



Muria Darbar

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On October 17, 2021, Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel attended the '**Muria Darbar**' organized in Sirhasar under the world famous historical Bastar Dussehra and made various announcements fulfilling the demands made by the public representatives.

Key Points

- On reaching Sirhasar to attend the Muria court, Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel was welcomed by Manjhi-drivers wearing traditional turbans.
- On this occasion, the Chief Minister announced the recruitment of one clerk and one clerk for the Temple Committee and also renamed the Government Engineering College located here after Veer Jhada Sirha. He also announced the construction of a modern Jyoti room in the Danteshwari temple.
- The Muria Durbar in Bastar was started on March 8, 1876, in which the Deputy Commissioner of Sironcha, Make George, addressed the Manjhi-Chalkis. Later, according to the convenience of the people, it was made an integral part of Bastar Dussehra, which continued for 145 years as per tradition.
- The princely state of Bastar established a pargana in his state and appointed a manjhi (head) from the native tribes, who used to convey everything about his area to the king, while also making the villagers aware of the decree. In the Muria court, the **Manjhi** of **80 Parganas**, set by the king, inform him about the problems of his area.
- Earlier in the Muria court, the king and the officials of the princely state used to listen to the words of the Manjhis and the then administration used to take the initiative to solve them. After independence, the appearance of the Muria court changed. After 1947, along with the king, public representatives also started joining it.
- Before 1965, the Bastar Maharaja Late. Praveer Chandra Bhanjdev continued to preside over the court. After his death, members of the royal family had stopped coming to Muria's court. Since the year 2015, Kamalchandra Bhanjdev of the Raj family has been attending this court.

- Now elected public representatives and senior officials of Bastar division are present in the Muria court of Bastar. They take applications from the villagers. Manjhi, Chaliki and member-members keep their problems in front of them. The Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh has also attended almost every Muria Darbar since 2009-10.