

MoU Signed Between Jodhpur Discom and National Highways Logistics Management Limited | Rajasthan | 23 Feb 2023

Why In News?

On February 22, 2023, an MoU was signed between Jodhpur Discom and National Highways
Logistics Management Limited (NHLML) in a meeting held at the Government Secretariat Complex
in Jaipur under the chairmanship of Rajasthan Chief Secretary Usha Sharma.

Key points

- Under the MoU signed between Jodhpur Discom and National Highways Logistics Management Limited (NHLML), 11 solar power plants will be developed at a total of six places in three districts of Hanumangarh, Bikaner and Jodhpur on the Amritsar-Bhatinda-Jamnagar Expressway in the state.
- These power plants with a total capacity of 27.43 MW will be set up under the Saur Krishi Aajeevika Yojana (PM Kusum). These power plants will come up at Kolha village in Hanumangarh district, Malkisar-Gopalyan road, Naurangdesar and Rasisar villages in Bikaner district and Bhikamkor village in Jodhpur district and will cover 8 substations.
- It is noteworthy that the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has prepared this action plan through the National Highways Logistics Management Limited, in which solar panels are to be installed along national highways and express highways. This scheme will be developed on PPP mode (Public Private Partnership) basis.

Basemetal in Sikar Dariba and Potash Deposits in Hanumangarh Satipura Area | Rajasthan | 23 Feb 2023

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 On February 22, 2023, Dr. Subodh Agarwal, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Mines, Petroleum and Water Resources, Rajasthan, said that the Geological Survey of India has found mineral base metal deposits in Dariba in Sikar district during mineral exploration and Jokhia South Block in Hanumangarh district. And potash reserves have been found in Khunja North Block.

Key points

- Dr. Subodh Aggarwal said that GSI has completed exploration of G2 level in Sikar area and G3 level in Hanumangarh area, due to which auction proceedings for mining lease can be done after completing necessary formalities of auction in these areas.
- He said that according to the report of GSI, there is a possibility of 2.81 million tonnes of reserves of 0.33 per cent copper basemetal as a result of G2 level exploration in Dariba block of Sikar district and on the other hand, in Satipura sub-basin of Hanumangarh of Nagaur-Ganganagar

- basin. 3's exploration has resulted in reserves of about 340 million tonnes of the mineral potash.
- Dr. Subodh Agarwal has instructed the officers to prepare a time-bound action plan and complete the necessary process of auction of these blocks on priority so that precious minerals like base metal and potash can be exploited, dependence on imports from foreign countries can be reduced and the revenue of the state can increase.
- It is noteworthy that during the meeting of the joint working group of the state and central government, the Deputy Director General of the Geological Survey of India Ramjeevan gave the exploration report to ACS Mines.
- Geological Survey of India's Deputy Director General Ramjeevan said that along with the mineral exploration work in the state, exploration reports are submitted by the Central Government's organizations including GSI, MECL, IBM, along with the Mineral Department.

New Website of Rajasthan Civil Services Appellate Tribunal Launched | Rajasthan | 23 Feb 2023

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• On February 22, 2023, Ashwini Bhagat, Chairman, Rajasthan Civil Services Appellate Tribunal launched the new and updated website of the State Civil Services Appellate Tribunal.

Key points

- It may be mentioned that the tribunal hears the service-related promises of the employees of the state. This website has been launched by the Government of Rajasthan for the dissemination of information with speedy justice and transparency to the common people.
 - Tribunal's Registrar Pankaj Ojha said that the website has been developed by the Information and Technology Department.
 - In this website facility of alert through SMS, online registration of cases of Jodhpur Bench, facility of uploading all types of stays and decisions, division of cause list into benches according to case purpose, information of advocates, case re-open Facility of case linking and tagging, facility of roster maintenance, facility of MIS preparation and entry of more than one private party have been included.

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