



Honourable Disposal of Dead Body Bill-2024

Why in News?

Recently, the Haryana cabinet approved a draft bill which seeks **to prohibit any protest with the body of a dead person.**

Key Points

- According to an official statement, this landmark **bill aims to ensure decent and timely last rites of the dead.**
- In consideration of the respect and dignity owed to a dead person, nobody should be allowed to raise any **demand or bait for pursuing any demands by way of any protest or agitation by not performing the timely last rites of a dead body.**
- It is essential to **prevent any individual from using a body as a means of protest or demonstration** in any form.
 - The proposed legislation also emphasizes the **responsibility of public authorities** in cases **where family members disown a body**, leading to denial of proper last rites.
- It is pertinent to note that the entitlement to dignity and fair treatment, in accordance with [Article 21 of the Constitution of India](#), extends beyond the living to include the body after death.
- The state cabinet also approved another draft bill, **'The Haryana Registration and Regulation of Travel Agents Bill, 2024'** to **check unscrupulous travel agents**, who cheat innocent people wanting to move abroad.
 - The draft bill mandates that **no person can undertake the profession of a travel agent without obtaining a registration certificate under the Act.**
 - The competent authority **can cancel a registration certificate on the grounds of criminal activities and violation of terms.**
 - A cancelled registration will debar the travel agent from the profession for a prescribed period.
 - Individuals involved in [human trafficking](#) or [forging documents](#) may face **imprisonment up to 10 years and a fine ranging from Rs 2 to 5 lakh.**
- The Haryana government is committed to **protecting its citizens from falling victim to illegal immigration scams.**
 - The proposed legislation reflects a **proactive approach to regulate travel agents**, ensuring transparency, legality, and accountability in [immigration-related](#) services.