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## Decision to Increase DA of State Employees to 42 Percent | Jharkhand | 29 Apr 2023

### Why in News?

In the state cabinet meeting held under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Hemant Soren it was decided to increase the dearness allowance of state government employees from 34 percent to 42 percent.

### Key Points

- Vandana Dadel, Cabinet Secretary for Coordination said that due to the increase, the govt. treasury would be burdened by Rs 441.52 crore per year. The additional installment of dearness allowance to the employees will be effective from January 1, 2023.
- As per information, in the revised pay scale (7th Central Pay Scale) that is effective from 1st January 2016 an increase in the rates of Dearness Allowance has been approved with effect from January 1, 2023.
- State employees whose pay scale or pay structure (seventh pay scale revision) has been revised from January 1, 2016, to January 18, 2017, will start getting the benefit of 42 percent dearness allowance from January 1, 2023.
- In another decision, the cabinet has also approved the proposal for amendment in the standard form of Scheduled Tribe and Caste certificate. Now the prescribed Form Five (Form-5) of the Central Government will also be applicable in Jharkhand.
- Apart from this, the cabinet meeting also approved setting up of the Sub-Divisional Court at Chakradharpur in West Singhbhum district and appointment of administrators in Urban Local Bodies.