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## **Integrated De-addiction and Rehabilitation Centre Launched | Chhattisgarh | 11 Jun 2022**

### **Why in News?**

- On June 10, 2022, Chhattisgarh's Minister for Women and Child Development and Social Welfare, Anila Bhedia launched the Integrated De-addiction and Rehabilitation Centre under Municipality Balod.

### **Key Points**

- In the de-addiction centre, counselling is provided to eliminate addiction, get rid of addiction and stay away from it. This will now help the affected people a lot in getting rid of drugs.
  - People coming to the de-addiction and rehabilitation centre will get a variety of facilities free of cost, including counselling to stay away from drug abuse, accommodation, free health check-ups, yoga, meditation, music, exercise, indoor and other types of facilities.
  - Apart from this, Anila Bhedia also inaugurated the District Disabled Rehabilitation Centre at the Social Welfare Department office premises at Village Jhalmala in Balod district.
  - Due to the availability of rehabilitation center facility for the disabled in Balod district, the needy here will not have to go out to any other district, they will get facilities in the district itself. This will greatly facilitate the differently abled people of the district.
  - Minister Bhedia benefitted the differently-abled by providing checks of incentive amount and accessories under various schemes.
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## **Coal Mine Project in Hasdeo Arand Forest Area Banned | Chhattisgarh | 11 Jun 2022**

### **Why in News?**

- Recently, the Chhattisgarh government has put on hold three upcoming coal mine projects allotted to Rajasthan Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Limited (RRVUNL) in Hasdeo Arand forest area of Surguja division.

### **Key Points**

- It is worth mentioning that the state government has taken this decision due to strong opposition from the local people and workers against these projects.
- Confirming the suspension of mining projects, Surguja District Magistrate Sanjeev Jha informed that three upcoming projects- Parsa, Parsa East and Kante Basan (PEKB) Phase II and Kante Extension Coal Mine, which are in various stages before the mine commences, has been put on hold till further orders.

- All the three mines have been allotted to RRVUNL and Adani Group is associated as MDO (Mine Developer and Operator). Work will continue in the mines where work is going on in the area.
- Locals claim that the coal mine will cause huge damage to biodiversity and environment. Mining in the ecologically sensitive Hasdeo Arand forest area will not only displace the tribals, but also increase the man-elephant conflict in the area.
- It is noteworthy that the state government had recently given final approval for the Parsa mine and PEKB's second phase coal mining projects on the request of the Rajasthan government.

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