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## 'Chhattisgarh Herbals' Stall Got First Place in International Herbal Fair | Chhattisgarh | 27 Dec 2021

### Why in News

- **The stall of 'Chhattisgarh Herbals' got the first position in the 8th International Herbal Fair held** at Lal Parade Ground, Bhopal, capital of Madhya Pradesh from 22 to 26 December 2021.

### Key Points

- In this fair, a stall of 'Chhattisgarh Herbals' was set up by the Chhattisgarh State Minor Forest Produce Association. More than 120 products of Chhattisgarh Herbals were displayed in the fair. These products are prepared from such minor forest produce grown on the natural forests of the state, which are organic-certified.
- In the International Herbal Fair, the state has achieved another special achievement with the stall of herbal products of Chhattisgarh getting the first position. The Forest Minister of Madhya Pradesh also visited the stall of Chhattisgarh Herbals and appreciated the work of Chhattisgarh State Minor Forest Produce Association and their products.
- In the buyer-seller conference held on 23rd December in the fair, contracts worth about one crore rupees were signed for the wholesale sale of raw minor forest produce of the state, in which forest produce like Harra Kacharia, Bahera Kacharia, Sabut Harra, Sabut Bahera and Kalmegh are included.
- After the primary processing of these forest produce collected from the forests, it is brought to [Van-Dhan Kendras](#), where they are processed and value added to produce high quality products. These products are sold through 'Sanjeevani Sales Center' and online platforms like Amazon, Flipkart.
- More than 7000 women self-help groups are working in this work of collection, processing and value addition of minor forest produce in Chhattisgarh, most of whom are from the Scheduled Tribes category.

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## Chhattisgarh in Good Governance Index 2021 | Chhattisgarh | 27 Dec 2021

### Why in News

- **Chhattisgarh ranks first in 'Social Welfare and Development' among Group B states in the Good Governance Index, 2021**, released by the Central Government on Good Governance Day on December 25, 2021.

### Key Points

- This **index, prepared by the Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG)**, Government of India, has been released to test the states on the test of good governance.
- **Gujarat tops this index, while Maharashtra and Goa are in second and third place respectively.** According to the index, 20 states have improved the overall GGI scores for the year 2021.
- In the GGI-2021, the ranking has been given by dividing the states and union territories into four categories - Group A, Group B, North Eastern and Hill States, Union Territories. 58 indicators from 10 sectors have been considered for preparing GGI-2021.
- In Chhattisgarh, in the last three years, better work has been done in all areas through schemes. These development works are also getting appreciation at the national level. This is the reason that Chhattisgarh is on top of the Group B states in the parameters of social welfare and development.

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