



“AYUSH Samvad” -“Uttarakhand AYUSH: Resources and Possibilities”

Why in news

On December 16, 2021, Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami and Union Minister of Shipping and Waterways, AYUSH, Sarbananda Sonowal, organized '**AYUSH Samvad**' by the Department of AYUSH and AYUSH Education at Alaknanda Ghat, Haridwar.

Key Points

- On this occasion, Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami, while mentioning Kedarnath Dham and Badrinath Dham, said that schemes worth Rs 400 crore have been inaugurated and foundation stone has been laid in Kedarnath and in April the third phase of works will start in Kedarnath. Apart from this, projects worth Rs 250 crore have been approved for Badrinath Dham.
- Along with this, the Chief Minister demanded the Union Minister of Shipping and Waterways, AYUSH, Government of India to open an All India Ayurvedic Institute in Uttarakhand.
- Sarbananda Sonowal made several announcements while addressing the program-
 - Under the National AYUSH Mission, a 10-bed Ayush hospital will be set up in Uttarakhand.
 - One **mobile AYUSH unit (AYUSH Rath)** will be operated **in each district of the state.**
 - Under the National AYUSH Mission, a Government Homeopathic Medical College and a 50-bed Unani Hospital will be established in the state.
 - Financial assistance will be provided for setting up 100 AYUSH wellness centers in the state.
 - With the help of the National Medical Plants Board, herbal gardens will be established in 200 schools of the state and thirteen nurseries in thirteen districts.
 - An assistance of Rs 15 lakh will be given to each forest panchayat for the establishment of medical plants etc.
- Apart from this, arrangements for marma therapy would be made in **Uttarakhand Ayurved University** and it would become a major center of the country. Uttarakhand is being given assistance by the Government of India for the development of the AYUSH sector.