

## **Increased Scope of Employment Guarantee Scheme in Cities**

## Why In News?

On February 23, 2023, days to provide employment to every hand in cities under the Indira Gandhi Urban Employment Guarantee Scheme Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot approved the proposal to increase employment from 100 days to 125.

## **Key points**

- It is noteworthy that under the budget announcement of the Chief Minister for the year 2022-23, Indira Gandhi Urban Employment Guarantee Scheme was implemented on the lines of MNREGA. Last year, a budget of Rs 800 crore was allocated to provide 100 days of employment per family under the scheme.
- Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot has agreed to amend the approved guidelines of the scheme. This amendment will be effective from April 1, 2023. Providing 25 days of additional employment to the urban unemployed is expected to cost about Rs.1100 crore.
- It is noteworthy that an announcement in this regard has been made by the Chief Minister in the budget 2023-24. In this scheme, 125 days of employment will be available per family.
- Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot had launched the 18th, from Khania Ki Bawdi in Jaipur, built in 9 the scheme on September 2022 century.
- In the scheme, the needy families can demand employment by making a job card through Jan Aadhar card. This scheme has been launched by the state government against unemployment by providing employment guarantee to the urban unemployed.
- The scheme allows various types of works including environmental protection, water conservation, heritage conservation, sanitation, service, convergence and prevention of property defacement.
- Important points of the plan-
  - More than 4.51 lakh job cards have been made so far.
  - More than 6.94 lakh members have joined the scheme so far.
  - Employment has been demanded by 3.09 lakh families so far.
  - Over 1.13 lakh online muster rolls released.
  - Rs. 259 per day wages of unskilled workers.
  - Rs. 271 per day wages of semi-skilled workers/mats.
  - Rs. 283 per day wages of skilled workers.
  - ages of 18 People between the and 60 can work.
  - Facility of free registration through Ian Aadhaar card through E-Mitra also.