



Abujhmad Will Get Litchi Orchard | Chhattisgarh | 13 Jun 2022

Why in News?

On June 11, 2022, official sources in the Horticulture Department of Chhattisgarh informed that the department is planning to plant litchi orchards in the direction of giving a new identity to the dense forest of Abujhmad in Narayanpur district.

Key Points

- In 1995, 100 saplings were planted in the government garden of Orchha. Those trees are now bearing good fruit. After the success of this experiment, the Horticulture Department is planning to further increase the cultivation area of litchi.
- After the survey, tribal farmers of the area have been given a deed of forest land rights. A tribal farmer is given 20-30 saplings. After this, the horticulture department will give them training.
- It may be recalled that the Chief Minister, during his recent visit to Bastar, had announced to develop the orchard in 200 acres of land in Orchha area.
- Litchi is a short-term crop. The trees bear fruit till around May 10 and its season ends by June 10, but a farmer can earn Rs 4-5 lakh if 200 trees are planted per hectare.
- It is worth mentioning that litchi plants require long winters and enough rain. The weather in Abujhmad region is favorable in this regard.

Dantewada District Got National Award for Skill Development | Chhattisgarh | 13 Jun 2022

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Recently, Dantewada district of Chhattisgarh was honored with the National Award in the field of skill development in a function organized at Dr. Ambedkar International Center in New Delhi.

Key Points

- It may be recalled that two districts 'Dantewada' and 'Mahasamund' from Chhattisgarh were selected for this award.
- Dantewada district was awarded the Award for Excellence for its outstanding performance towards innovation and self-employment in the field of skill development and entrepreneurship.
- Various programmes were undertaken for better implementation in Dantewada, a tribal dominated area. Innumerable self-employment and employment opportunities are being provided under The Puna Madakal Cell in the district.
- Nava Dantewada Garment Factory was started by the district administration on January 31, 2021 in Gram Panchayat Haram for women's self-reliance. Another unit of Denex has been set up in

Katekalyan, Barsur block of the district, in which more than 770 people have got self-employment.

- Apart from this, another unit of Denex is also being set up at Chhindnar. The target is to provide employment to 1200 families in the four denex.
- Mother on June 8, 2020, to provide materials made by self-help groups in the district and daily use equal nutrition campaign, to provide quality and cheap rate in school and ashram hostels and to connect the self-help group's sisters with employment. Danteshwari Mart was launched. There are total 14 marts operating in all the four development blocks of the district.