

Lakhpati Mahila Karyakram | Uttar Pradesh | 14 Nov 2022

Why In News?

 According to media information on November 13, 2022, the Uttar Pradesh government is going to start 'Lakhpati Mahila Karyakram' to make the women of the state financially more capable, through which 15 lakh women will be made millionaires in the first three years.

Key Points

- Such efforts will be made in the state through 'Lakhpati Mahila Karyakram' so that the annual family income of women can be reached more than one lakh rupees. Its responsibility has been entrusted to the Uttar Pradesh State Rural Livelihood Mission and a presentation has been made to Chief Secretary Durgashankar Mishra regarding the outline of this program, which is planned to be implemented in mission mode and the results will be achieved soon.
- In the first phase of 'Lakhpati Mahila Karyakram', it will be launched in 11 districts, including Aligarh, Sultanpur, Bahraich, Banda, Basti, Lakhimpur Kheri, Mirzapur, besides Varanasi and Prayagraj. Hamirpur and Sonbhadra are included. In these districts, women of self-help groups will be identified by conducting a campaign in a phased manner and efforts will be made to increase the annual income by linking them with various types of schemes. Apart from this, they will also be given training in various government schemes.
- A time frame has also been set to ensure that the programme reaches its conclusion at the earliest. Under this, task forces will be formed at the district and development block level. By November 15, task forces will be formed at the district and development block level and it will be reviewed after March 30.
- The Task Force will be headed by the District Magistrate at the district level, while the Chief Development Officer will be the Secretary. Deputy Commissioner Self Employment, Deputy Commissioner MGNREGA will be its member. Apart from this, members of Agriculture Development, Horticulture, Panchayati Raj, Women and Child Development, Social Welfare, Fisheries, Animal Husbandry will also be involved in this task force.
- The work progress of this task force will have to be reviewed monthly. The task of the task force
 will be to upload the self-declared income of all self-help group members of the development block
 on the Lakhpati Mahila App and review the implementation of private and collective livelihood
 promotion schemes included in MNREGA.

Kahalgaon gets 'Swarna Shakti Safety' Award on NTPC's 48th Foundation Day | Bihar | 14 Nov 2022

Why In News?

 Recently, NTPC Kahalgaon 'of Bhagalpur district of Bihar was awarded the coveted 'Swarna Shakti Trophy' for its outstanding work in Security (O&M) category at the 'Swarna Shakti Award' program of NTPC's 48th Foundation Day celebrations.

Key Points

- It is known that the 48th NTPC Foundation Day function was organized on 11th November in New Delhi.
- NTPC awards NTPC Swarna Shakti Awards are given to projects every year with an aim to motivate employees to perform better and achieve the goals of the organization.
- The award is given for better performance in the areas of productivity, safety, employee relations, environmental protection and improvement, official language, best health facilities, CSR and community development and project management.
- Executive Director (Ex-I) DSGSS Babji and Chief General Manager of Kahalgaon Project Arindam Sinha received the award on behalf of RK Singh, Cabinet Minister, Department of Power, New and Renewable Energy.
- It is noteworthy that this year the accident rate in plant operation in NTPC's Kahalgaon project was zero and overhauling work was also accident free. In order to create awareness about safety among the employees and working contractual workers in this project, programs on road safety, electrical safety, fire safety, home safety were organized by the security department throughout the year. Due to this the Kahalgaon project was declared as the best among all the NTPC projects in the country in this area.

Fourth National Lok Adalat | Rajasthan | 14 Nov 2022

Why In News?

 On November 12, 2022, Birendra Singh, Chief Justice of the Jaipur Bench of the State High Court under the aegis of National Legal Services Authority, New Delhi, inaugurated the Fourth National Lok Adalat for the year-2022 across Rajasthan in the premises of Rajasthan High Court in Jaipur.

- On this occasion, Birendra Singh said that Lok Adalat's are the best medium to settle the disputes
 of the common man with mutual harmony and cooperation and cases are heard in the benches of
 Lok Adalat under the chairmanship of former and retired judges. With the benefit of the
 experiences of the former Judge, the disposal of these complaints becomes easy and easy and the
 Lok Adalat provides complete relief to the common man.
- He said that due to complex cases, the number of pending cases in the courts has increased, but in the Lok Adalat, the cases are resolved through mutual agreements, which will reduce the burden of the court. It is a cheap and accessible means of justice, where no one is defeated or anyone wins, but success is achieved by mutual harmony.
- He said that this time 480 benches have been set up, in which about 6 lakh cases will be heard and Rajasthan has been second in the entire country in the disposal of cases in the last Lok Adalat. Through the fourth National Lok Adalat, efforts will be made that Rajasthan gets the first place by disposing of more and more cases.
- It is noteworthy that in the last three National Lok Adalat's of this year, a total of 24 lakh 86 thousand 693 cases have been disposed of with mutual resignation.
- In the Fourth National Lok Adalat, 5 lakh 45 thousand 721 cases have been identified from across the state for disposal and a total of 480 Lok Adalat benches have been formed across the state.
- A total of 2017 cases have been identified by Rajasthan High Court Legal Services Committee, Jaipur at the High Court level and a total of 4 benches have been constituted. The benches are headed by former Justice SK Garg, Justice Prashant Kumar Agarwal, Justice Banwari Lal Sharma and

Justice Govardhan Barhdar.

- It is to be noted that in order to facilitate access of litigants to Lok Adalat, with the inspiration of MM Srivastava, Judge of Rajasthan High Court and Executive Chairman of RALSA, Lok Adalat has been given a digital form by applying Ralsa-22 online Lok Adalat digital platform in Lok Adalat. went. While improving this, this platform has been made more simple.
- Apart from this, 'Nyaya Ro Sathi Mobile App' has also been made accessible to the public to keep the case in The Lok Adalat this time and through doorstep counseling and online video counseling, the Lok Adalat is being taken to the house and door of the litigants.

Rajasthan DigiFest and Job Fair | Rajasthan | 14 Nov 2022

Why In News?

 On November 13, 2022, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot concluded the Rajasthan DigiFest and Job Fair at government polytechnic college campus in Jodhpur.

Key Points

- On the occasion of the closing ceremony, Ashok Gehlot, while laying the foundation stone of Rajiv Gandhi Fintech Digital Institute, said that this institute will be built at a cost of Rs 672.45 crore, in which youth including students and startups will get a world-class platform.
- On this occasion, he released the Rajasthan Startup Policy-2022, which will encourage startups in the state, increase employment opportunities and also expand the investment sector. In this, special care has been taken for every category including SC-ST.
- The Chief Minister also inaugurated I-Start Nest Incubator Center at Jodhpur and Pali (virtual) for entrepreneurship, skill development among students. During this, the Chief Minister distributed symbolic checks of Rs 41.15 lakh as prizes to the winners of the School and Rural Innovation Challenge.
- It is notable that earlier incubator centers have been established in Jaipur, Jodhpur, Udaipur, Ajmer, Kota, Bikaner, Bharatpur and Churu in the state.
- The Chief Minister also distributed funds of Rs 1 crore to 12 startups of the state at the function. It is noteworthy that more than 3000 startups are registered under i-START, in which an amount of Rs 30 crore was distributed to them, which has brought investment of up to Rs 200 crore in the state and more than 21 thousand people have got employment.
- He said that more than 23 thousand youth participated in the three-day job fair in Jodhpur. In this, more than 3500 youth have been selected for employment by various companies. More than 9200 youth have also been shortlisted here, which is a big achievement. Packages worth lakhs of rupees have also been given to the youth in this fair.
- Principal Secretary, Information Technology and Communication Department, Akhil Arora said about Digifest-2022 that Jodhpur has immense potential for information technology and communication and the youth of Rajasthan have proved their talent in the country and the world with the far-reaching thinking and innovations of the government in the field of startups.

Madhya Pradesh's Pooja Ojha Selected for National Award | Madhya

Pradesh | 14 Nov 2022

Why In News?

 On November 13, 2022, Para Kayaking player Pooja Ojha of Bhind district of Madhya Pradesh has been selected for the National Award (Best Disabled Category Sports) by the Union Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.

Key Points

- Asian Para Championship silver medalist Pooja Ojha will be given this honor at a function held in New Delhi on December 3.
- Pooja Ojha won a silver medal under the guidance of her coach Mayank Thakur in the ICF World Para Canoe Championship-2022 held in Canada in August.
- Pooja, in association with the Kayaking and Canoeing Association of India and the Sports Authority
 of India, had gone to participate in the event.
- This honor is being given to Pooja by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment. Six best
 players from all over the country have been selected including Pooja in the Best Disabled category
 sports and Pooja is the only player selected from Madhya Pradesh.

Augmentation of Capacity of Gurgaon Water Supply Channel (GWS) to Augment Water Supply in Gurugram District | Haryana | 14 Nov 2022

Why In News?

 On November 12, 2022, Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal informed a meeting of the Irrigation and Water Resources Department held in Chandigarh that the capacity of Gurgaon Water Supply Channel (GWS) will be increased to increase water supply in Gurugram district of the state.

- It may be noted that at present the water supply channel capacity in Gurugram is 175 cusecs, which will be increased to 1000 cusecs according to the population of the year 2030. For this, the repair and remodeling of the channel will cost about Rs 1600 crore.
- It was informed in the meeting that the length of Gurgaon water supply channel is 69 km, which originates from Kakroi head on RD No-227800 of Delhi branch and ends at Basai Water Treatment Plant.
- The channel was constructed in the year 1995 with a capacity of 175 cusecs. The channel caters to the water needs of Bahadurgarh, Gurugram and 28 water works of Public Health Engineering, HSIIDC and Forest Department. The channel lining has deteriorated due to continuous water flow for 27 years. In some places, there have been cracks in the channel and due to siltation, the water capacity has decreased and the capacity of this channel has reached 100 cusecs, which is in dire need of repair.
- It was informed in the meeting that water is also taken from this channel by various departments to meet the needs of water. It can be clearly seen from this that by the year 2040, the requirement of drinking water in Gurugram city and towns will reach about 475 cusecs. To meet this demand and to avoid wastage of water, a project of remodeling of GWS channel has been prepared along with increasing the cusec capacity.
- At present, 1050 cusecs of water is being given to Delhi, 400 cusecs to Gurugram and the

remaining water is being used for irrigation. With the repair, remodeling of these channels, the total capacity will be 2300 cusecs, which will be able to meet the availability of water by the year 2030.

- It was informed in the meeting that by the year 2030, 1068 cusecs will be required according to the water needs of Haryana Urban Development Authority, Gurugram Metropolitan Development Authority, Public Health Engineering Department, HSIIDC, Forest Department etc. Similarly, 1269 cusecs of water will be required by 2040 and 1504 cusecs by 2050. This will also require redesign and remodeling of the Delhi branch.
- Regarding water supply, it was informed in the meeting that Renuka, Kishau and Lakhwar dams are proposed to be built on Yamuna river, whose work is likely to be completed by 2031. With the construction of these dams, Haryana will get 1150 cusecs of water from its share.
- The Chief Minister said that in order to ensure proper management of water, the treated waste water policy will have to be fully implemented in the colonies developed by the Haryana Urban Development Authority, industrial estates developed by HSIIDC and colonies developed by private developers in the coming years, which will Under double pipeline, separate line for clean water and separate line for treated water and installation of micro STP will be emphasized and apart from this emphasis will be laid on implementing rain water harvesting system.
- The Chief Minister directed the officials to take steps to bring the water of river Ganga to Haryana, for which a letter should be written to the Ministry of Water Resources, Government of India and Government of Uttar Pradesh for the construction of Ganga-Yamuna Link Canal. With the construction of this link canal, additional availability of water to Haryana will be ensured.
- He also directed the officials of the Faridabad Metropolitan Authority that to meet the water requirement in Faridabad also, emphasis should be laid on water harvesting through Raini well project. Apart from this, an expert committee should also be constituted, which will study the underground flow in Yamuna and also assess how much water is needed in South Haryana and how much is being supplied at present.

Rope-way will be Built in 5 Major Areas of Jharkhand | Jharkhand | 14 Nov 2022

Why In News?

 According to the information received from the media on November 13, 2022, under the Government of India's National Rope-way Program ranges, to promote tourism in five major hilly areas of the state including Lugu Buru Ghantabari of Bokaro district and Maithon of Dhanbad district of Jharkhand. Ropeway will be constructed.

- For the construction of the ropeway, the Road Construction Department of Jharkhand has prepared its proposal and sent it to the Government of India.
- In view of the geographical structure of the state, the remote hilly areas, the Road Construction Department of the state has decided to include these five projects under the National Ropeway Program Ranges of the Government of India and after getting approval from the Government of India, further action will be taken towards its construction.
- In Jharkhand, Maithon in Dhanbad, Lugu Buru Ghantabari of Bokaro, Netarhat, Saranda (Noamundi) and Dalma hill areas are being included in the first phase.
- About four km in Netarhat (Queen of Chotanagpur) of the state. To build a long rope-way and about five km in Saranda of Noamundi in West Singhbhum. Proposal has been sent for construction of long ropeway.
- According to the department, it is the largest Sal forest in Asia. Apart from this, five km in Dalma

near Jamshedpur. A proposal for a long ropeway has been prepared and sent.

- It is known that Dalma is a wildlife sanctuary.
- The Road Construction Department has taken about one and a half km in Maithon. The proposal sent to build a long ropeway has been described as Spoon Island.
- In Lugu Buru Ghantabadi in Bokaro district, which is four km. A long rope-way will be built, it will be built at Lugu Hill in Gomia block, where a large number of Santhali tribals gather for religious purposes on the occasion of Kartik Purnima.

MoU between Chhattisgarh government and ICCR | Chhattisgarh | 14 Nov 2022

Why In News?

 On November 11, 2022, an agreement was signed between the Government of Chhattisgarh and the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) in New Delhi in the presence of Chhattisgarh Culture Minister Amarjeet Bhagat.

Key Points

- The main objective of this agreement between the Government of Chhattisgarh and ICCR is to develop bilateral cultural relations with other countries along with the development and expansion of cultural and tourism related facilities and building strong infrastructure in the state with the active participation of ICCR and the State Government.
- The agreement between the Chhattisgarh government and the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) will open up new possibilities in the field of culture and tourism in the state.
- With this agreement, the performance of participating artists from different countries will be
 possible in various cultural and tourism related programs organized in Chhattisgarh state.
 Similarly, exhibitions, art camps, seminars, conferences, workshops of performing arts etc. of art
 groups of Chhattisgarh state will be organized abroad, this will give international recognition to the
 art culture of Chhattisgarh.
- It is noteworthy that during the National Tribal Dance Festival and Rajyotsava to be held in the capital of Chhattisgarh, ICCR has played the most important role in inviting dancers from abroad and sending them back to their country honorably after the event.

PM Shree Schools | Uttarakhand | 14 Nov 2022

Why In News?

 On November 13, 2022, Akash Saraswat, the nodal officer appointed for the establishment of PM Shree School in Uttarakhand, told that after the announcement of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, PM Shree schools will be opened at the national level. At present, 206 such schools have been selected by the State Education Department at its level.

Key Points

- According to state nodal officer Akash Saraswat, the education department has also selected government schools from each block and municipal corporation area for this. After being selected from the state level, there will now be a final stamp on the basis of the marks received by these schools from the Center.
- According to state nodal officer Akash Saraswat, all these will be model schools, on which most of the expenditure will be borne by the central government.
- On November 10, the Education Department has announced the appointment of Akash Saraswat, Deputy State Project Director of Samagra Shiksha, as the nodal officer for the establishment of PM Shree schools in the state. The Chief Education Officer will be its nodal officer at the district level.
- According to the state nodal officer, the state's Kendriya Vidyalayas, Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas and various schools run by the state government are to be included in the PM Shri Yojana.
- For this, one government primary school and one middle school from each block have been selected as PM Shree School at the state level considering the various facilities available in the schools such as playground, laboratory, library, class room, rain water harvesting etc. Apart from this, two schools have been selected from each municipal corporation area.
- After the selection of these schools at the state level, these schools will be registered on the central government portal this week. Based on the facilities available in the schools, these schools will be declared as 'PM Shri' schools by the central government.
- According to the state nodal officer, after 206 schools in the state, others will also be developed as model schools. The special thing about these schools will be that students will get all possible facilities in them.

Uttarakhand's First Aerocity to be Built Near Jolly Grant Airport | Uttarakhand | 14 Nov 2022

Why In News?

 On November 13, 2022, Uttarakhand Additional Chief Secretary Anand Bardhan informed that on the lines of Delhi, the proposal of Aerocity near Jolly Grant Airport is under consideration. With the availability of land, this project will be visible on the ground.

- Land is being searched for this project near Jolly Grant Airport. All state-of-the-art facilities ranging from five star hotels, malls, cafes, restaurants will be provided in Aerocity. It will also have accommodation for thousands of people.
- With the implementation of this project, it will be the first world-class state-of-the-art city in the state.
- Jolly Grant Airport is also being expanded. After this the airport will have international connectivity. In such a situation, Aerocity can also emerge as a big business hub of the future. It can also prove effective in taking the local products of Uttarakhand to the international market.
- The park will be set up here on the lines of foreign countries. The park will have jogging, cycling tracks and huts for meditation. Also, landscaping and planting Australian grass are also under consideration. At the same time, flowers and greenery will be seen in the parks in every season.
- The KLIA Aeropolis Aerocity in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia is said to be a great example of this concept. Similarly, Dubai has built Festival City just a mile away from the airport, which provides accommodation, schools, malls etc. for one lakh people.
- Significantly, Aerocity has been established near the Indira Gandhi International Airport in the capital Delhi. All the facilities from five star hotels, malls, hotels to cafes are available here. Due to

its proximity to the International Airport, it is fast developing as a business hub as well. Similarly, the work on the project of Aerocity in Mohali (Punjab) is also going on.

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