four to five years.
- He informed that in 2016 there were only 28 flying academies in the country, which have now increased to 57. Last year, 1135 commercial pilots' licenses were issued by the Directorate of Civil Aviation (DGCA), which is a record in itself. This year, that number has increased to 731 in just five months.
- **Indian Flying Academy:** Indian Flying Academy is a unit of Shaurya Flight Sim Pvt. Ltd, established at Khajuraho airport under the '**Atmanirbhar Bharat**' initiative by the Prime Minister.
 - It has acquired 05 aircraft, out of which 04 have already arrived. Out of these 04 aircraft, 03 aircraft are single-engine aircraft which include two Diamond DA 40, one Evector and one multi-engine aircraft-Diamond DA 42.
 - Indian Flying Academy will have a capacity of 40 students for flying training per batch and FTO will have 2 batches per year.
- **Flyola Aviation Academy (JetServe Aviation Pvt Ltd) - Helicopter FTO:** Flyola Aviation Academy Helicopter FTO is Asia's first Commercial Helicopter Pilot License (CHPL) training institute. Flyola Aviation Academy currently has two Robinson R44 helicopters in its fleet and has a capacity of 20 students for flight training at a time.



Note:

11 Players from MP will represent India in World University Games in China

Why In News?

According to the information received from Madhya Pradesh Public Relations Department on July 26, 2023, **players of 11 different disciplines in Madhya Pradesh** will represent India in the World University Games to be held in **Chengdu (China) from July 28 to August 8**. In this, nine players are from different academies of Madhya Pradesh.

Key Points:

- Madhya Pradesh Athletics Academy of Excellence Samar Deep Singh, Nidhi Pawaiya, Shalini Chowdhary (all Barkatullah University) Arjun Vaskale (SNCity University), MP Fencing Academy of Excellence Shankar (Rabindranath Tagore University Raisen), Ankit Sharma (Lovely Professional University) and Aishwarya Pratap Singh Tomar and Aashi Choukse (both Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar) and Chinki Yadav (Barkatullah University) from Madhya Pradesh Shooting Academy of Excellence will represent India at the World University Games.
- Madhya Pradesh's Nandini Vats (Rabindranath Tagore University) and Kumari Avinash Yadav (Lovely Professional University, Phagwara) will represent India in the World University Games in Judo.
- Sports and Youth Welfare Minister Smt. Yashodhara Raje Scindia met all the players at TT Nagar Stadium and extended best wishes.



Note:

Heli Shikhar Summit 2023 and Udaan 5.2 inaugurated at Khajuraho

Why In News?

On July 25, 2023 Union Civil Aviation and Steel Minister Jyotiraditya M Scindia inaugurated the **Heli Summit 2023** at **Khajuraho, Madhya Pradesh**. Also launched **RCS Udaan 5.2** and b

Key Points:

- This 5th Helicopter and Small Aircraft Summit (Heli Shikhar Summit 2023) was jointly organized by the Ministry of Civil Aviation in collaboration with the **Government of Madhya Pradesh, Pawan Hans Limited** and **Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)**.
- The theme of the event was **'Reaching the Last Mile: Regional Connectivity through Helicopters and Small Aircraft'**.
- An inaugural session followed by a technical session was organized during the event.
- The main objectives of this summit are as follows:
 - To provide a common platform for all industry stakeholders and policy makers to discuss the growth story of the Indian helicopter and small aircraft industry.
 - To increase the scope of UDAN scheme in remote and hilly areas and to expand rural to urban connectivity in the country.
 - To promote connectivity through helicopters and small aircraft to existing and potential tourist hotspots by providing seamless services.
- UDAN 5.2 has been launched for further enhancing the connectivity to remote and regional areas of the country and achieving last-mile connectivity through small aircraft such as 1A (<9 seats) and Category 1 (<20 seats).
- Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia informed that Udaan 5.2 has been introduced for helicopters and under this VGF has been increased and fare cap has been reduced. Along with this, a single window service platform of Heli Sewa has also been started.
- Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia also launched the Heli-Sewa mobile application during the programme.



- It is noteworthy that the Heli Sewa Portal is an initiative of the Ministry of Civil Aviation under Digital India. Under this, a common platform has been established to create an ecosystem between helicopter operators and district officials.
- This mobile application will make it much more convenient in terms of user experience, content uploading and access.
- A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was also signed between Pawan Hans and Jet Serve on the occasion to further the helicopter and small aircraft sector in India.

Formation of Board of Directors of MP Labor Welfare Board

Why in news?

On July 26, 2023, by Madhya Pradesh Government Labor Department, M.P. Labor Welfare Board has been constituted. Chairman **Bhagwandas Gondane** and Secretary **Welfare Commissioner (ex-officio)** were nominated in the constituted Board of Directors.

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- At present, the Deputy Secretary M.P. Government, Labor Department **Ratnakar Jha** has been given the additional charge of Welfare Commissioner of the circle.
- The Board of Directors consists of 6 representatives of the employers, including Executive Director Bharat

Heavy Electricals Limited Bhopal or representative Atul Khandelwal, Nama Mukund Hari (Director Jargo Ind Pvt. Ltd. and Chairman Pithampur Industry Directors Organization, Pithampur District Dhar), Chandraprakash Awtani (Deputy General Manager (HR) Bhagirath Koch and Metal Factory, Indore, I.K. Kochhar (President Laghu Udyog Bharti, Ratlam Unit, Ratlam), CMD K.P. Solvex Pvt. Ltd., Niwadi and Amit Sharma (Executive Chairman Jaiprakash Associate Ltd., J.P. Nagar, Rewa) are included.

- Employees' representatives in the Board of Directors include Arvind Mishra (State Deputy General Secretary, Indian Labor Union, MP Gwalior), Kamlesh Patel (State Minister of Indian Labor Union, MP Katni), Sangeeta Srivastava (General Secretary, Anganwadi Workers Assistant Union), Indian Labor Union, M.P. Tikamgarh), R.D. Tripathi (President, MP Indian National Trade Union Congress, Bhopal), Deepak Jaiswal (National President National Front of Indian Trade Unions, Bhopal) and Ram Vilas Goswami (State President, Center of Indian Trade Unions Lashkar, Gwalior).
- 7 independent members have been nominated for the Board of Directors, in which Principal Secretary M.P. Government Labor Department, Bhopal, Labor Commissioner, M.P. Government, Indore, Director Employees State Insurance Services Indore, Social worker (Cleanliness Campaign Motivator) Pratap Karosiya (Indore), Shyam, Social worker (Chief of Consumer Jagran Manch, Indore) Sundar Chokse, Social worker and businessman Amrit Jain (Indore) and Dr. Manju Jarolia (Jabalpur) is included.



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