



# Foundation Stone of the First Toy Cluster of Central India

## Why In News?

On August 27, 2022, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan laid the virtual foundation stone of the first toy cluster of Central India 'Indore International Toy Cluster' in the Employment Day program organized at Amardas Hall, Indore.

## Key Points

- On this occasion, the Chief Minister also launched an e-learning module for entrepreneurship development training.
- The Chief Minister said that 42 clusters have been sanctioned in the state, out of which this toy cluster built at a cost of Rs 2.84 crore was inaugurated in Indore. In this first toy cluster of Central India, 20 small units will be set up and more than two thousand people will get employment opportunities.
- An investment of Rs 80 crore is expected in the first phase of this cluster. Similarly, through various clusters, not only will investment increase in the state, but employment opportunities will be provided many times faster.
- Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan announced to celebrate Employment Day every month across the state and connect 2.5 lakh unemployed with employment.
- The Chief Minister distributed checks and loan sanction letters to the beneficiaries under the self-employment scheme. For self-employment, assistance of Rs 466 crore was provided to more than 75 thousand beneficiaries. Benefit certificates were also distributed to the selected beneficiaries by the Chief Minister.
- It is noteworthy that on January 12, 2022, the first Employment Day was organized in Madhya Pradesh, in which more than 5 lakh people of the state were provided employment under various schemes. By March 31, 2022, loans worth Rs 7 thousand crore were sanctioned to about 13 lakh beneficiaries by giving benefits of various schemes.

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