

Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana

For Prelims: Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana, Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA), Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana-Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (PMKSY-AIBP), Centrally Sponsored Scheme, Precision Irrigation System.

For Mains: Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana, Different types of irrigation and irrigation systems storage.

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Why in News?

Recently, the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) has approved the inclusion of the Jamrani Dam Multipurpose Project in Uttarakhand under the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana-Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (PMKSY-AIBP).

The Project involves the construction of a Dam near Jamrani village, across the River Gola, a tributary of the River Ram Ganga. The dam will serve as a source of water for the existing Gola Barrage and is expected to generate 14 MW of hydropower.

What is Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY)?

- About:
 - PMKSY was launched in 2015 with the goal of enhancing access to water for farming, expanding the cultivable area under assured irrigation, improving water use efficiency, and promoting sustainable water conservation practices.
 - It is a <u>Centrally Sponsored Scheme</u> (**Core Scheme**), where Centre- States share will be 75:25.
 - In the case of the north-eastern region and hilly states, the share will be 90:10.
 - In 2020, the Ministry of Jal Shakti launched a mobile application for Geo-Tagging of the components of projects under PMKSY.



Objectives:

- Achieve convergence of investments in irrigation at the field level (preparation of district level and, if required, sub district level water use plans).
- Enhance the physical access of water on the farm and expand cultivable area under assured irrigation (Har Khet ko pani).
- Integration of water source, distribution and its efficient use, to make best use of water through appropriate technologies and practices.
- Improve **on farm water use efficiency** to reduce wastage and increase availability both in duration and extent.
- Enhance the adoption of precision irrigation and other water saving technologies (More crop per drop).
- Enhance recharge of aquifers and introduce sustainable water conservation practices.
- Ensure the integrated development of rainfed areas using the watershed approach towards soil and water conservation, regeneration of groundwater, arresting runoff, providing livelihood options and other NRM activities.
- Promote extension activities relating to water harvesting, water management and crop

- alignment for farmers and grass root level field functionaries.
- Explore the feasibility of reusing treated municipal wastewater for peri urban agriculture.

Components:

- Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP): It was launched in 1996 with the aim of accelerating the implementation of irrigation projects that exceed the resource capabilities of states.
 - To date, 53 projects have been completed under PMKSY-AIBP, generating an additional irrigation potential of 25.14 lakh hectares.
- Har Khet ko Pani (HKKP): It aims to create new water sources through Minor Irrigation. Repair, restoration and renovation of water bodies, strengthening carrying capacity of traditional water sources, constructing rain water harvesting structures.
 - It has sub components: Command Area Development (CAD), Surface Minor Irrigation (SMI), Repair, Renovation and Restoration (RRR) of Water Bodies, Ground Water Development.
- Watershed Development: It is the effective management of runoff water and improved soil & moisture conservation activities such as ridge area treatment, drainage line 5 treatment, rain water harvesting, in - situ moisture conservation and other allied activities o n watershed basis.
- Formulation: It was formulated by amalgamating following schemes:
 - Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP) Ministry of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation (now Ministry of Jal Shakti).
 - Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP) Department of Land Resources, Ministry of Rural Development.
 - On-Farm Water Management (OFWM) Department of Agriculture and Cooperation (DAC).

Implementation:

• Decentralized implementation through State Irrigation Plan and District Irrigation Plan.

What are the Other Initiatives Related to Agriculture?

- Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North Eastern Region (MOVCDNER)
- National Mission on Sustainable Agriculture
- Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY)
- Sub-mission on AgroForestry (SMAF)
- Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana
- AgriStack
- Digital Agriculture Mission
- Unified Farmer Service Platform (UFSP)
- National e-Governance Plan in Agriculture (NeGP-A)

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