

Madhu Kranti Portal & Honey Corners

Why in News

Recently, the Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare has launched **"Madhu Kranti Portal & Honey Corners.**

Key Points

Madhu Kranti Portal:

- It is an initiative of National Bee Board (NBB), Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers
 Welfare under National Beekeeping & Honey Mission (NBHM).
- This portal is being developed for online registration to achieve a traceability source of Honey and other beehive products on a digital platform.
- The platform will help in checking the quality and source of adulteration of honey.
- Significance:
 - The portal will help in increasing income of the farmers, boost exports and increase employment generation.
 - The portal will hold the database of all the stakeholders involved in honey production, marketing chains, hive production and sales.
 - It will increase the reach of honey to international markets.

Honey Corners:

- Honey Corners are special spaces for the marketing and sale of honey.
- It is operated by National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd (NAFED).

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- The <u>NAFED</u> is registered under the <u>Multi</u> State Cooperative Societies Act.
- It was set up in 1958 with the objective to promote cooperative marketing of Agricultural Produce to benefit the farmers.

National Bee Board

- Small Farmers' Agribusiness Consortium (SFAC) registered the NBB as a society under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 in 2000 and it was reconstituted (with the secretary as chairman) in June 2006.
- Objective:
 - Overall development of beekeeping by promoting scientific beekeeping in India to increase
 the productivity of crops through pollination and increase the honey production for
 increasing the income of the beekeepers/farmers.
 - PresentlyNBB is implementing <u>National Horticulture Mission (NHM)</u> and Horticulture Mission for North East and Himalayan State (HMNEM)

National Beekeeping & Honey Mission (NBHM)

- The mission was announced as part of the <u>AtmaNirbhar Bharat scheme</u>. It is a central sector scheme.
- NBHM aims for the overall promotion & development of scientific beekeeping in the country to achieve the goal of 'Sweet Revolution' which is being implemented through the National Bee Board (NBB).

Honey Mission

- The Honey Mission was launched in August 2017 in line with the 'Sweet Revolution'.
 - The 'Sweet Revolution' was launched in 2016 to promote beekeeping and associated activities.
- Under the Honey Mission, <u>Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC)</u> provides awareness, training and 'Bee Boxes' along with Bee Colonies to the farmers.

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