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Financial Assistance for Public Transport Operators | Uttarakhand | 11 Aug 2021

Why in News

Recently the state transport department of Uttarakhand has decided to **provide financial assistance of Rs 2,000 each** to the registered public transport operators, conductors and sweepers across the state.

Key Point

- The State transport secretary Ranjit Sinha informed that the State Government will spend Rs 12,388.20 lakh from the **Chief Minister relief fund** for providing financial support for the livelihood of public transport operators which was **affected due to Covid-curfew this year**.
- The operators of all the public transport, including maxi cabs, electric rickshaws, Vikrams, auto rickshaws and buses [except Uttarakhand Transport Corporation (UTC) buses] will receive this financial aid for the next six months.
- Sinha informed that the department will transfer this money to the bank accounts of the beneficiaries through regional transport officers and district magistrates.

Wi-Fi in Government Colleges | Uttarakhand | 11 Aug 2021

Why in News

Recently, the **Uttarakhand government** has decided to **equip all the government colleges** in the state with Wi-Fi facilities.

Key Points

- Higher Education Minister Dhan Singh Rawat has set up a high-powered committee in this regard, that would oversee the implementation of the process of setting up the facility in 105 Government colleges of the state.

- The committee would be headed by the director of the Information Technology Development Agency (ITDA) and would include the director, higher education or his nominee, joint secretary/ deputy secretary-level officer and two technical experts of ITDA.
- A committee headed by ITDA director Ashish Srivastava would complete the process of purchase for setting up the WiFi connectivity.
- The executing agency will hand over the said process to the Higher Education Department. The work order will be given to the executing agency by the Higher Education Department. The entire cost of all these works will be borne by the Higher Education Department.