New Rates Announced for MGNREGA Workers

Why in News?

On March 28, 2023, the Additional Commissioner of the MGNREGA office of Uttar Pradesh informed that the Government of India has announced new rates for MGNREGA laborers, under which MGNREGA laborers of Uttar Pradesh will also be given a wage of Rs 230 instead of Rs 213.

Key points

- Under the new rates announced for MGNREGA workers, more than three crore MGNREGA workers of the state will get Rs 17 more per day from April 1.
- Now if an MGNREGA worker works for 30 consecutive days in a month, then the total wages received by him will increase by Rs 510.
- It is noteworthy that there are about 3.20 crore job card holders MGNREGA laborers in the state. Of these, about 1.62 crore laborers are actively working under MNREGA.
- During the corona year 2020-21, the demand for employment in the villages had increased a lot when migrant laborers returned from outside, due to which 39.45 lakh man days had to be created for work this year. After this, 32.56 crore laborers worked in the year 2021-22 and about 31 crore man days in the current financial year 2022-23.
- It is known that apart from the works set by the central government under MNREGA, five new works have been started in Uttar Pradesh by this scheme, including revival of rivers, construction of information boards by women groups, women of women groups being made mates in MNREGA. Payment of wages to MGNREGA workers and construction of hi-tech nurseries in the districts is being done by Banking Correspondent Sakhi.

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