

UP to Integrate with Yuktdhara Portal

Why in News?

From **1st April 2026** Uttar Pradesh will integrate with the **Yuktdhara Portal**, a GIS-powered geospatial planning system, to monitor and plan works conducted under the **Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MNREGS)** in real time.

Key Points

- Yuktdhara Portal:
 - Geospatial Planning System: Facilitates Gram Panchayat-level planning of MNREGS activities across India.
 - GIS Integration: Uses open-source Geographical Information System (GIS) tools to enable holistic rural planning.
 - Comprehensive Records: Action plan, location, cost, and progress of every work will be recorded and mapped.
 - **Transparency & Accountability:** Designed to prevent anomalies in payment processes and minimize irregularities.
- Benefits to Villagers
 - Direct benefits in the form of timely employment and development works.
 - Open and accessible information on all village-level works.
 - Increased transparency ensures minimal scope for corruption or irregularities.
- Capacity Building Initiatives:
 - The state government has started batch-wise training sessions at the district, block, and Gram Panchayat levels.
 - Training ensures officials and local planners are equipped to use the portal effectively.

Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) Scheme

- **About:** The MGNREGA is a **Centrally Sponsored Scheme** for social security aimed at providing quaranteed rural employment in India.
 - It was enacted in 2005 under the Ministry of Rural Development as a nodal ministry.
- Coverage: The scheme extends across the entire country, excluding districts with 100% urban populations.
- Fund Sharing: The Central Government covers 100% of unskilled labor costs and 75% of material costs, while State Governments contribute 25% of material costs, ensuring cooperative federalism in implementation.

Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) **Empowerment of** Marginalized Employment Guarantee Communities Provides 100 Focuses on days of wage empowering employment per marginalized groups, household especially women Work Poverty Assurance Reduction Guarantees minimum wages, work within 15 Aims to reduce days (else unemployment poverty through allowance) job creation Local Governance Rural Economic Implementation Resilience **Implemented** Contributes to rural through local economic resilience governance and sustainable The Vision structures like Gram development Panchayats

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