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## The Foundation stone of Barwas Micro Irrigation Project | Rajasthan | 06 Jul 2023

### Why in News?

On July 5, 2023, Rajasthan's Minister of State for Youth Affairs, Sports and Information & Public Relations Ashok Chandna laid the foundation stone of Barwas Micro Irrigation Project in Bundi district to be constructed at a cost of Rs 12 crore in the state.

### Key Points:

- The construction of this project at Barwas village in Bundi district will increase the area's water level. Farmers will get options for crop sowing and the underground water level will increase. This will directly benefit the tenants.
- It is worth mentioning that the state government has made several announcements for the Hindoli-Nainwa region in the state budget. In the last four years, development work has been done in many areas including drinking water, irrigation, medical, education, agriculture, and roads in the area.
- The Minister of State said that the mini dams and anicuts built in the area have ensured irrigation to the farmers and the availability of drinking water to the villagers. At the same time, the underground water level of the area is increasing. An amount of Rs 200 crore has been spent on these works.

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## CM approves the draft of 'Vishwakarma Kamgar Kalyan Yojana' | Rajasthan | 06 Jul 2023

### Why in News?

On July 4, 2023, in order to promote employment in the state, Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot has approved the draft of 'Vishwakarma Kamgar Kalyan Yojana'.

### Key Points:

- Under this scheme, 1 lakh people of different categories will get the assistance of 5-5 thousand rupees to buy necessary equipment, kits, sewing machines etc. for self-employment.
  - These include the Rajasthan Crafts and Mati Arts Board, Rajasthan State Kesh Kala Board, Rajasthan State Denotified Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Welfare Board, Handicrafts Scheme run through The Department of Industry and Commerce, Rajivika/NULM-Women and Artisans identified by Labour Department-Kamgar.
  - With this decision, better opportunities for self-employment will be available to the people of these sections.
  - It is worth mentioning that Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot had announced the launch of 'Vishwakarma Kamgar Kalyan Yojana' in the budget for the year 2023-24.
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