



Chhattisgarh Sports Development Authority

Why In News

- On January 9, 2022, **Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel** said that the work of formation of **Chhattisgarh Sports Development Authority** would be completed soon.

Key Points

- Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel gave this information while discussing with the people of the state on the topic of '**Youth dreams and Chhattisgarh**' in the 25th episode of **Lokvani, a radio talk broadcast from All India Radio**.
- The Chief Minister said that **Chhattisgarh Sports Development Authority** is being established in order to provide necessary facilities, training, equipment and other expenses to the youth players of the state.
- For the first time in the history of Chhattisgarh, the overall infrastructure of sports training has been developed, under which 9 academies have been established. Nine such academies have already been started for girls in football and for boys and girls in Kabaddi, Archery, Athletics and Hockey.
- The Chief Minister said that a '**Rajiv Yuva Mitan Club**' would be formed in the state, so that **youth could join this club and cooperate in creative work**.
- Under this, an action plan has been prepared for the formation of Rajiv Yuva Mitan Clubs in 13,269 urban bodies and gram panchayats of the state. **Each club will consist of 20 to 40 youth aged between 15 and 40 years**.
- Under the '**Think Be**' (**Technology Hub and Innovation for Knowledge Bastar**) project, the youth of Bastar are being encouraged for innovation, self-employment and entrepreneurship.
- **Protection and development of various tribal arts, folk songs, choreography, craftsmanship, culture, language, literature, food, costumes** are being done through the institution '**BADAL**' (**Bastar Academy of Dance, Art, Literature and Language**).
- The Chief Minister said that a **processing unit is being set up in Kanker district for crops like Kodo, Kutki, Ragi** and in Durg district for processing various agricultural products. Land has been allotted for the establishment of food parks in more than 200 development blocks.