



Government Disbursed Funds for Underprivileged Kids Education

Why in News?

Recently, the state government, under the **Right of Free and Compulsory Education Act or [Right to Education Act, 2009](#)**, has disbursed funds exceeding Rs 250 crore for the education expenses of more than 3.25 lakh underprivileged children attending private schools.

Key Points

- Each child from the **disadvantaged and weaker sections** enrolled in **private schools** under the RTE will receive a **monthly budget allocation of Rs 450**.
- This initiative aims to **support the educational needs of these children** and ensure their access to quality education.
- In adherence to RTE Act, aspirations of 35,666 students, the highest number hailing from **Lucknow district** have been realized as they pursue their studies in private schools.
- In addition to covering the fees, the government also provides **Rs 5,000 annually per child for educational materials** like books, notebooks, and uniforms.

Educational Initiatives by UP Government

- **Atal Awasiya Vidyalaya Yojana:** This initiative launched to provide free education to children of construction workers employed in the informal sector. Under this scheme, two children of registered workers between the ages of 6 and 16 receive free residential education in dedicated schools.
- **Mahadevi Verma Shramik Pustak Kraya Dhan Yojana (MVSPKDPY):** Launched in 2022, is a commendable initiative aimed at empowering daughters of construction workers.
- **SC/ST Pre Matric Scholarship:** This scholarship program recognises the importance of education in empowering students from marginalised communities and aims to bridge the financial gap that might otherwise hinder their academic progress.