



Stationery Free for Primary School Children

Why In New?

- Recently, in the Uttar Pradesh cabinet meeting, an important proposal related to increasing the amount given for school dress and stationery for children was approved.

Key Points

- In the cabinet meeting, it was decided to increase the amount to be given to the parents of children of classes one to eight of primary schools. This time, from Rs 1100 to Rs 1200 will be increased through DBT.
- With this amount, all students of classes one to eight in primary and upper primary schools run by Uttar Pradesh Basic Shiksha Parishad and non-government aided primary and pre-secondary schools will also be able to buy uniforms, sweaters, school bags, shoes and socks along with stationery in the current academic session.
- The stationery consists of four copies, two pencils, two pens, four rubbers and four shopners.
- Against the enrolment target of two crore children in the current academic session, 1.91 crore children have been enrolled so far. Sending an amount of Rs 1,200 to the bank accounts of parents of enrolled children will cost a total of Rs 2,225.6 crore.
- The Cabinet has also approved a proposal to issue advance financial sanction of the entire amount of uniform, sweaters, bags, shoes and stationery to the children without waiting for them to receive the central share in each year. This will enable the money to be transferred to the accounts of parents through DBT in time.
- While both the central and state governments provide budgets for uniforms, the cost of sweaters, bags, shoes and socks is borne by the state government from its own resources.

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