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Sabki Yojana Sabka Vikas Campaign

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The central government has decided to launch the **People's Plan Campaign**, also known as “**Sabki Yojana Sabka Vikas**” from September 2019.

It aims to draw up **Gram Panchayat Development Plans (GPDPs)** in the country and **place them on a website** where anyone can see the status of the various government's flagship schemes.

Background

- A pilot exercise conducted in 2018 suggests that a **majority of the GPs scored between 41% and 50% on a scale of 100, showing glaring deficiencies. Merely 0.1% and 0.6% GPs fell in the high 91-100 and 81-90 score respectively.**
- A comparison of the performance among the larger states shows that **Kerala, Tamil Nadu, and Andhra Pradesh**, in that order, were the top scorers, while GPs in **Jharkhand, Assam, Bihar, and Madhya Pradesh were at the bottom.**
- A recent study of 100 randomly chosen GPs by **National Institute of Rural Development** has shown that several GP has reported improvements while others have slipped down over the past year. A fresh survey is, therefore, significant.

Gram Panchayat Development Plans

- Gram Panchayats have been mandated for the **preparation of GPDP for economic development and social justice** utilizing the resources available to them.
- The GPDP planning process will be comprehensive and participatory by involving **full convergence** with the schemes of all related Central Ministries / Line Departments.

- The People's Plan Campaign initiated under "Sabki Yojana Sabka Vikas" is an intensive and structured exercise for planning at Gram Sabha through **convergence between Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) and concerned departments of the State.**

About the process

- Gram Panchayat Development Plans (GPDPs) will include **48 indicators** covering various aspects such as health and sanitation, education etc.
- After each GP is scored out of 100 — **with 30 marks for infrastructure, 30 marks for human development, and 40 marks for economic activity**— the GPs will be ranked.
- The data on the 48 indicators would come from Census 2011 (for physical infrastructure), **Socio-Economic Caste Census 2011** (for Household-level deprivation data), and fresh survey starting in September 2019 that will be carried out by **local facilitators.**
- The score for each GP will reflect the **local needs and priorities.**
 - For instance, for a drought-prone area, water conservation would be accorded the highest priority.
 - Within this ranking, households suffering the worst deprivations would be prioritised further.
- The entire ranking exercise is **meant to identify the gaps at the GP level, make an assessment of where it stands, and accordingly plan the interventions.**

National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj

- The National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRD&PR) is an **autonomous organisation under the Union Ministry of Rural Development.**
- It is recognized internationally as one of the **United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) Centres of Excellence.**
- It **builds capacities** of rural development functionaries, elected representatives of PRIs, bankers, NGOs and other stakeholders through interrelated activities of training, research and consultancy.
- Establishment in 1958, the Institute is **located at Hyderabad in Telangana.**
- In addition to the main campus at Hyderabad, this Institute has **North-Eastern Regional Centre at Guwahati, Assam** to meet the NE-regional needs.

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