On death Due to Snake Bite, Family Members Will Get Rs 4 lakh

Why in News?

On March 31, 2022, Bihar's Deputy Chief Minister-cum-Disaster Management Minister Renu Devi announced in the assembly that if any person ever dies due to snakebite in the state, the state government will grant ex-gratia of Rs. 4 lakh to the next of kin of the deceased.

Key Points

- It should be noted that till now there was a provision of ex-gratia grant on snakebite only in the flood period in Bihar.
- In case of death of a person due to snakebite during floods, the Disaster Management Department, considering it as a natural calamity, is paid ex-gratia grant to the kin of the deceased as per the prescribed rate of subsidies from the State Disaster Response Fund.
- The Deputy Chief Minister said that in the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Disaster Management Department on March 7, 2022, in addition to the death due to snakebite during the floods, the death due to snakebite was included in the disaster of the local nature of the state, to the immediate family of the deceased. It was decided to pay the ex-gratia grant. This decision has come into effect from March 24, 2022 (date of notification).

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