



Big Decision in the Interest of Weavers

Why in News

- On December 15, 2021, Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel, taking a big decision in the interest of thousands of weaver families of the state, directed to purchase the uniforms of school students through Chhattisgarh Handloom Development and Marketing Cooperative Federation of Maryadit.

Key Points

- With this important decision of the Chief Minister, thousands of weavers associated with the Handloom Development and Marketing Cooperative Federation will get regular employment and they will get financial benefits.
- After this initiative of the Chief Minister, the School Education Department has given in-principle consent to Chhattisgarh Handloom Development and Marketing Cooperative Federation Limited regarding the purchase of uniforms for the academic session 2022-23.
- Uniforms will be distributed free of cost to the primary-secondary students of the School Education Department and only Rs.10 to the students of economically weaker families studying in high school-higher secondary schools.
- There are 292 weavers' societies working in the state, out of which 250 weavers' societies are engaged in the production of 59 types of government garments in the Handloom Association. In the last three years, 7812 women of 651 women self-help groups working in the state were also provided additional employment in sewing clothes by the state government.
- The State Government has provided about Rs 10.02 crore for new weaving training and skill training of 3100 traditional weavers to 1346 beneficiaries willing to adopt handloom weaving employment.
- Along with this, to encourage the children of weavers by the Handloom Association, a scholarship of Rs 36.19 lakh has been provided to 885 students who have passed class 10th and 12th with 60 percent marks.