

## Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana

## Why in News

 On August 31, 2021, the Council of Ministers of Madhya Pradesh declared the Scheduled Caste Welfare Department as the nodal department to conduct the 'Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana'.

## **Key Points**

- In the year 2020-21, 117 new villages have been selected by the Government of India under the Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana. The Scheduled Castes members of the selected villages will be directly benefited under the scheme.
- The cabinet has approved the continuation of the Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana in the years 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20.
- It is noteworthy that in the 'Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana', on the basis of the 2011 census by the Government of India, such villages with more than 50 percent Scheduled Caste population are selected, whose population is 500 or more.
- The amount is released by the Government of India for the inter-flooring of infrastructure works in the Gram Vikas Yojana. Through convergence of other development works, there is a provision to declare the village as a model village by the concerned department for overall development of the village.

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