

15 CHCs In Uttar Pradesh To Run On PPP Mode | Uttar Pradesh | 19 Oct 2022

Why in News?

 On October 18, 2022, Uttar Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Brajesh Pathak, who also holds the charge of the health department, informed that the state government will run 15 community health centres (CHCs) in districts, including Lucknow, on a public-private partnership (PPP) basis.

Key Point

- Deputy Chief Minister Brajesh Pathak said the CHC will have 24-hour emergency service, free admission, medicine and diagnostic services.
- The selected community health centres are Nagaram in Lucknow, Gajokhar in Varanasi, Khadanna in Kushinagar, Belaghat in Gorakhpur, Rajapur in Chitrakoot, Malhipur in Shravasti, Chandan Chowki in Lakhimpur Kheri, Vishwarganj in Bahraich, Bhogwara in Chandauli, Adanna Bazar in Maharajganj, Sukhpura in Ballia, These include Dapsaura in Fatehpur, Babhani in Sonbhadra, Khajuria in Balrampur and Sirsia in Siddharth Nagar.
- Deputy Chief Minister Brajesh Pathak said that this experiment will be a step towards ensuring better health facilities in the CHC and latest medical equipment will be installed there as per the requirement.

Uttar Pradesh Announces Textile and Apparel Policy | Uttar Pradesh | 19 Oct 2022

Why in News?

 Recently, the Uttar Pradesh government announced the Uttar Pradesh Textile and Apparel Policy with an aim to attract new investments and make Uttar Pradesh a hub of textile and apparel industry.

- The Uttar Pradesh Textile and Apparel Policy was approved in a meeting of the Uttar Pradesh Cabinet chaired by Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on October 13, 2022.
- Announcing the policy, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Minister Rakesh Sachan said the policy is employment oriented and aims to attract fresh investment of Rs 10,000 crore and create over 5 lakh new jobs.
- The main objective of the new policy is to establish the State as a global level apparel
 manufacturing hub and sustainable development of all types of units related to textile industry

- such as handloom, powerloom, spinning, weaving, processing and apparel.
- Minister Rakesh Sachan said the textile and apparel policy has been formulated after consulting all stakeholders and taking care of their concerns. To make the policy investor friendly, several processes have been made online and a help desk has been set up for the convenience of investors.

Geo-Tagging of Every State Building | Rajasthan | 19 Oct 2022

Why in News?

On October 18, 2022, Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot approved the proposal to geo-tagging the assets, schemes and works of various departments and undertakings of the state through geographical information system (GIS) and linking them to the map. For this, financial approval of Rs 153.80 crore has been given initially.

Key Point

- With this approval of the Chief Minister, now all the departments will be able to link geospatial data of their assets, facilities, schemes and programs to the GIS-based platform through the **state-wide GIS system**. This will facilitate decision making and inspection regarding resource collection and distribution, policy planning of various schemes and programmes.
- With the above decision, the land-marked survey of various departmental schemes and works will improve service delivery at the regional level. Better management of resources during disaster or pandemic will also be possible through this system. Also, all the state buildings of the state will be available on the same map and it will be easy for the common man to reach these buildings.
- It is noteworthy that a mobile app has been developed under geo-tagging. The app is being used extensively by various departments, such as Women and Child Development Department, PHED, Ground Water Department, Medical and Health Department etc.
- GIS is a system designed to collect, store, modify and analyze data regarding geographical conditions on the earth's surface. At the same time, data management and submission can also be done through this system.

124 New Veterinary Sub-Centres in State | Rajasthan | 19 Oct 2022

Why in News?

 On October 18, 2022, Animal Husbandry Minister Lalchand Kataria informed that 124 new veterinary sub-centres have been opened in various districts in compliance with the budget announcement of the Chief Minister.

Key Point

 Lalchand Kataria said that as per the budget announcement of the financial year 2022-23, the state government has issued an order and opened 124 new veterinary sub-centres in veterinary

- village panchayats. With the opening of new sub-centers, cattle rearers will get better medical services and quick benefits of departmental schemes near them.
- He said that 17 in Jaipur, 10 in Dausa, 8 in Dholpur, 7 in Pali, 6-6 in Churu, Jaisalmer, Barmer and Bharatpur, 5-5 in Alwar, Dungarpur, Jalore and Jodhpur, Ajmer, Bhilwara, Bikaner, Nagaur and Chittorgarh; Four new veterinary sub-centres have been opened in Banswara and Tok, two each in Jhunjhunu, Sikar, Karauli and Kota and one each in Bundi, Hanumangarh, Sriganganagar and Pratapgarh.

Sewerage Treatment Plants To Be Set Up In Hospitals | Rajasthan | 19 Oct 2022

Why in News?

 On October 18, 2022, Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot approved a budget of Rs 20 crore for the sewerage treatment plant to be built for the disposal of liquid and solid waste of hospitals.

Key Point

- With this approval of Chief Minister Gehlot, sewerage treatment plants will be established in major hospitals of the state, RUHS, SMS Hospital, Janana Hospital, Women's Hospital Jaipur, Mahatma Gandhi Hospital Jodhpur, PBM Hospital Bikaner and Medical College Kota and liquid and solid waste of hospitals can be disposed of.
- These environmentally necessary sewerage treatment plants will be constructed by RUIDP. 50 percent of the cost for the construction of the plant will be borne by the Medical Education
 Department and 50 percent by the Rajasthan State Pollution Control Board.
- It is noteworthy that Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot had announced in the budget to set up sewerage treatment plants in major hospitals of the state to dispose of liquid and solid waste while taking an important initiative towards preventing environmental pollution in the state.

Amendment To Industrial Land, Building Allotment And Management Rules 2021 | Madhya Pradesh | 19 Oct 2022

Why in News?

• In a meeting of the Council of Ministers chaired by Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan on October 17, 2022, the Cabinet decided to amend the Madhya Pradesh Industrial Land, Building Allotment and Management Rules 2021 to make the procedure contained in the Rules 2021 simplified, development oriented and more effective.

Key Point

The undeveloped land of the hegemony of the department can be allotted to the medium

- enterprise. All industrial plots to be developed will be allotted only through electronic portal through the process of 'first come-first serve'.
- In view of proper utilization of the plot allotted to closed industrial units, which have been in production for at least 5 years and have been closed for at least 2 years, conditional permission will be granted for division and transfer of the plot for setting up of new industries as per eligibility.
- With a view to promote furniture clusters, saw mill has been removed from the list of activities prohibited for allotment in industrial areas.
- With the establishment of industrial units, more employment opportunities will be available to the local people as per the intention of the state government and there will be ease in setting up and operating enterprises in the MSME sector.

Important decisions of Madhya Pradesh Council of Ministers | Madhya Pradesh | 19 Oct 2022

Why in News?

• In the cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan on October 17, 2022, the cabinet took revised administrative approval of Rs 346 crore 12 lakh for seep amber irrigation complex project of Sehore district and several other important decisions.

- The Seep Amber Irrigation Complex project will provide irrigation facility in 15 thousand 284 hectares of irrigated area of 47 villages of Sehore district.
- The Cabinet gave administrative approval for the construction of 108 feet high multi-metal statue and pedestal of Acharya Shankar at Omkareshwar at a revised rate at a revised cost of Rs 198 crore 25 lakh.
- Such fair price shops in the state, where there are no salesmen and the eligible self-help group has agreed to operate the shop, those groups have been allowed to transfer such shops with mutual consent. A committee will be formed under the chairmanship of collector in each district for transfer of shop. It is worth mentioning that there are a total of 26 thousand 63 fair price shops in the state, out of which 4166 are operating in urban and 21 thousand 897 in rural areas.
- The Cabinet gave its approval to conduct the Chief Minister's Youth Internship for Professional Development (CMYIPD) programme at Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Good Governance and Policy Analysis for two years. The Chief Minister's Youth Internship for Professional Development Program will include 4 thousand 695 interns who have completed graduation and postgraduate education. 15 interns will be appointed in each development block.
- The Cabinet decided to transfer all movable and immovable properties of Shri Tulsi Pragyachakshu Divyang Higher Secondary School, Chitrakoot, run by Shri Tulsi Peeth Seva Samiti Trust, to Mahatma Gandhi Chitrakoot Gramodaya Vishwavidyalaya for running the school.

Why in News?

• On October 18, 2022, **Haryana Water Resources Authority Chairman Keshni Anand Arora** informed in a review meeting held on sustainable water resources management and scheme implementation in the state that 'District Water Resources Plan 2022-25' has been prepared in the state.

Key Point

- Under this scheme, concrete and effective steps will be taken for water scarcity as well as waterlogged areas in the state every year.
- Keshni Anand Arora said that the Water Resources Scheme 2022-25 will work better towards sustainable water management and scheme implementation for 22 districts of the state. Under this action plan, a target has been set to reduce the water gap by 45 percent during the next three years in water-logged areas with water scarcity.
- He said that this scheme will solve the problem of water shortage and water logging by 10 percent in the first year, 15 percent in the second year and 20 percent in the third year.
- The Chairman said that due to the efforts made in yamunanagar and Ambala districts, both the districts have done pioneering work in the field of water logging and water management. He directed to prepare an integrated and comprehensive three-year village-level water action plan for all the districts.
- He said that there is a need to implement a comprehensive plan involving the use of permanent water of surface water and ground water for the lagging districts in the implementation of this scheme, whose use can be increased and more positive results can be brought.
- The Chairperson said that treated wastewater should be used for non-potable water purposes in the state so that dependence on freshwater resources can be reduced. For this, at least two new projects should be invited from each district and more monitoring should be done about the implementation of this scheme.
- Chief Engineer Satbir Singh Kadian said that this is an important one-point program of the Water Resources Authority and The Water Management Department. This biennial water management scheme will be implemented in all the districts by October 24 as per the instructions of the Chief Minister.

Bureau Of Civil Aviation Security Centre To Open In Haryana | Haryana | 19 Oct 2022

Why in News?

 On October 18, 2022, Haryana Deputy Chief Minister Dushyant Chautala informed after a two-day national meeting of civil aviation ministers in New Delhi that the 'Bureau of Civil Aviation Security' centre will be opened in Haryana.

- Dushyant Chautala said that the center of 'Bureau of Civil Aviation Security' will be opened at Guru Jambheshwar University or Polytechnic in Hisar district of the state. Further formalities for this will be completed soon.
- The Deputy Chief Minister said that hisar's aviation hub will be implemented in March 2023 and after that flights will be started from this airport to Amritsar, Jalandhar, Srinagar, Jammu, Jaipur, Indore, Ahmedabad, Agra, Varanasi, Dehradun and Gaya in Bihar. So that religious tourism can be

- promoted in the state and the movement of army personnel and officers from the border districts of the country can be facilitated.
- The Deputy CM said that helihab will be constructed in Gurugram, for which 25 acres of land has also been provided by the state government. With the construction of this heli hub, helicopter-traffic will be diverted at Delhi's international airport.

3rd Jharkhand Science Film Festival | Jharkhand | 19 Oct 2022

Why in News?

• On October 18, 2022, the second phase of the '3rd Jharkhand Science Film Festival' of Jharkhand state concluded at Sir JC Bose Girls High School in Giridih district of the state.

Key Point

- DNS Anand, general secretary of Jharkhand Science for Society, said that the film festival has been organized in Giridih on October 17 and 18, 2022, in which the film 'The Next Side of Beauty' based on illegal mining of mica in Koderma and Giridih districts was also screened.
- In this film, the agony of choosing Mica and Dhibra has been shown in a very touching way. In this, the students were motivated by showing the circumstances of living and education by choosing Dhibra. The 48-minute film is based on mica mining and cosmetics industry. The documentary film is directed by Deepak Bara.
- Apart from this, Jharkhand filmmaker Prakash's film 'The Fire Within' was also screened. It depicts the painful picture of jharkhand's coal mining sector, showing that the identity of the tribal community, which is facing the brunt of corruption, displacement due to mafia power, is also now in danger.
- It is known that on October 14, the third Jharkhand Science Film Festival was inaugurated in Bokaro, in which documentary, short film and animation based films were screened. It also screened Padma Shri Simone Uraon's film 'Jharia', based on environment and water conservation, directed by Biju Toppo. Apart from this, the film 'My Life as a Snail', 'Green', short film 'Decay', the film 'An Engineered Dream', 'Coral Woman', the short film 'Kameez', the film 'Damodar's Sorrow' and the film 'The Ganita Story' were also screened.
- It is to be noted that so far two science film festivals have been successfully organized in different parts of Jharkhand.

Chief Minister's Announcement In The Newly Formed District Sakti | Chhattisgarh | 19 Oct 2022

Why in News?

 On October 18, 2022, Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel made several announcements in Malkharoda, Dabhra and Chandrapur development blocks of the newly formed district Sakti during the meeting program.

Key Point

- Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel said that on the demand of late Mukutdhar Pandey Smriti Samiti, the college of Chandrapur should be named after Mukutdhar Pandey and agreed to the demand of the library and announced the opening of a vegetable market in Dabhra.
- Chief Minister's announcement in Development Block- Malkharoda
 - NRLM for training of women in Gram Panchayat Sighra. Announcement of Dome Construction Work.
 - Announcement of upgradation of Government Pre-Secondary School to New High School in Gram Panchayat Sarasdol and announcement of New High School in Village Mukta.
 - Announcement of upgradation of Government High School in village Jamgahan and Sulauni to Higher Secondary School.
 - Announcement to develop the city of Maa Ashtabhuji Devi as a tourist destination in Nagar Panchayat Adbhar.
 - Announcement of construction of ahata at Youth Training Centre at Malkharoda.
- Announcement of Chief Minister in Development Block Dabhra
 - Tourist spot will be developed in Saradih Barrage.
 - Development of tourist spot at Chandrapur Construction of Marine Drive.
 - Construction of police post in village Tundri and construction of new police station building in Chandrapur.
 - Government High School of village Siriagarh will be upgraded to Higher Secondary.
 - Nega 33/11 KV substation at Sakrali.
 - Announcement of opening of vegetable market in Dabhra.

In Backward And Most Backward Areas, Colleges Will Be Run On PPPs Models | Chhattisgarh | 19 Oct 2022

Why in News?

In a cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel on October 18, 2022, it was
decided that colleges will now be operated in PPP model in backward, most backward
and remote and inaccessible areas of the state.

- It is noteworthy that the colleges to be started on PPP model in Chhattisgarh are an innovation for the state. Proposed PPP In the model, this system will be given to private colleges from the beginning. No such scheme has been implemented in the past and no private colleges are operating under the arrangement given in this scheme.
- It is worth mentioning that under the Madhya Pradesh Non-Government Colleges and Institutions (Establishment and Regulation) Act, a total of 12 private colleges in the state are being operated under 100 percent regular grant.
- After the formation of Chhattisgarh state, 50 percent grant is being provided to four private colleges under the Chhattisgarh Non-Government Colleges and Institutions (Establishment and Regulation) Act, 2006 after the approval of the Cabinet. Apart from this, under this Act, once in three years, ad-hoc grant can be given for building expansion, purchase of furniture, equipment up to a maximum of five lakh rupees. The grant is sanctioned on the basis of the application.
- So far, on the basis of Chhattisgarh Non-Government Colleges and Institutions (Establishment and Regulation) Act, 2006, the above grant is provided only to those private colleges whose minimum 10 years of operation has been completed, but in the proposed PPP model, this system will be given to private colleges from the beginning. This will help the PPP to emerge from the adverse

situation in the most backward and remote areas and to increase the all-round development of higher education. This model has been proposed to implement the model. The Chhattisgarh government has a vision that students can get higher education even in difficult areas.

- In the cabinet meeting held on October 17 under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel, the proposed draft of setting up higher education institutions in the state under PPP model was approved to increase the gross admission ratio of the state in the field of higher education and to provide quality education facilities to the youth of backward and most backward areas of the state.
- In this, the maximum subsidy on fixed capital investment given to colleges to be opened under PPP model will be Rs 2.50 crore and Rs 1.75 crore subsidy will be given to colleges established in extremely backward areas and backward areas respectively.
- Similarly, at least 10 acres of land will be provided by the government at 50 percent concessional rate on a lease of 30 years. The land will not be used for other purposes. On the expiry of the lease period, the lease period can be extended with the consent of both parties.
- 50 percent of the interest amount will be paid by the government on the maximum loan of Rs 500 crore taken for infrastructure construction. Scholarships payable by the state government will be provided to the students studying in all the courses. The college will have to make salary arrangements for all the academic staff and employees on its own. For this purpose, the maximum amount of expenditure on total establishment by the state government will be given 20 percent and 30 percent expenditure burden on Rs 2 crore as establishment grant to the college established in backward region and most backward area respectively.
- At the same time, NAAC will provide an incentive of Rs 1 lakh 51 thousand and certificate to the colleges getting A++, A+ or A grade by the state government. The state government will bear 50 per cent of the fee payable to higher educational institutions to be opened under the PPP model or a maximum of Rs 3 lakh (whichever is less) for obtaining NAAC/NIRF quality certificate.
- The proposed scheme will help in increasing the gross admission ratio (GER) of the state in the field of higher education. Also, the youth of backward areas and most backward areas of the state will be provided with the facility of quality education. To fulfill the above objectives, this scheme has been submitted for implementation in the state.

Narayanpur Among Top 5 Aspirational Districts | Chhattisgarh | 19 Oct 2022

Why in News?

According to the information given by the Chhattisgarh Public Relations Department on October 18, 2022, in the report released by the NITI Aayog of the Government of India in August 2022 based on the performance of aspirational districts across the country, Narayanpur, a Naxal-affected area of Chhattisgarh, has made its place in the top five districts, performing better in the field of education, health and nutrition.

- Chhattisgarh's aspirational district Narayanpur is ranked fifth in the overall performance category among the 112 aspirational districts of the country in the Champion of Change Delta ranking released by NITI Aayog. Narayanpur district is second in the health and nutrition category. Similarly, Narayanpur district is ranked fourth in the monthly delta ranking released on the basis of education category.
- It is noteworthy that swami Atmanand English medium excellent schools have been started in Chhattisgarh keeping in mind the concept that the children of deprived sections can also get better education and they can be ready for future opportunities. After the start of Swami Atmanand

- English Medium School, children from economically weaker sections are also now studying in English medium.
- Swami Atmanand Hindi Medium Schools have also been started to increase the quality of education in English medium as well as Hindi medium. Apart from this, primary school children operating in aspirational districts are also being taught in their local dialect, so that they are easily able to understand the subjects by connecting with their culture and civilization.
- The Chief Minister has launched a state-wide 'Mukhyamantri Suposhan Abhiyan' to free children from malnutrition and women from anemia. It has yielded positive results. About 50 percent of the malnourished children of the state have become malnutrition free. About 2 lakh 11 thousand children have come out of the cycle of malnutrition. With this, 85 thousand women have become anemia free.
- To provide accessible facilities to the citizens, 'Mukhyamantri Haat Bazar Clinic', 'Dai-Didi Clinic', 'Mukhyamantri Slum Swasthya Yojana', 'Hamar Lab', 'Malaria-Free Bastar' and 'Malaria-Free Chhattisgarh Yojana' along with 'Dr. Khubchand Baghel Health Scheme', 'Chief Minister Special Health Scheme' 'Being operated.

Jamrani Dam Construction Project Included In Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana | Uttarakhand | 19 Oct 2022

Why in News?

 On October 18, 2022, Uttarakhand Irrigation Secretary Harichandra Semwal informed that in a meeting chaired by the Union Secretary of Water Resources and officials of NITI Aayog and Central Water Commission, approval was given for inclusion of Jamrani dam project in Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana.

Key Point

- Irrigation Secretary Harichandra Semwal said that the Jamrani dam (150.6 meters height) on the Gola river, 10 km upstream of Kathgodam in Nainital district of Uttarakhand, will be constructed and included in the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana.
- The Jamrani dam project is targeted to be completed by 2027. Under this, along with additional irrigation of 57065 hectares, there is a provision to provide 42 MCM drinking water to Haldwani city by the year 2055. The project will generate 63 million units of electricity every year.
- The Secretary said that after the approval of investment, construction works including early rehabilitation on Jamrani Dam project will be started.
- It is to be noted that on June 10, 2022, in-principle approval of Rs 2584.10 crore was given by the Ministry of Jal Shakti under the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana for the Jamrani Dam project.
- The irrigation secretary said that in the meeting of the screening committee, it was decided that a proposal will be sent to the Finance Ministry and the Central Government on behalf of the Ministry of Jal Shakti for allocation of funds for the project. In this, the state will have to contribute 10 percent and the central government will have to contribute 90 percent.
- The Irrigation Secretary said that the rehabilitation policy for rehabilitation of project affected people will be kept for cabinet approval soon and the affected villagers will be properly rehabilitated as per the provision of Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013.

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