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## Rural and Cottage Industries Policy-2022 | Chhattisgarh | 07 Apr 2023

### Why in News?

On 5 April 2023 According to the information given by the Public Relations Department of Chhattisgarh, the state government implemented the Rural and Cottage Industries Policy-2022 to provide employment to the villagers through small cottage industries in rural areas and increase their income.

### Key Points

- It is known that as a result of the new industrial policy implemented in Chhattisgarh, the single window system, and adequate availability of raw materials, industrial development has gained momentum in the state. Taking a step further in this direction, the State Government has implemented the Rural and Cottage Industries Policy-2022.
- Chhattisgarh's New Industrial Policy 2019-24 prepared on the initiative of Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel has been successful in attracting investors. In the last four years, 2218 new industries were established in which more than 21 thousand 457 crore rupees have been invested and more than 40 thousand people have got employment.
- Under the promotion of rural and cottage industries in the state, approval has been given to establish 300 Rural Industrial Parks at Rs 600 crore. Along with this, a target has been set to set up a rural industrial park in every gram panchayat within 5 years.
- In this policy, small investors are being encouraged to venture into the service sector. Such development blocks, which traditionally have village and cottage industries are being classified as high-priority development blocks and are being given more grants than usual.
- To get subsidies under this policy, the unit doesn't need to be established in rural areas only. Like rural areas, the work of setting up Urban Industrial Parks is also being done in urban areas.
- To promote the traditional arts of the state like handloom weaving, beekeeping, lac, herbal collection, bell metal, Dhokra craft, bamboo craft, products made from cow dung and cow urine, products made from forest produce, agarbatti, candle making, tailoring, weaving etc. special incentives are being provided by setting high priority and priority.
- Under this policy, there is a provision to give a 10 per cent additional incentive to women, Scheduled Castes, and Scheduled Tribes. Arrangements will be made to impart training in appropriate technology for rural and cottage industries and appropriate technology for the future in ITIs, polytechnics etc.