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## Two new Lokpals of MGNREGA Appointed | Chhattisgarh | 17 Dec 2021

### Why in news

On December 16, 2021, two new Lokpals were appointed in the state by the **Panchayat and Rural Development Department** of Chhattisgarh to hear complaints related to Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA).

### Key Points

- With these two Lokpals appointed by the Panchayat and Rural Development Department, **now there are 16 Lokpals in the state**, whose **jurisdiction includes 27 districts of the state**.
- **Vivek Shukla has been appointed as Lokpal for Rajnandgaon district and Chhatra Kumar Sahu for Dantewada, Bijapur and Sukma districts.**
- Along with this, a member has also been appointed in the **Lokpal Appellate Authority** at the state level. **Rajarshi Kumar Trivedi has been appointed as the third member of the three-member Lokpal Appellate Authority.**
- The Panchayat and Rural Development Department informed that the Lokpal and the members of the authority have been **appointed for two years**. Their tenure **can be extended for two years and one year respectively.**

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## Chhattisgarh Assembly Passed Supplementary Budget and 5 Bills | Chhattisgarh | 17 Dec 2021

### Why in News

On December 15, 2021, the Chhattisgarh Legislative Assembly passed the supplementary budget and five bills. Thereafter the session was adjourned sine die.

### Key Points

- Replying to the second supplementary budget for the financial year 2021-22, Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel said that the **supplementary budget has been kept up to Rs.2108.62 crore.**
- Giving data on the change in contribution in various schemes of the central government, he said that in 2014 the ratio of agriculture-horticulture allocation and integrated scheme of women and child departments was 85-15, which is now 60-40.
- Similarly **MGNREGA which was in the ratio of 90-10, is now in the ratio of 75-25, Indira Awas in the ratio of 75-25 to 60-40 and School Education in the ratio of 70-30 to 60-40.**
- On the **issue of ready-to-eat** (which BJP boycotted) he said that in 2009, 1627 women **self-help groups** were given work, out of which only 638 groups are working.

