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National Level Awards For Chhattisgarh | Chhattisgarh | 07 Aug 2021

Why in News

Chhattisgarh, which has emerged as a **model state in the field of minor forest** produce collection, has been honored with ten awards in various categories by the Government of India.

Key Points

- These awards were presented to Chhattisgarh by Union Tribal Affairs Minister Arjun Munda during a virtual program organized in New Delhi.
- These national awards have been given by the Tribal Cooperative Marketing **Development Federation of India (TRIFED)** by evaluating the performance of the states **under three categories**. These three categories are:
 - Minimum Support Price;
 - Van Dhan; And
 - Sales & Marketing.
- Chhattisgarh has bagged first prize for:
 - Inclusion of maximum number of forest produce (52) under the Minimum **Support Price scheme** for minor forest produce in 2020-21.
 - Procurement of minor forest produce at the highest price from state government's and Central government's funds (Rs.1173 crores).
 - Maximum utilization of the funds sanctioned in 2020-21 (Rs.127.09 Crores).
 - Manufacturing maximum products through value addition (121).
 - Maximum sale of products after value addition (Rs. 4.24 Crores).
 - Completion of maximum survey under Van Dhan Yojana.
 - **Maximum training** for forest development center clusters.
- For the manufacturing of sanitizer from Mahua and for producing new products from tamarind, it has also been awarded under the 'new product and innovation category'.