



## Paataalkot Valley

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**First Health Centre** was inaugurated in the remote tribal valley of **Paataalkot** in **Chhindwara** district (**MP**), marking a significant step towards **last-mile delivery of government services**.

- Central government initiatives like [Pradhan Mantri Janman Yojana](#), [Dharti Abba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan](#), and [Aadi Karmayogi Abhiyan](#) have improved **roads, housing, drinking water, electricity, and education**.

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- **About:** It is a **horseshoe-shaped valley** of **79 sq km** surrounded by **hills**.
  - Doodhi river (tributary of **River Narmada**) flows in the valley.
  - It is home to [Gond](#) and [Bharia tribes](#), classified as [Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups \(PVTGs\)](#).
- **Geology:** The valley features **ancient rocks** from the **Archaean era** (around **2500 million years old**). The **rock composition** includes:
  - Granite gneiss, green schists, and quartz.
  - Gondwana sediments like **conglomerate sandstone, shales, and carbonaceous shales**.
  - **Shilajit**, a **composite carbon substance**, is found in **patches** in the **upper zones**.
- **Culture & Tourism:** It hosts an annual **Satpuda Adventure Sports Festival** in **October**, promoting tourism and local engagement.

**Read More:** [PM Janjatiya Unnat Gram Abhiyan](#)

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