

State's First 'Drone Fair' | Madhya Pradesh | 13 Dec 2021

Why in News

On December 11, 2021, the first drone fair of the state was organized on the initiative of Union Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia at Madhav Institute of Technology and Science (MITS) in Gwalior city of Madhya Pradesh. Around 20 companies displayed their drones in this fair.

Key Points

- On this occasion, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan, while addressing the youth and farmers
 present at 'Drone Mela' in Gwalior, said that Madhya Pradesh will be made a leading state by using
 drone technology in the field of development and welfare. Drones are such a revolutionary
 technology, which can be used for public welfare and good governance.
- Drone technology can be used to spray fertilizers and pesticides in the fields. With this, farmers
 can avoid the ill-effects of harmful chemicals. This technology is less expensive. Drone technology
 saves up to 25 percent of manure.
- Along with this, he also announced the opening of Drone Excellence Center at MITS, Gwalior. For this an MoU has also been signed with a company. Other companies have also signed MoUs in the drone fair.

E-Vehicles Road Show | Madhya Pradesh | 13 Dec 2021

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On December 11, 2021, on the occasion of **National Energy Conservation Day** (December 14), Bhopal Municipal Corporation organized an Electric Vehicle Road-show in Bhopal with a view to create awareness about the utility of electric vehicles and to create awareness among the general public.

Key Points

- The main objective of this road show is to make every citizen aware about energy-conservation management and its use in the energy literacy campaign started by the Madhya Pradesh government. Apart from this, e-vehicle is to be encouraged to prevent environmental pollution and to control the expenditure on petrol and diesel.
- <u>E-mobility mission</u> has been launched by the Government of India with a view to encourage electric vehicles. Apart from this, the <u>Bureau of Energy Efficiency</u> (BEE) Government of India has started <u>'Go-Electric Campaign'</u> to promote electric vehicles.
- Bhopal Municipal Corporation's Chief Engineer Bhuvnesh Kumar Patel said that 18 percent of the total energy is spent in the transport sector, in which about 94 million tonnes of oil is consumed. Promoting 'Electric Vehicles' will save oil as well as save foreign exchange. The Government of India has also launched FAME (Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of Electric

Vehicles) to promote electric vehicles.

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