



Madhya Pradesh Tops Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana for Fourth Time in the Country

Why In News?

On September 3, 2022, Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan, while reviewing the schemes of the Women and Child Development Department, informed that Madhya Pradesh has been ranked first in the national position for the year 2021-22 in the implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana for the fourth consecutive year.

Key Points

- Under this scheme, Madhya Pradesh has topped the country by registering more than 30 lakh beneficiaries, distributing an amount of Rs 1294 crore and benefiting 2 lakh 26 thousand 306 beneficiaries till August in the current financial year.
- During the review of 'Adopt an Anganwadi' in the meeting, it was informed that public support of Rs 25 crore including toys, other materials has been received in the state for Anganwadi centers. Outdoor sports material swing and slippers etc. have been supplied for anganwadi centers. More than one and a half thousand centers have been upgraded as model anganwadi centers. Shoes and slippers and hygiene kits have also been provided for children.
- The Chief Minister said that under the Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana, the work of providing an amount of Rs 5,000 to the pregnant woman and lactating mother eligible for the first delivery and Rs 6,000 to the infant mother on the birth of a girl child in the second delivery has been done on priority. Similarly, Madhya Pradesh is also at the forefront of efforts to remove malnutrition of underweight children in the country.
- In Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0, 30 lakh children in the age group of 6 months to three years have taken advantage of supplementary nutritional food in the state. Similarly, 10 lakh 81 thousand pregnant and lactating mothers have also been benefitted.
- More than 38 lakh beneficiaries have taken advantage of take home ration in Madhya Pradesh. At present, Aadhaar verification of 71 lakh 20 thousand beneficiaries has also been completed on nutrition tracker. Take home ration production is being done from 13 plants in the state. Breakfast and hot cooked food are being supplied by more than 50 thousand common hearth groups in rural areas.
- More than 2,000 groups are also doing this work in urban areas. Nutrition corners have been established in more than 85 thousand Anganwadi centers of the state. Nutrition gardens have also been constructed.
- In the case of removing malnutrition of underweight children in Madhya Pradesh, the state is at number two in the national ranking, third in the solution of the problem of low weight due to leanness and sixth in the national ranking in terms of solving the health problems caused by the negligence.
- While the number of underweight children has declined by 3.7 percent in the country, the state has recorded the highest decline of 9.8 percent. Similarly, the problem of malnutrition due to leanness has been reduced by 1.7 percent in the country, while in Madhya Pradesh it has been successful in reducing 6.8 percent. Cases of stunting have also been reduced by 6.3 percent in Madhya Pradesh as against a reduction of 3 percent in the country.
- Giving information about the implementation of Ladli Laxmi Yojana in the review meeting, it was informed that so far 43 lakh girls have benefited from the scheme. In Ladli Laxmi Yojana 2.0, four

lakh 87 thousand 731 girls of class 6, 9, 11 and 12 have received scholarship amount.

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