



Skoch Governance Gold Award

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Why in News

Bihar has received the Skoch Governance Gold Award in the recently held 75th Skoch conference. At the same time, the **Mukhyamantri Gram Sampark Yojana**, which is running under the Department of Rural Affairs, has been given a silver award by the Skoch Institute.

Key Points

- This **award has been given to Bihar for promoting online delivery of public services and e-governance**.
- Bihar Administrative Reforms Mission has been given this award for implementing a unique initiative of innovation adopted in the form of '**Bihar e-Lok Seva**'.
- It may be noted that the **Bihar Government had implemented the Right to Public Services Act on August 15, 2011** with the objective of providing public services to its citizens in due time.
- The **Skoch Award is presented by the 'Skoch Group'** for its best efforts in digital, financial and social inclusion.
- It covers issues such as best governance, inclusive growth, excellence in technology and applications, change management, corporate leadership, corporate governance, citizen service delivery, capacity building and empowerment.