



Chief Minister Rural Solar Street Light Scheme | Bihar | 11 Feb 2022

Why in News?

- On February 10, 2022, in a meeting organized by Chief Minister Nitish Kumar through video conferencing, the progress of '**Mukhyamantri Rural Solar Street Light Scheme**' under '**Mukhyamantri 7 Nishchay Yojana-2**' was reviewed.

Key Points

- In the meeting, the officers were instructed to start the **implementation of Mukhyamantri Gramin Solar Street Light Scheme from April 15**.
- On a pilot basis, it **will be started in at least one panchayat in all the districts**.
- Under this scheme, solar lights will be installed on the village roads and other important places.
- Responsibility of conducting a survey in this regard was given to the head of each village. In this survey it was asked to select the villages and the places where solar lights would be installed.
- The following schemes are included under the Mukhyamantri Seven Nishchay Yojana-
 - Bihar Student Credit Card Scheme
 - Har Ghar Bijli Yojana
 - Ghar tak Pakki Gali-Naliyan
 - Awsar Badhe, Aage Padhein
 - Har Ghar Nal Ka Jal Scheme
 - Aarakshit Rozgar, Mahilaon ka Adhikar Scheme
 - Shauchalay Nirman Ghar ka Samman

Capacity building of officers and employees of various departments | Rajasthan | 11 Feb 2022

Why in News?

- On February 10, 2022, in the presence of **Rajasthan Water Supply and Ground Water Minister Dr. Mahesh Joshi**, MoU was signed in relation to training programs for capacity enhancement of officers and employees of various departments in the state **under Atal Bhujal Yojana** at the Government Secretariat.

Key Points

- This MoU was signed by State Project Management Unit (SPMU) of Atal Bhujal Yojana and Project Director Suraj Bhan Singh on behalf of Ground Water Department and Director General Rajendra Pareek on behalf of IMTI, Kota.
- Under this MoU, **56 training programs will be organized in Rajasthan** in 2021-22 and 336 in

2022-23 by IMTI, Kota at the state, district, block and gram panchayat level, on which about Rs 1.63 crore will be spent.

- These training **programs will be conducted by Irrigation Management and Training Institute-IMTI, Kota** in the current and next financial year.
- It is worth mentioning that the [Atal Bhujal Yojana](#) is being implemented in 38 Panchayat Samiti areas in 17 districts of the state on about 2 lakh hectares of land. This will benefit about 1.55 lakh farmers.
- In this scheme the **main objective has been set to encourage management and prevention of falling groundwater** level through promotion of rain water conservation and its equitable use, by the schemes of agriculture, horticulture, catchment and soil conservation, water resources, rural development and panchayati raj, public health engineering, forest, energy and groundwater departments.
- **Two components** have been directly included in the Atal Bhujal Yojana, **one is sustainable groundwater management through institutional strengthening and capacity building, and the other is sustainable groundwater management through community participation by promoting innovations along with coordination of various schemes of the center and the state.** Under the first component, these trainings will be organized for the successful implementation of the scheme.

Ramgarh Vishdhari Wildlife Sanctuary | Rajasthan | 11 Feb 2022

Why in News?

- Recently, **Rajasthan's Forest and Environment Minister Hemaram Choudhary** informed in the state assembly that the Central Government has given **in-principle approval to make [Ramgarh Vishdhari Wildlife Sanctuary](#) located in Bundi district a tiger reserve.**

Key Points

- The [National Tiger Conservation Authority \(NTCA\)](#) has given in-principle approval to make Ramgarh Poisonous Wildlife Sanctuary and adjoining areas as Tiger Reserves on **July 5, 2021, under the provision of Section 38 of the [Wildlife \(Protection\) Act, 1972.](#)**
 - In accordance with the approval granted by NTCA, the State Government constituted an expert committee as per section 38V(4) to determine the **critical tiger habitat (core) and buffer zone** of Ramgarh Vishdhari Tiger Reserve.
 - A report has been submitted by this committee to the State Government on January 24, 2022 for determination of core (CTH) and buffer area of Ramgarh Poisonous Tiger Reserve, District Bundi. After examining the report of the committee, action is being taken by the state government under the provisions of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
 - It is noteworthy that **Ramgarh Vishdhari Wildlife Sanctuary acts as a buffer for Ranthambore National Park**, which is one of the most famous wildlife sanctuaries in India. It covers an area of about 252 square kilometers.
 - The Government of Rajasthan **declared it a sanctuary on May 20, 1982 under Section 5 of the Rajasthan Wildlife and Bird Protection Act, 1951.**
 - Various types of wild animals like Indian wolf, leopard, striped hyena, sloth bear, golden jackal, chinkara, nilgai and fox can be seen in Ramgarh Vishdhari Wildlife Sanctuary.
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National Award for Innovation in Educational Administration | Madhya Pradesh | 11 Feb 2022

Why in News?

- On February 10, 2022, the National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration (NIPA), New Delhi under the Ministry of Education, Government of India has awarded six officers of the Education Department of Madhya Pradesh with the National Award for innovation in educational administration.

Key Points

- For this honor, Neepa have selected then DPC of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan Gopal Singh Baghel (Seoni), then DPC RS Tiwari (Harda), then DPC Kamal Kumar Nagar (Rajgarh), Shoaib Khan BRCC (Mandsaur), Ramanuj Sharma BEO/BRCC (Alirajpur) and Praveen Chandra Upadhyay BRCC (Mandla) from Madhya Pradesh.
 - All these officers participated in the virtual honor ceremony held in New Delhi. Union Minister of State for Education Subhash Sarkar presented digital citations.
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Baby Feeding Center in Gwalior | Madhya Pradesh | 11 Feb 2022

Why in News?

- On February 10, 2022, the Vice Chancellor of Jiwaji University Gwalior (Madhya Pradesh), Prof. Avinash Tiwari and Registrar Dr. Sushil Manderia launched the **first baby feeding center 'Dular' in the university**.

Key Points

- Jiwaji University has become the first university in the state to make this unique initiative.
 - Vice Chancellor Prof. Avinash Tiwari said that after understanding the sensations of mother and child coming during the examination, instructions have been given to make this feeding center in the examination hall itself.
 - This feeding center has been named '**Dular**'.
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Workshop on Institutional Development Plan (IDP) for Higher Education Institute | Madhya Pradesh | 11 Feb 2022

Why in News?

- On February 10, 2022, a one-day workshop on '**Institutional Development Plan for Higher Education Institution**' was organized in Bhopal under the joint aegis of **Madhya Pradesh Private University Regulatory Commission** and **Vidya Bharati Institute of Higher Education**.

Key Points

- There were three technical sessions in this workshop. In the first session the concept and need of Institutional Development Plan for higher education institutions was discussed, the second session was based on the institute campus design and space planning and in the third session the essentials of an ideal IDP were discussed.
 - On this occasion, Secretary, University Grants Commission, Rajnish Jain said that the **Institutional Development Plan (IDP)** is very important and necessary for academic quality and excellence. This is the vision document of IDP Education.
 - [The University Grants Commission](#) has prepared the Institutional Development Plan (IDP). **This allows educational institutions to improve their goals and infrastructure.** The IDP will also help in increasing the **Gross Enrollment Rate of Higher Education**.
 - The basic objective of the Institutional Development Scheme is to make students a successful citizen by improving the quality and infrastructure of educational institutions. In the [National Policy on Education](#), it will be mandatory for every educational institution to prepare an institutional development plan.
 - It is noteworthy that for the first time such a workshop has been organized in the country on Institutional Development Plan for higher education institutions.
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National Institute of Ayurveda, Panchkula | Haryana | 11 Feb 2022

Why in News?

- Recently, the **Minutes of the Meeting** related to the meeting of the Standing Committee of the [National Board for Wildlife](#), held on December 31, 2021, was published, in which several projects including border posts and Ayurveda Institute were approved in **protected areas** and **environmentally sensitive areas**.

Key Points

- The National Institute of Ayurveda will be constructed in an area of 8.04 hectares at a cost of Rs.5 crore in the Shri Mata Mansa Devi Shrine Board premises in Panchkula.
 - The National Institute of Ayurveda, being set up in Panchkula by the Ministry of AYUSH for the conservation of medicinal plants, will play an important role not only in the conservation of medicinal plants, but also in connecting the public with the protection of nature.
 - [Ayurveda](#) is an Indian system of medicine. **Sushruta, Charaka and Dhanvantari are considered to be its main teachers. It is AYUSH.**
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Important Decisions of the Council of Ministers for Tribal Welfare |

Jharkhand | 11 Feb 2022

Why in News?

- Important decisions related to tribal welfare were taken in the meeting of Jharkhand Council of Ministers held on February 10, 2022.

Key Points

- Under the [Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers \(Recognition of Forest Rights\) Act, 2006](#) in the State of Jharkhand, the nomination of Bharti Institute of Public - Indian School of Business (BIPP-ISB) and tripartite MoU was approved.
 - Under the ongoing ['Sona Sobran Dhoti-Sari Distribution Scheme'](#) for distribution of clothes among the beneficiary families, the dealer commission was approved at the rate of Rs. 1/- per garment to the public distribution system shopkeepers.
 - Apart from this, post-facto approval of **Jharkhand Tourism Policy, 2021 and Jharkhand Municipal Park Maintenance Policy, 2021** was given.
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Housing For All Mission | Chhattisgarh | 11 Feb 2022

Why in News?

- On February 10, 2022, during the meeting of the State Level Approval and Monitoring Committee of ['Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Housing for All Mission \(Urban\)'](#) chaired by **Chief Secretary of Chhattisgarh Amitabh Jain**, the construction of 12 thousand 60 houses in the state was approved. .

Key Points

- In the meeting, Chief Secretary Amitabh Jain directed the officers to determine the priority basis for allotment of houses under the scheme.
 - Under the Housing for All (Urban) Mission, 12060 houses will be constructed in the state at a cost of Rs 374 crore 93 lakh 12 thousand. The cost of each house will be Rs 3.05 lakh.
 - It is noteworthy that the **'Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana, Housing for All Mission'** has been **implemented by the Central Government** for urban areas **Since June 2015**.
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Notification of Reservation of 10 Percent Plot in industrial areas for OBCs | Chhattisgarh | 11 Feb 2022

Why in News?

- Recently, the Department of Commerce and Industry of Chhattisgarh issued a notification amending **Industrial Policy '2019-24'** to reserve **10 percent plots for Other Backward**

Classes in industrial areas and to provide them at 10 percent rate of land premium rate and 1 percent land rent'.

Key Points

- On the occasion of 73rd Republic Day, Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel announced to reserve 10 percent land for OBCs in industrial areas and 10 percent land premium rate and 1 percent land to promote entrepreneurship among OBC citizens.
- The **period of reservation will be for two years from the appointed date or the date of establishment of the industrial area**, whichever is later.
- The quantity of plot/land will be as per the eligibility rules and provisions mentioned in '**Chhattisgarh Industrial Land and Building Management Rules-2015**'. These amendments shall be deemed to have come into force from the date of issue of this notification.

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