

# Approval of 'Bhagwan Birsa Munda Self-Employment Scheme', 'Tantya Mama Economic Welfare Scheme' and 'Chief Minister Scheduled Tribe Special Project Funding Scheme' | Madhya Pradesh | 07 Sep 2022

#### Why in News?

■ In a meeting chaired by Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan on September 6, 2022, the cabinet approved three schemes to provide more opportunities for self-employment to the youth of the Scheduled Tribes. This includes 'Bhagwan Birsa Munda Self-Employment Scheme', 'Tantya Mama Economic Welfare Scheme' and 'Chief Minister Scheduled Tribe Special Project Financing Scheme'.

## **Key Points**

- Under the 'Bhagwan Birsa Munda Self-Employment Scheme', projects ranging from one lakh to 50 lakh rupees for manufacturing activities and one lakh to 25 lakh rupees for service and business activities will be approved.
- The annual income of the family taking the benefit of the scheme should not exceed Rs.12 lakhs.
- Under the scheme, interest subsidy at the rate of 5 percent per annum and bank loan guarantee fee will be borne by the corporation at the prevailing rate for a maximum period of 7 years (including the moratorium period) on the loan disbursed by the bank to the beneficiaries. Interested candidates will also be given training as per the requirement.
- Under the 'Tantya Mama Economic Welfare Scheme', members of the Scheduled Tribes, who are not income tax payers, whose age is between 18 and 55 years, will be provided for all kinds of self-employment activities for projects ranging from 10 thousand to one lakh rupees. For getting loans from banks, 7 percent interest subsidy and bank loan guarantee fee will be given to the beneficiary at the prevailing rate for a maximum period of 5 years.
- In the 'Chief Minister Scheduled Tribe Special Project Financing Scheme', such special project proposals to be received from various departments or district collectors, which are possible to be done in any existing plan project of line departments, mainly to benefit the beneficiaries of Scheduled Tribes category. The entire project cost amount up to a maximum of Rs 2 crore will be provided by the government in the form of grant for funding to the Scheduled Tribes category, if it is very useful and necessary.
- Such special project proposals received from agriculture, animal husbandry, fisheries, horticulture, panchayat and rural development, energy, technical education, skill development and employment, AYUSH and public health and family welfare departments etc. will be provided project cost amount on the recommendation of the State Project Implementation Committee constituted under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary.
- Projects related to self-employment, livelihood, skill upgradation, promotion and innovation will be funded on priority basis under the scheme. At least 50 per cent of the beneficiaries in the project will be from the Scheduled Tribe category.

# State's First Goat Rearing and Entrepreneurship Conference | Madhya Pradesh | 07 Sep 2022

#### Why in News?

 On September 6, 2022, Madhya Pradesh Animal Husbandry and Dairy Minister Prem Singh Patel inaugurated the state's first 'Animal Husbandry Conference for Promotion of Goat Rearing and Entrepreneurship Development' in Bhopal.

#### **Key Points**

- Addressing the conference, Minister Prem Singh Patel said that by adopting modern technology, do goat rearing with the help of Animal Husbandry Department and earn good income. He assured to remove the difficulties faced by the goat farmers in getting bank loans.
- Additional Chief Secretary Animal Husbandry and Dairy J.N. Kansotia said that in order to increase the high breed goat breed in the state, artificial insemination program will be started from the identified districts and soon it will be started in the entire state.
- J.N. Consotia informed that the poultry business is being registered since last year. Now goat rearing will also be registered.
- Dr. Umesh Chandra Sharma, President of Veterinary Council of India said that Madhya Pradesh ranks fifth in the country in goat rearing and India is second in the world. Artificial insemination is very important for the high breed of goat. A good breed goat is available for one to one and a half lakh rupees. This facility will be available to the foster from artificial insemination for just Rs 70 from the frozen straw.
- Director Dr. RK Mehia said that 38 percent increase in goat population as compared to the last animal census in the state is proof that people have increased inclination towards goat rearing.

# Craft and Art Exhibition 'Hastkala Bazaar' | Madhya Pradesh | 07 Sep 2022

### Why in News?

 On September 6, 2022, Madhya Pradesh Tourism, Culture and Religious Trusts and Endowments Minister Usha Thakur inaugurated the craft and art exhibition 'Hastkala Bazaar' at Kushabhau Thakre Convention Centre.

## **Key Points**

- This exhibition has been organized by the Tourism Board in the Responsible Tourism Mission. As many as 93 craftsmen from 41 art forms from six cultural zones of the state are displaying their products at the exhibition.
- As many as 28 craft product stalls from about 16 districts have been set up at the 'Hastkala Bazaar' exhibition. Also, a live exhibition of 6 products has been organized.
- Terracotta and iron crafts of Chhatarpur, Bell metal of Betul, Bronze of Satna, Bundeli painting of Orchha, articles made from Industrial Waste Wood Made of Dewas, Handloom handicraft and Zari-Zardozi of Bhopal, Textile waste products of Rajgarh, Handicraft painting of Alirajpur, Maheshwar handloom, bamboo crafts, natural honey and marble stone items are on display along with Khandwa hand embroidery and paper products.

