



Chief Minister Vatsalya Yojana

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On August 02, 2021, Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami duly launched the '**Mukhyamantri Vatsalya Yojana**' for the **destitute children** during the Covid-19 period.

Key point

- In a program organized at the Janta Darshan Hall located at the Chief Minister's residence, the Chief Minister transferred an assistance **amount of Rs 3,000** to the bank accounts of the children identified in the scheme by DBT.
- Under this scheme, financial assistance of Rs 3 thousand per month has been allowed to the children covered from July 01, 2021, till the age of 21 years. Along with this, arrangements for free ration, free education are also being made for them.
- The DMs of the districts will protect the property of these children. Uttarakhand is the first state to introduce five percent horizontal reservation in jobs for orphans. The government will also focus on the skill development of these children.
- MIS portal is being made for the operation of 'Mukhyamantri Vatsalya Yojana', in which the details of all the children will be filled online by the districts.
- Under this scheme, a total of 2347 boys/girls have been identified from birth to 21 years of age till August 01, 2021. A total of 1062 children have been benefited in the first phase on the occasion of the launch of the scheme.