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## **Review Meeting of Beggary Free Campaign | Rajasthan | 12 Aug 2021**

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### **Why in News**

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On August 11, 2021, a review meeting was held in the auditorium of the Directorate of Social Justice and Empowerment at Ambedkar Bhawan, under the chairmanship of O.P. Bunkar, Director of Social Justice and Empowerment Department of Rajasthan, to **make Jaipur city free from begging.**

### **Key Points**

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- In the meeting, Additional Director-Social Security Suvalal Pahadia, while giving detailed information about the campaign, said that those below 18 years of age, women and men between 18 to 55 years of age and above 55 years of age-old and handicapped peoples, category-wise persons involved in begging have been identified.
- For this, 25 points have been marked in the city, where people involved in begging are found. The details of persons involved in begging at such marked places shall be recorded in a format by the volunteers. After counseling them, they will be given admission in destitute children's homes, women's houses, old age homes and disabled rehabilitation homes as per the requirement.
- He said that youth in the age group of 18 to 55 years have been taken as the target category in the campaign. Any youth who is involved in begging and wants to do some work or he wants to get some kind of skill training, getting him rehabilitated by training according to his interest is an important part of this campaign.

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## **Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Governance and Social Sciences | Rajasthan | 12 Aug 2021**

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### **Why in News**

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On August 11, 2021, the Chief Secretary of Rajasthan, Niranjana Arya, through video conferencing set up the **Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Governance and Social Sciences** at Kanak Bhawan, Central Park in Jaipur, from October 2.

## Key Points

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- This institute is being started on the lines of the **Tata Institute of Social Sciences** and **Maharashtra Institute of Technology School of Governance** at a cost of Rs.100 crore in compliance with the budget announcement of the Chief Minister.
- Efforts have been made to develop this institute as a center of excellence for teaching, research and innovation keeping in mind the changing social and economic scenario.
- This institute will prove to be important in preparing the youth to play a role in social work by imbibing the teachings of the Father of the Nation, Mahatma Gandhi.
- The aim of this institute is to access the philosophy of life and social values of Mahatma Gandhi to every section of society through education and research.