

Haryana Sets Benchmark in Criminal Justice Reform

Why in News?

Haryana has emerged as a **leader in <u>criminal justice reform</u>** by delivering swift, victim-centric justice. The state has set a national benchmark by adopting advanced technology, upgrading **forensic infrastructure**, and providing intensive training under India's <u>new criminal laws</u>.

Key Points

- Capacity Building Under New Criminal Laws:
 - Haryana launched an extensive training programme, equipping over 54,000 police personnel in the detailed provisions of:
 - Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS)
 - Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS)
 - Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam (BSA)
 - iGOT Karmayogi Platform:
 - Over 37,800 police officers have been onboarded to the <u>iGOT Karmayogi</u> platform.
 - The platform supports self-paced legal education, making Haryana's digital skilling effort one of the largest among Indian states.
- Digital Policing Through eSummon and eSakshya:
 - Haryana has fully implemented platforms like:
 - eSummon: Over 91.37% of summons are now issued electronically.
 - eSakshya: Records 100% of searches and seizures digitally.
 - Around 67.5% of witness and complainant statements are now recorded via the eSakshya mobile app, ensuring transparent and standardized evidence collection.
- Gender-Sensitive Justice Mechanisms:
 - Haryana has established <u>Fast Track Special Courts</u> under the <u>POCSO Act 2012</u> in Gurugram, Faridabad, and Panchkula.
 - These courts ensure speedy trials in heinous crimes involving women and children.
- New Provisions for Witness Examination:
 - Under the new criminal laws, Haryana now allows witnesses to be examined at designated locations, expanding beyond traditional courtroom settings.
- Enhanced Forensic Infrastructure:
 - The state has deployed mobile forensic vans in every district (and two in larger ones).
 - Haryana has invested Rs 68.70 crore in procuring advanced cyber forensic tools, significantly strengthening investigation capabilities.

iGOT Karmayogi

- About:
 - Managed by Karmayogi Bharathas, iGOT Karmayogi offers over 2,400 courses in 16 languages, all courses align with the indigenous Karmayogi Competency Model based on Indic wisdom and Mission Karmayogi principles.
 - Karmayogi Bharat, a 100% government-owned not-for-profit Special Purpose Vehicle, was incorporated under the Companies Act, 2013.

Mission Karmayogi:

- It is aimed at creating a professional, well-trained, and future-ready civil service aligned with India's developmental priorities and national programs.
- The mission promotes a shift from rule-based to role-based training, and embraces a competency-driven approach that focuses on the right blend of **Attitude**, **Skills**, and **Knowledge (ASK)**.
- It follows the **70-20-10 model** (70% learning through experience, 20% via peers, and 10% from formal training). It also links learning with career goals and ensures objective performance evaluation.

