



# India Today State of the States Conclave-2021

## Why in News

- On December 18, 2021, Senior Associate Editor of India Today presented the '**Most Improved Big State in Agriculture**' award to Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan at the 'India Today State of the States Conclave 2021' on behalf of India Today Group.

## Key Points

- Every year the states are awarded in two categories in the agriculture sector by India Today. These categories are Overall Best and Most Improved State in Agriculture. Madhya Pradesh has been awarded this award for its efforts towards adopting latest technologies for increasing income from agriculture and making market facilities accessible to farmers.
- Madhya Pradesh has received this award for the fourth time in a row in the Most Improved Big State in Agriculture.
- To increase agricultural production in Madhya Pradesh, along with various incentive schemes, the procurement of agricultural produce at the minimum support price has been ensured. Along with this, special efforts are being made on value addition while working towards increasing the income from agriculture of the farmers.
- For the purpose of providing necessary advice for value addition in respect of seven major crops, the services of experts have been taken. The procurement process has also been simplified in the state through the app. Grants are being made available to the farmers in the state on the latest equipment for agriculture.