



In-principle Consent to the Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme in the State | Chhattisgarh | 24 Sep 2021

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On September 23, 2021, Chief Minister **Bhupesh Baghel** gave in-principle consent to implement the **Revamped Distribution Sector (RDS)** Scheme in the state.

Key Points

- The Chief Minister gave this consent while attending the meeting held by **Rajkumar Singh, Minister of Power, New and Renewable Energy**, Government of India through video conferencing from his residence office.
- During the discussion, the Chief Minister, while giving in-principle consent to the scheme, **supported the demand** for giving **additional time limit** for **payment of electricity subsidy** by other states.
- Energy Ministers from **Bihar, Gujarat, West Bengal, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Goa and Daman and Diu** also attended this meeting.
- Under the **Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme**, along with increasing the power infrastructure in the state, action will be taken to **modernize and strengthen** them.
- Under this scheme, **all 53 lakh 50 thousand consumers, except agricultural consumers, will have smart meters installed**.
- The Central government has set **December 31, 2021 as the deadline** for submission of a **detailed project report**.
- The **estimated cost of the scheme is Rs 9,600 crores**, which is targeted to be completed by March 2025.

Chhattisgarh Got Four National Awards for Ayushman | Chhattisgarh | 24 Sep 2021

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On September 23, 2021, **Chhattisgarh** received **four national awards** for best performance in **Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana** and **Dr. Khubchand Baghel Health Assistance Scheme**.

Key Points

- Union Health Minister **Mansukh Bhai Mandaviya** presented these awards to the state in the online '**Arogya Manthan 3.0**' organized by the **National Health Authority in New Delhi**.
- The awards were distributed in **six categories** by the **National Health Authority**, out of which **Chhattisgarh** was awarded in **four categories**.
- Chhattisgarh has **got the first place for registration of maximum number of Ayushman cards** across the country through Choice Centres.
- Chhattisgarh secured the top slot in the country in the registration of at least one member of each family in the state.
- **Sunil Kumar Kushwaha**, Choice Centre Director of Kusmusa village of Bhaiyathan block of **Surajpur district**, came **second in the country in terms of Ayushman card registration**.
- **Chhattisgarh ranks third in the country** in terms of providing treatment to women through the scheme, giving **priority to gender equality**. Treatment has been provided to **3,20,661 women of the state through the scheme**.