



## Chief Minister Krishak Mitra Yojana' | Madhya Pradesh | 21 Sep 2023

### Why In News?

On September 20, 2023, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan launched the work of getting the beneficiaries to fill the forms under 'Mukhyamantri Krishak Mitra Yojana' to provide permanent agriculture pump connections to the farmers.

### Key Points:

- In the state level programme held at Kushabhau Thakre Auditorium, Chief Minister Shri Chouhan launched the process of enrollment in the scheme by getting filled the applications of Smt. Namita Ranway of village Jinwaniya of Harda district and Shri Premnarayan Panwar of Bhairuda Sehore. The Chief Minister said that the implementation of the scheme is being started immediately.
- Chief Minister Chouhan said that under the scheme, permanent pump connections of 3 HP or more capacity will be provided at a distance of 200 meters (about 656.17 ft) through 11 KV. Works include extension of line, installation of distribution transformer and extension of low-pressure line cable.
- CM Shri Chouhan said that the scheme includes extension of 11KV line of distance up to 200 meters (about 656.17 ft) for permanent pump connection of 3 HP or more capacity, installation of distribution transformer and low-pressure line cable extension work.
- The expansion work including all the material under the scheme and its maintenance will be undertaken by the power distribution company. 50 percent of the cost of this work will be borne by the government and 50 percent by the farmer or farmer group.
- The Chief Minister said that the hard work, sacrifice and diligence of the farmers has made Madhya Pradesh the number one in the country in the agriculture sector. Our Sharbati wheat and Chinnor rice are getting international recognition. Food grain production in the state in 2002-03 was 159 lakh metric tonnes, which has now increased to 619 lakh metric tonnes.
- The government has planned for loans at 0% interest as well as adequate electricity and irrigation for farmers. It is our resolve to provide water for irrigation to every farmer. Ken-Betwa Link Project has been approved; this will further increase the area under irrigation in the state.
- The Chief Minister said that there was a time when total production of electricity in the state was only 2900 MW. Today more than 29-thousand-megawatt electricity is being produced in the state. Irrigation capacity has increased from 7 lakh hectares to 47 lakh hectares, our target is to irrigate an area of more than 65 lakh hectares.
- **Provisions of the scheme**
  - The power distribution company will do the work of infrastructure development and arrangement of material.
  - Farmers will have to give 50% of the cost of infrastructure development, 50 percent of the cost will be borne by the state government/power distribution company.
  - Maintenance of necessary line, transformer etc for the pump connection will also be done by the power distribution company.
  - If group of farmers apply then members of the group will have to bear the cost proportionately
  - Farmers will have to deposit only 50 percent of the amount
  - Due to the better quality of transformers and other materials, the power distribution company will now do uninterrupted power supply and all maintenance-related work.
  - The scheme will be effective for 2 years from its implementation, 10,000 farmers will

benefit in the first year.



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