

Kala Sanskriti Vikas Yojana

Why in News

Recently, the Ministry of Culture has issued guidelines for **holding cultural events/activities in virtual/online mode** under various scheme components of **Kala Sanskriti Vikas Yojana** (KSVY).

Key Points

- The <u>Covid-19 pandemic</u> and the resultant <u>lockdowns</u> have had a substantial <u>impact on the performing arts and cultural sector</u> with in-person exhibitions, events, and performances either cancelled or postponed. <u>Example: Behrupiyas</u>.
- The guidelines will enable artists to avail benefits under KSVY even if they are not able to stage programs in the physical format as before and will ensure continued financial assistance.
- Kala Sanskriti Vikas Yojana (KSVY) is an umbrella scheme under the Ministry of Culture for the promotion of art and culture in the country.
- It is a <u>central sector scheme</u>.
- The ministry implements **many schemes under KSVY**, where the grants are sanctioned/approved for holding programs/activities.
 - Scheme of Financial Assistance for Promotion of Art and Culture.
 - Scheme of Financial Assistance for Creation of Cultural Infrastructure.
 - Scheme for Safeguarding the Intangible Cultural Heritage, which aims to promote the 13 intangible cultural heritage of India, recognised by the <u>United Nations</u> <u>Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization</u> (UNESCO).

13 ICH traditions recognised by UNESCO			
1.	Tradition of Vedic chanting, 2008	8.	Buddhist chanting of Ladakh: recitation of sacred Buddhist texts in the trans-Himalayan Ladakh region, Jammu and Kashmir, India, 2012
2.	Ramlila, the traditional performance of the Ramayana, 2008	9.	Sankirtana, ritual singing, drumming and dancing of Manipur, 2013
3.	Kutiyattam, Sanskrit theatre, 2008	10.	Traditional brass and copper craft of utensil making among the Thatheras of Jandiala Guru, Punjab, India ,2014
4.	Ramman, religious festival and ritual theatre of the Garhwal Himalayas, India, 2009	11.	Yoga, 2016
5.	Mudiyettu, ritual theatre and dance drama of Kerala, 2010	12.	Nowruz, 2016
6.	Kalbelia folk songs and dances of Rajasthan, 2010	13.	Kumbh Mela, 2017
7.	Chhau dance, 2010		

Source: PIB

