

Van Mahotsav Campaign | Uttar Pradesh | 06 Jul 2022

Why in News?

On July 5, 2022, in Chitrakoot district of Uttar Pradesh, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath started the Van Mahotsav campaign by planting Harishankari saplings in Kodand forest area located in Sehrin village, the ashram of Maharishi Valmiki.

Key Points

- On this occasion, he said that natural farming and horticulture would be promoted in Bundelkhand. This experiment has been successful in the districts along the banks of the Ganges. The problem of Anna cattle will be solved. Along with this, pesticides will be prepared from cow dung and cow urine, which will be used in agriculture.
- It may be mentioned that under this campaign, the target is to plant 35 crore saplings in the state. In this, 25 crore saplings were planted in a day (July 5) and on August 15, 5 crore saplings will be planted.
- 7 lakh drumstick plants will be planted in front of PM and CM residences free of cost in the state. It is known that Tiger Reserve Park is being built in Chitrakoot, where Tigers will be brought.
- The Chief Minister directed the forest department officials to displace the villages in the forest area by giving them NOC at the earliest and take up the work of connecting the village with the city. If there are NOC or dispute cases for development works, dispose of them on priority.

Fellowship in Blocks to Visionary Youth | Uttar Pradesh | 06 Jul 2022

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On July 5, 2022, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath directed the officials of the Housing Department to make rules for taking the services of Visionary Youth to accelerate the pace of development in the blocks of the state.

Key Points

- Under this, Visionary Youth will get an opportunity for the development of development blocks through a special fellowship of 2 years.
- The Chief Minister has ordered the appointment of a town planner in each municipal corporation to plan ahead. They will get a 2-year fellowship.
- Along with this, in the case of transfer of property or gift deed in the name of heir, now only Rs 5 thousand and Rs 10 thousand will have to be paid on the filing and rejection respectively.
- The Chief Minister said that for the larger public interest, it is necessary to simplify the process of

mutation of property in development authorities. At present, the mutation fee of the total value of the property is being charged one percent. It needs to be reduced. The present process is also quite complex, it should be made practical with the help of technology.

- Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has directed to start a special fellowship programme for proper development of aspirational development blocks. This fellowship will be for two years. In this, the youth with technical, management degree will be deployed.
- In this, the selection of youth should be done through a transparent system. Good monthly amount will be given. They should also be given technical equipment like tablets, smartphones, etc.
- The Chief Minister directed the officers that the rates of water and transport charges should be fixed every year. For this, the Income Tax Department's Cost Inflation Index should be made the basis.
- Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath said a maximum mutation fee of Rs 10,000 should be charged based on the value of the property to be given or free hold. In case of lease property, one percent mutation fee can be charged.
- The Chief Minister directed those arrangements should be made by the development authorities to collect water charges from the residents. Water charges are not being charged in most of the development authorities. Water charges are being charged by Lucknow and Varanasi Development Authority on the prescribed fee at their level. Rules should be made for this.
- The Chief Minister directed to start the work of Lucknow Green Corridor within two months. The scheme will give an attractive look to Lucknow. There are some slums on both banks of the Gomti river and around the Naimisharanya Guest House. They should be marked and the inhabitants here should be settled elsewhere.
- The Chief Minister directed that The Butler Lake be developed as Amrit Sarovar. Development authorities, civic bodies, administration and police should ensure that illegal settlements and residential colonies are not allowed to come up under any circumstances.
- The Chief Minister said that block-wise information on the selected indicators should be collected at the end of the current month considering May 2022 as the baseline. Thereafter, fresh progress details may be fed by the concerned districts by the 15th of every month. This should also be confirmed by the concerned departments. Its progress should also be linked to the CM Dashboard.

Uttar Pradesh Mango Festival-2022 | Uttar Pradesh | 06 Jul 2022

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Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on July 4, 2022, launched the four-day 'Uttar Pradesh Aam Mahotsav-2022' at Awadh Shilp Gram, Lucknow . The festival will be held till July 7, 2022.

Key Points

- All dimensions of increase in production, processing, marketing, export and quality of mangoes through the Mango Festival will be communicated to them by the concerned Departments/Officers/Scientists in consultation with the mango growers.
- Processed mango products and plants will also be available for sale at the festival.
- Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister directed the officials of the Horticulture Department to organize a mango festival from 1st to 7th July every year and invite and felicitate mango gardeners from different states of the country.
- At the event, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath announced the creation of a mega cluster of mangoes in Lucknow. The project will be completed in the next five years. An amount of Rs 100 crore has been sanctioned from the Centre for this project.
- He said that now the mango of Mal in Lucknow, Malihabad and Kakori Phalpatti will be sent in the name of Kakori Mango in the country and abroad. Lucknow mangoes will be branded with the

same name. It is worth noting that in the year 2005, the then government had branded the mango of Lucknow in the name of Nawab Mango.

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