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## **National Taxation Award-2022 | Rajasthan | 10 Nov 2022**

### **Why In News?**

- Announcing the National Taxation Award-2022 by Tax India Online on November 9, 2022, 'Gold Award' to the Government of Rajasthan in the Most Reformist State and SGST/VAT Category categories in tax management. to be provided.

### **Key Points**

- The award, presented by Haryana Deputy Chief Minister Dushyant Chautala and Rajya Sabha MP Sushil Modi, was received by the Joint Secretary, Finance (Taxes), Finance Department on behalf of the Rajasthan government.
  - The state of Odisha was awarded silver in this category and Haryana, Tamil Nadu and Bihar were awarded jury awards.
  - The Government of Rajasthan was also awarded the Gold Award for standing first in the State VAT category. The state of Odisha was given silver in this category and the jury award was given to Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra and Chhattisgarh.
  - IFMS by State Govt. Practical changes have been made to the platform by innovating, standardizing processes and reducing human intervention to make it more public utility, which has helped in payment and revenue collection.
  - Similarly, effective collection of taxes under the GST Act was done by the State Tax Department, which has collected 26 percent more revenue as compared to the previous year.
  - The State Government has given relief to the dealers by declaring the Amnesty Scheme-2021 and 2022 for clearing the pending dues for years by eliminating more than 8.00 lakh entries. In the same sequence, in the budget of the year 2022-23, relief has been provided to the dealers by setting up a convenience facility and increasing the limit of e-way bill up to one lakh rupees under the GST law.
  - It is well known that this award by Tax India Online Knowledge Foundation has been given by Tax India Online Knowledge Foundation for excellent work in the field of tax management reforms and tax management in states and tax law compliant taxpayers, technology service providers, taxpayer friendly commissioners and taxpayers policy-makers, etc., are given in nine categories.
  - Retired judges of the Supreme Court, retired high officials of the Government of India and retired members of the Central Board of Excise and Customs are included in the jury of the awards.
  - Tax India Online was established in the year 2000. As online media, it is established as a leading start-up company. These awards were instituted by Tax India Online in the year 2020.
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## **Important Decisions of the State Council of Ministers under the Chairmanship of the Chief Minister | Rajasthan | 10 Nov 2022**

### **Why In News?**

- In the meeting of the state cabinet chaired by Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot on November 9, 2022, several other important decisions were taken along with the approval of the New Rajasthan Start-Up Policy-2022.

## Key Points

- The Cabinet took an important decision to take forward the Eastern Rajasthan Canal Project (ERCP).
  - As per the approved proposal, unclaimed land owned by Water Resources Department/CAD/IGND/SWRPD and land related properties are to be transferred free of cost to ERCP Corporation. Also, for the financial management of the corporation, 100 percent of the income received by managing / endorsing / lease / other use of the land transferred by the departments is to be used for the works of the corporation.
  - It is noteworthy that ERCP provides drinking water for 13 districts of the state (Jhalawar, Baran, Kota, Bundi, Sawai Madhopur, Karauli, Dholpur, Bharatpur, Dausa, Alwar, Jaipur, Ajmer and Tonk). Irrigation is also a very important project.
- Cabinet approves New Rajasthan Start-Up Policy, 2022.
  - This policy will benefit start-ups, entrepreneurial students, rural start-ups and institutional incubation centers of the state. Investment and employment generation opportunities will increase in the state and industrial development will be promoted.
  - It is noteworthy that in the budget session 2020-21, the announcement regarding the implementation of the policy to promote the I-START program was made.
- The Cabinet approved the proposed amendment to the Compassionate Appointments rules, 2002 to the dependents of Battle Casualty, Physical Casualty or to dependents of permanently disabled Armed Forces Service Personnel and Para Military (BSF, CRPF, CISF, ITBP, Coast Guard) personnel.
  - After the said amendment, appointments will be provided to the martyr's family and dependent members of permanently disabled personnel of the said services to posts up to pay-level 10 and such families will be better supported than before.
- Approving the proposal to amend the Rajasthan Civil Services (Revised Pay) Rules, 2017, the Cabinet has taken a big decision in the interest of the employees. Under this rule 17 of the Rajasthan Civil Services (Classification Control and Appeal) Rules, 1958, the resultant effect in the ACP is being abolished in the cases of minor penalties given to the personnel.
- The cabinet has amended the Rajasthan Integrated Child Development (State and Subordinate) Services Rules, 1998. Due to this, for the post of supervisor, backward class and economically weaker candidates will also get relaxation in upper age limit similar to reserved category.
  - There is a provision of relaxation of 10 years in the upper age limit for direct recruitment from Anganwadi worker to the post of supervisor in the Department of Women and Child Development, in which an additional relaxation of 5 years is also payable for reserved category candidates. Now this relaxation will be available to other reserved categories as well as candidates belonging to most backward and economically weaker sections.
  - It is noteworthy that in the budget announcement of the year 2020-21, it was announced to relax the age limit at the same age as the reserved category to the candidates of economically weaker sections.
- The cabinet has approved the proposal to give the benefit of reservation to the candidates of that area as a result of the increase in the coverage of scheduled areas in the state.
  - In this sequence, approval has been given to amend the Rajasthan Scheduled Area Subordinate, Clerical and Class IV (Recruitment and Other Conditions of Service) Rules, 2014 in accordance with the notification issued by the Government of India on May 19, 2018.
  - It is noteworthy that under the notification of the Government of India, the scope of scheduled areas had increased in Banswara, Dungarpur, Pratapgarh, Udaipur, Rajsamand, Chittorgarh, Pali and Sirohi districts of the state, due to which the candidates of the enlarged areas could not get the benefit of reservation. Had been. With the above approval, the candidates will be able to get the benefit of reservation.
- The Cabinet has also approved the proposal to give the benefit of 2 percent reservation in state services to the outstanding sportspersons of the state in 'Rajasthan Engineering Subordinate Services (Electrical Inspectorate Branch)' and 'Rajasthan Science and Technology (State and Subordinate)' services.
- Along with this, the Cabinet has also approved the proposal to include outstanding sportspersons

of Rajasthan state represented in the National Games in the category of 'Outstanding Sportspersons'. This decision will boost the morale of the outstanding players of the state.

- The Cabinet gave its approval to m/s Wonder Cement Limited for allotment of a total of 400.5237 hectares of reserved land for industrial purpose for setting up of large industry (cement plant and railway siding) at Jaisalmer.
  - In this, it has been decided to allocate 377.0650 hectares of land for plant and 23.4587 hectares for railway siding and road in village Parewar (Tehsil Jaisalmer), village Sonu (Tehsil Sum) and Village Leela Parewar (Tehsil Jaisalmer) respectively.
  - The project will be set up in two phases. A total investment of Rs 4200 crore is proposed. About 1500 people will get employment directly or indirectly. Apart from this, workers will also get work in the construction process.
- The Cabinet has decided to fill the post of Hostel Superintendent Grade-II in women (girls) hostels run by tribal regional development department only by women candidates. This decision will ensure the safety and privacy of girls studying in these hostels.
- The Cabinet has approved the proposal to name the Government Industrial Training Institute at Hindoli, Bundi after Babasaheb Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar. It is noteworthy that on July 30, 2022, during his Bundi Yatra, the Chief Minister inaugurated the I.T.I. to be built in Hindoli. Name of the College Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar I.T.I. College was announced.

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## **Two-Day World Sufi Music Festival 'Jahan-e-Khusro' | Rajasthan | 10 Nov 2022**

### **Why In News?**

- On November 9, 2022, Principal Secretary, Rajasthan Tourism Department, Gayatri Rathore said that the department will organize a two-day annual world Sufi music festival 'Jahan-e-Khusro' on November 19 and 20 at Albert Hall in Jaipur to promote the culture and art of the state.

### **Key Points**

- Secretary Gayatri Rathore told a press conference that the melodious sounds of Sufi music will resonate in this ceremony. Also, there will be a glimpse of the culture of Rajasthan. 'Jahan-e-Khusro' symbolizes the colour of unity.
- He informed that Jaipur is being developed as a cultural tourist destination. The arts and artists of Rajasthan are promoted by such events and presentations. In this ceremony, Rajasthan's legend 'Mumal' will be presented as a stage show.
- It is worth mentioning that the famous artistes like Javed Ali, Nooran Sisters, Jasleen Kaur, Niazi will perform in the 'Jahan-e-Khusro' festival designed by renowned filmmaker and painter Muzaffar Ali and designer Meera Ali.