



## 1st Prize to Chhattisgarh for Innovation in Safe Abortion Services | Chhattisgarh | 01 May 2023

### Why in News?

On 28 April 2023, Chhattisgarh received the 1st prize for innovation in safe abortion services in the National Consultation on Comprehensive Abortion Care organized by the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in New Delhi.

### Key Points:

- State Nodal Officer for Maternal Health Dr. Shailendra Agarwal and State Advisor Abhilasha Sharma Ratre received the award on behalf of Chhattisgarh.
- It is worth mentioning that the Medical Termination of Pregnancy (MTP) Act has been implemented to monitor safe abortion services in the country.
- According to the Medical Termination of Pregnancy (Amendment) Act, 2021, a pregnant woman can get an abortion up to 24 weeks. Abortion is permitted in case of sexual assault, rape, change of marital status (widow and divorce) during minor pregnancy, and physically disabled and mentally ill women. Along with this, those women can also get abortions, whose fetus in the womb has a deformity.
- 'E-Kalyani App' has been prepared to monitor the availability of safe abortion services in private hospitals in the state and compliance of the MTP Act.
- Through this app, private hospitals can apply for providing services under the Act, which is reviewed and approved by the district-level committee.
- At present, 136 private hospitals are registered in the state in the 'E-Kalyani App', where safe abortion services are being provided under the MTP Act. Apart from these, safe abortion-related services are also available in 193 government hospitals.
- Support is being provided by the Ipas Development Foundation in the operation of safe abortion services in the state.





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## **Direct Building Permission project started in Bhilai Charoda, Birgaon and Dhamtari | Chhattisgarh | 01 May 2023**

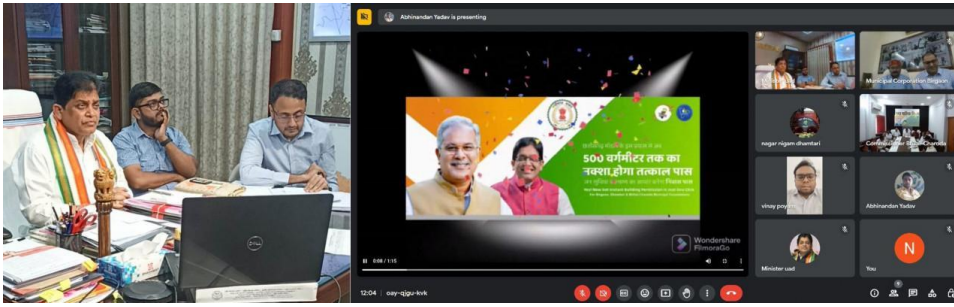
### **Why in News?**

On 28 April 2023, Chhattisgarh's Urban Administration and Development Minister Dr. Shiv Kumar Dahria virtually inaugurated the online building permission project in three municipal corporations of the state, Bhilai Charoda, Dhamtari and Birgaon due to which the process of passing the map of building construction has become online in all the municipal corporations of the state.

### **Key Points**

- It is known that the online building permission project has already started in 11 municipal corporations of the state.
- All physical touch points have been removed in this software so that citizens do not need to go to the office for work related to building permission, verification of documents will also be online and an online payment facility is also available. Citizens will now get the benefit of this facility at home itself.
- Time limit has also been fixed for the officers in this software so that this facility can be given to the citizens within the time limit.
- Through this software, Chhattisgarh Model Direct Building Permit Project has also been started in these cities, which means citizens of these cities will now be allowed to build houses up to 5000 square feet with just one click and one rupee.

- Through this process, cities are trying to transform the building permit process into a simple, quick and easy system.
- This software based on the Chhattisgarh model has been developed by the National Institute of Urban Affairs under the National Urban Digital Mission.



## Chief Minister released the book 'Basi' | Chhattisgarh | 01 May 2023

### Why in News?

On 30 April 2023, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel released Dr. Gitesh Kumar Amrohit's book 'Basi' at his residence office.

### Key Points

- Dr. Gitesh Amrohit told the Chief Minister that Basi is an integral part of the folk culture of Chhattisgarh. Last year, Bore Basi Day was celebrated with full enthusiasm in the entire state as well as in foreign countries. Inspired by this event, he got the idea of writing a book on Baasi.
- The book contains various things you need to know about Basi, including its method of preparation, nutritional value, benefits in preventing various diseases and significance in the state's folk culture among other features.
- Information about last year's 'Bore Basi Diwas' celebrations in foreign countries is also given in the book.

## Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel was honoured with the Doctorate Degree by the University of France | Chhattisgarh | 01 May 2023

### Why in News?

On 29 April 2023, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel was awarded the doctorate degree by the world-renowned Sorbonne University for his special initiative to advance Chhattisgarh's rural economy with limited utilization of local resources.

### Key Points

- This title was given by the Shri Aurobindo Foundation at the program 'Global Awards 2023' organized by the Sorbonne University of Paris, France, at Hotel Sayaji, capital Raipur.
- It is worth mentioning that Sorbonne University has a big place in the global educational scenario. The students who passed out from here have received 33 Nobel Prizes. This university has also appreciated the purchase of cow dung under the Godhan Nyaya Yojana in Chhattisgarh by the Chief Minister and the operation of the Narva, Garwa, Ghurwa, and Bari program under the Suraji Gram Yojana.
- University researchers and professors are also preparing a research paper on the remarkable work done by the Chief Minister to take forward the development of the rural economy, which will be published in the world-famous Research Journal of the University.

