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## Council of Ministers' Meeting | Madhya Pradesh | 29 Sep 2021

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### Why in News

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On September 28, 2021, a meeting of the State Council of Ministers took place.

In the meeting, along with the decision regarding handing over of the managerial work of 7 nutritional food plants from **Madhya Pradesh Agro Industries Development Corporation Limited** to the **Federations of Women Self-help Groups** formed under **Madhya Pradesh State Livelihood Forum**, some other decisions were also taken. .

### Key Points

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- It is noteworthy that in March 2018, the decision of setting up 7 THR plants was taken by the Government of Madhya Pradesh.  
Its purpose was to do the work of providing THR for pregnant / lactating mothers, children of 6 months to 3 years and adolescent girls in the Anganwadis of the state by the Federation of Self-Help Groups.
- In view of the above decision, plants were set up at **Dewas, Dhar, Hoshangabad, Mandla, Sagar, Shivpuri and Rewa**. Ready to Eat **Take Home Ration (THR)** is being provided from all these plants in all the districts of the state (except the district of Bhopal division). The THR production and delivery work was entrusted to the Federation of Self-Help Groups formed by the State Livelihood Forum.
- The cabinet has decided to constitute a **state level committee under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary** for the determination of reserve price/offset price for the sale of paddy, determination of tender process and approval of the rates received in the auction.
- The cabinet decided to ratify the formation of '**Madhya Pradesh Backward Classes Welfare Commission**' constituted to study their social, economic and educational status with special reference to the backward classes in the state, to submit necessary suggestions and recommendations to the state government.

- The cabinet approved amendments to the **Madhya Pradesh Sand (Mining, Transport, Storage and Trade) Rules, 2019**. According to the decision-
  - Tenders will be floated by forming more than one cluster in a large district (high volume of sand).
  - The initial base price (offset price) will be determined by the product of Rs.250 and the quantity of sand tendered.
  - After the publication of the sand group's tender from the state level, all the process of tender (e-tender) will be decentralized from the district level and contract with the sand contractor will be done at the district level.
  - The contract period of the sand group will be fixed in June 2023.
- The cabinet decided to construct '**Khel Gram**' with all facilities of international level at **village Satgarhi, Bhopal** through a public-private partnership.

## **Bhopal Government College Name Changed | Madhya Pradesh | 29 Sep 2021**

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### **Why in News**

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On September 28, 2021, the Higher Education Department changed the name of Bhopal's Government Postgraduate College BHEL to 'Babulal Gaur Government Postgraduate College'.

### **Key Points**

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- Government PG College, BHEL (Bhopal) was established on August 28, 1984 by Arjun Singh, the then Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh and **managed by JanBhagidari Samiti (JBS) and Navratna company 'BHEL'**.
- The college is affiliated to Barkatullah University, Bhopal and is recognized by the University Grants Commission (UGC) under section 2(f) and 12(b) of the Act, 1956.
- It is accredited by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) with a grade of 'B++'.
- Babulal Gaur was **born on June 2, 1930** in Village-Naugir, District- Pratapgarh (Uttar Pradesh). He was **first elected as an independent MLA in 1974** in the by-election of Bhopal South Assembly Constituency as a Janata support candidate.
- He was the Minister of Local Government, Law and Legislative Affairs, Parliamentary Affairs, Public Relations, Urban Welfare, Urban Housing and Rehabilitation and '**Bhopal Gas Tragedy**' Relief Minister of Madhya Pradesh from 7 March 1990 to 15 December 1992.
- He was also the Leader of the Opposition in the Madhya Pradesh Legislative Assembly from 4 September 2002 to 7 December 2003.

- Babulal Gaur was the Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh from 23 August 2004 to 29 November 2005. He was the first leader of the state, who reached the assembly after winning the elections 10 times and was also a minister in the government. He passed away on August 21, 2019.