

Madhya Pradesh Science, Technology and Innovation Policy 2022 | Madhya Pradesh | 14 Dec 2022

Why In News?

 In the cabinet meeting held under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan on December 13, 2022, the Council of Ministers approved the first policy related to science, technology and innovation in the state.

Key Points

- This policy will take initiatives to build scientific approach in the state, strengthen innovation ecosystem, promote science and technology enabled entrepreneurship, strengthen governance services using new technology, preserve traditional knowledge systems and encourage inclusion and participation.
- The main objectives of this policy are:
 - To rank Madhya Pradesh as the top science, technology and innovation (STI) destination in the country.
 - Strengthen factors such as human resources, investment and knowledge-based labour force to position Madhya Pradesh in the top 5 states in the 'India Innovation Index' (from its current 13th rank) by the year 2030.
 - To develop an effective STI ecosystem and help Madhya Pradesh to increase knowledgebased production in the state by strengthening indicators such as research publications, innovations, startups, industrial design innovations and patents.
 - morphology and technology given to kingdom Case-ending showing possession or relation aggregate expense for to increase and kingdom In research and evolution relative Areas In own investment for encouraged to do.
 - To promote a spirit of healthy competition among the educational and research institutions of Madhya Pradesh and to provide incentives to receive prestigious national and international science and technology awards (such as 'Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize for Science and Technology').
 - To increase the enrollment ratio in STEM courses at undergraduate, masters and PhD levels by promoting STEM education right from the elementary level, especially among girl students, by enriching the curriculum with STEM experiments and competitions.
 - To develop an ideal framework for preservation and promotion of traditional knowledge systems through scientific certification and commercialization.
 - $\circ~$ To promote innovations in line with the needs of the ground.
 - Promote growth through innovation in economic sectors such as agriculture, healthcare, education and energy and create research, development and innovation infrastructure necessary for the promotion of private enterprises in these sectors.
 - To ensure doorstep delivery of services by accurately assessing the needs of the people by developing proactive, efficient and transparent G2C and G2B systems based on innovative technologies.
 - To advance in the field of skill enhancement by creating world class human resources in new and emerging technologies such as Metaverse, Quantum Computing, 5GSemiconductors, IoT, Blockchain and Distributed Laser Technologies, AI and AR/VR.
 - Build an effective and responsive innovation ecosystem to promote data-based startups by leveraging the vast data repository available in the government domain, creating a universal sandbox environment keeping in view privacy protection requirements.

- To promote national and international relations to facilitate acquisition, transfer, adaptation and use of new and advanced technologies.
- In order to promote contextual innovation and science education, top institutions (such as IITs, IIMs, IIMs, NITs, IIITs, NIDs, NIFT, NLS) will be encouraged to adopt a district in Madhya Pradesh and promote science and innovation locally in that district.
- Innovation clusters, incubators and accelerators will be set up in leading institutions (e.g. ITIs, IIITs, etc.) to help startups take advantage of early funding mentorship, training and best practices through coordination with the private sector.

Land Allotted for Industrial Development in Mohsa-Bawai | Madhya Pradesh | 14 Dec 2022

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 In a meeting chaired by Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan on December 13, 2022, the decision regarding allotment of land in **industrial area Mohsa Bawai** to various industries was taken by the Council of Ministers.

Key Points

- The Council of Ministers has decided on the allotment of land of industrial area Mohsa Bawai to various industries as follows:
 - An area of 227.54 acres at **Mohsa-Bawai** has been granted permission to be reserved for manufacturing of energy and renewable energy equipment under the Scheme of Government of India.
 - Permission has been given for allotment of land for industries in textile, garment, food processing and other sectors on 2458.686 acres of land allotted in Mohsa-Bawai.
 - In order to ensure availability of industrial land at specific locations for setting up units in industrial area Mohsa-Bawai, it has been approved to relax the online mode of land allotment under The Madhya Pradesh State Industrial Land and Building Management Rules, 2014.
 - The units will have to submit their application in the prescribed format to the Regional Office, MPIDC Bhopal as per rules. The application will be examined by the Regional Office and forwarded to the Managing Director, MPIDC.
 - A decision for allotment of land to the concerned units will be taken by the committee constituted under the chairmanship of Principal Secretary, Department of Industrial Policy and Investment Promotion.
 - Employment-oriented units like textile and garment sector, food processing will be identified in the priority category for land allocation in the industrial sector.
 - The units to be set up in Mohsa-Bawai Industrial Area will be provided with other benefits/benefits as per the provisions of the policy except for facilities related to electricity tariff and electricity tariff as per the prevailing industrial policy. Will be eligible to avail the facility.
 - The proposed set up units at Mohsa-Bawai will be set up separately from the Cabinet Committee on Investment Promotion **(CCIP)**. There will be no facility to obtain additional exemption/concession eligibility in development fee.
 - The unit will not be eligible to get concession/concession in the value of the land as per the Madhya Pradesh State Industrial Land and Building Management Rules, 2019 i.e. the land management of the unit will be equivalent to the actual value of the land as per the Madhya Pradesh State Industrial Land and Building Management Rules, 2019.
 - $\circ~$ If there is any order regarding exemption of management and development fee for

allotment of plot, the said order will not be effective in the industrial area Mohsa-Bawai.

- The contract for power supply from the proposed/established units at Mohsa-Bawai will be done under the directions and regulations of the Madhya Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission.
- Due to the establishment of large textile and garment units in Bhopal, Mandideep and Budni, land is being demanded by textile companies like BEST Corporation, Indorama, Mahima Fibers, Vardhman etc. in Mohsa-Bawai industrial area.

Important Decisions of Madhya Pradesh Council of Ministers | Madhya Pradesh | 14 Dec 2022

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 In the cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan on December 13, 2022, several other important decisions including approval of The Madhya Pradesh Private Universities (Establishment and Operation) Second Amendment Bill, 2022 were taken by the Council of Ministers.

Key Points

- The Council of Ministers approved the Madhya Pradesh Private University (Establishment and Operation) Second Amendment Bill, 2022. The Second Amendment Bill, 2022 presented in connection with the establishment of Scope Global Skills University, Bhopal, Abhyudaya University, Khargone and Azim Premji University, Bhopal universities through the Bill was approved by the Council of Ministers.
- Presently available 64 acres of land has been allotted to the Indian airport for developing Rewa airstrip as an airport. Apart from this, approval was given by the Council of Ministers to acquire the required 99.615 hectares of land by the state government and hand it over to the Airport Authority of India.
 - After Rewa airstrip is developed as an airport, landing of Boeing aircraft like A.T.R will be possible, which will lead to economic development of Rewa area and tourism etc. will be promoted, this will directly benefit the general public.
- The Cabinet approved the Madhya Pradesh Land Revenue Code (Second Amendment) Bill, 2022 and authorized the Revenue Department to take all necessary action to introduce the Bill in the Assembly and pass it.
 - Tehsildar is the competent authority to deal with demarcation matters. An amendment is
 proposed in the Madhya Pradesh Land Revenue Code to limit the number of revenue
 inspectors in the state and for speedy disposal of demarcation applications. Now on the
 demarcation application by the Tehsildar, the report of the Revenue Inspector/Town
 Surveyor as well as the Town Patwari can also be taken.
- The cabinet approved the Mukhyamantri Vimukt, Ghumantu and Semi-Nomadic Self-Employment Scheme for the year 2022-23 for the economic and social upliftment of the people belonging to the Vimukt, Ghumantu and Semi-Nomadic communities of the state.
 - The scheme run by the department will be operated in 2 parts. Loans up to Rs 1 lakh in individual cases through the department and agency will be made available through banks.
 - Loans up to Rs 10 lakh will be made available through banks if there is a self-help group.
 - First time loan is 25 per cent or maximum Rs 20,000 (individual case) and Rs 2 lakh (selfhelp group) grant. 6% subsidy on interest rate.
 - ITI in the scheme run by the agency. Loans through banks and grants-in-aid through agencies will be made available to the trained youths for employment.
 - Individual cases of maximum Rs 2 lakh will be accepted. 25 percent of the project cost on

the first loan and 20 percent subsidy on the second loan. 6 percent subsidy on interest on first and second loan.

- 5 Acts mentioned in the schedule of Madhya Pradesh Repeal Bill, 2022 have been repealed by the Council of Ministers. Through this, the following 5 Acts are to be repealed, which have become completely obsolete, unnecessary and unimportant.
 - Madhya Pradesh Borstal Act 1928, Madhya Bharat Small Causes Court Act 1949, Madhya Pradesh Industries State Assistance Act 1958, Madhya Pradesh Horse Diseases Act 1960, Madhya Pradesh Animal (Control) Act 1976.
- The Council of Ministers approved the State Amendment Bill 2022 of the Cigarettes and Other Tobacco Products (Prohibition of Advertisement and Regulation of Trade and Commerce, Production, Supply and Distribution) Act, 2003 in the state of Madhya Pradesh and before reinstating in the Vidhan Sabha Permission was given to send it to the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India for the prior approval of the Honorable President.

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