



Chief Minister Made Many Important Announcements | Uttarakhand | 24 Mar 2023

Why in News?

On 23 March 2023, Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami made several important announcements for the state in a program organised on the completion of one year in office.

Key Points

- In the programme, Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami informed that the 'Chief Minister's Competitive Examination Transport Scheme' has been implemented in the state, under which the candidates for competitive examinations of the state will have to pay only 50 percent fare in roadways buses. This facility will be available for both the journey going for the examination and coming back.
 - Now computer and information technology education will be implemented from class six in the state. Apart from this, the pension received by the democracy fighter on his death will be given to the widowed wife.
 - During this, the Chief Minister also released a one year new example development booklet of the Information and Public Relations Department.
 - He also laid the foundation stone of the proposed City Forest Scheme at Tarla Nagar in Sahastradhara at a cost of Rs 37 crore.
 - Other announcements of CM Dhami-
 - **Mobile laboratory** - (Lab on Wheels) will be started in all 13 districts of Uttarakhand for government school children.
 - **Science and IT Corridor** - Science technology and information technology corridor will be formed in the state. Science and Technology Innovation Policy will come soon.
 - **Sports University** -The international stadium built at Goalapar in Haldwani will be upgraded to make it a sports university according to international standards.
 - **Chief Minister Horticulture Scheme** - Chief Minister Horticulture Scheme will be started for the farmers of the state. At the same time, the Chief Minister's State Livestock Mission will start for the cattle rearers.
 - **Villages will be connected by roads** - Mukhyamantri Gram Sadak Yojana will start soon. Under this scheme, the main roads of villages with more than 250 population will be constructed.
 - **Skill development scheme** - Mukhyamantri Kaushal Vikas Evam Rozgar Yojana will start for the youth. In this, graduate pass students will be made proficient.
 - **Lake scheme** - One Amrit Sarovar will be built in all the 70 assembly constituencies. These will be developed as tourist places and centres for water sports.
 - **Self Employment Center** - The District Service Planning and Skill Development Office in all the districts will be developed as the nodal office of the Self Employment Centre.
 - **Mobile School** - Mobile schools will be started to make the children of labourers literate, in which teachers will go on the spot and teach the children.
 - **The road will be widened till Gairsain** -The road will be widened from Diwalikhal to summer capital Gairsain, due to which the Karnprayag-Gairsain road will be smooth.
 - **Importance of folk festivals** - An integrated policy will be made to give wider recognition to folk festivals of Uttarakhand like Uttarayani, Fuldei, Harela, Egas, Budhi Diwali.
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State Got 403 Crores for Jal Jeevan Mission | Uttarakhand | 24 Mar 2023

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On 22 March 2023, Udayraj Singh, MD of Uttarakhand Drinking Water Corporation, said that the Union Ministry of Jal Shakti has released the third instalment of Rs 403 crore to the state for the 'Jal Jeevan Mission' scheme of tap water from every house in the rural areas of the state.

Key Points

- It is noteworthy that under the Jal Jeevan Mission, there is a plan to supply tap water to 14 lakh 94 thousand 375 houses in the state.
- Under this mission, tap water has been supplied to 9 lakh 95 thousand 477 houses in the state so far.
- Under the Jal Jeevan Mission, more than 17 thousand small and big projects have been made, for which the Ministry of Jal Shakti has already released about Rs 800 crore in two instalments so far.
- MD of Drinking Water Corporation Udayraj Singh said that from the third instalment, work will be done in this financial year as well as in the next financial year. This will speed up the work of the mission.
- Under the Jal Jeevan Mission, water has been provided to about 72 percent of the households in the state through taps, but the pace is comparatively less.