



Educational Scholarship Campaign | Chhattisgarh | 26 Mar 2022

Why in News?

- On March 25, 2022, Chhattisgarh's Urban Administration and Labor Minister Dr. Shiv Kumar Dahria launched the educational scholarship campaign under the educational scholarship scheme of the Chhattisgarh Labor Welfare Board.

Key Points

- Minister Dahria distributed scholarships worth Rs 42,33,500 through cheque and RTGS to the children of 1,682 laborers of different districts of the state for the year 2021-22.
- The Minister said that under the Educational Scholarship Scheme, the officials of the Labor Department will ensure that every school and college going child of the registered workers reaches its benefits.
- The Labor Welfare Board said that children of laborers studying in classes I to VIII will get Rs 1,500 annually, while students of classes IX to XII will get Rs 3,000 per year.
- An additional Rs 5,000 per year will be given to students at the undergraduate level, while engineering, medical and other students at the undergraduate level will be given Rs 8,000 per year and post graduate students Rs 10,000.

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- Recently, three bears died of Infectious Canine Hepatitis (ICH) virus at Kanan Pendari Zoological Park in Bilaspur district of Chhattisgarh, threatening 632 other zoo animals with ICH.

Key Points

- Zoo management said that two male bears and one female bear Kavita have died in the last 26 days due to ICH infection. Kavita was in contact with two dead bears who had died earlier.
- Vishnu Nair, DFO of Kanan Pendari, said that it cannot be said from where the ICH infection spread among the bears. It spreads only in canine species. Virus infection has not been shown in other organisms.
- Ilairaja, a wildlife expert and Bear Rescue Center based in Agra, Uttar Pradesh, told that these can be symptoms of Infectious Canine Hepatitis. It is a viral disease. Once this infection occurs, there is no cure for it. Bears can be saved only by keeping them in isolation like corona.