



For the 1st time in the country, BRO opened a Cafe in Chamoli. | Uttarakhand | 08 May 2023

Why in News?

According to information received from media sources on 7 May 2023, on the 64th Foundation Day of Border Roads Organization (BRO), Minister of State for Defense Ajay Bhate virtually inaugurated the first cafe of BRO in the country at Pandukeshwar in Chamoli district on Badrinath Highway in Uttarakhand.

Key Points

- The cafe opened by BRO at Pandukeshwar is the first cafe of the organization. In this, the best food facilities will be provided for the pilgrims visiting Badrinath Dham and Hemkund Sahib.
- With this new initiative of BRO, the pilgrims coming on pilgrimage will get a lot of conveniences.
- Wherever there are BRO roads in the country, cafes will be opened at 75 places along them.



Students will get Bilingual Books in Uttarakhand Schools | Uttarakhand | 08 May 2023

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According to information received from media sources on 6 May 2023, Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhama, during the review of school education, said that from the next session, students of classes 6 to 12 of state government and non-government schools will be given Science, Mathematics and Civics

bilingual books will be made available.

Key Points

- The Chief Minister said that in each such subject book of NCERT, the left page would be in Hindi and the right page would be in English language. This will make it easier for Hindi and English medium children to study.
- On this occasion, the Chief Minister directed the officials to study the reasons for the dropout of students in the districts under school education and make every possible effort to reduce the number of dropout children and to increase the number of students in government schools.
- Under PM Shri, all the necessary facilities will be provided for the selected 142 schools of the state. Along with school education, special attention will also be given to vocational education.
- Courses will be conducted in polytechnic colleges and ITIs based on the demand of time. For this, continuous coordination will be made with industrial institutions, so that after training the students get proper placement.
- Paying special attention to the modernization of polytechnic colleges and ITIs, it should be decided that they should have skilled human resources as well as necessary equipment. Special attention should be given to those trades in which the demand for work has increased. Instructions were also given to upgrade polytechnic colleges and ITIs in a phased manner.
- The Chief Minister said that special attention will be paid to the compliance of the National Education Policy 2020 and work will also be done to promote vocational courses along with higher education.

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