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## **Pistol, Revolver-cartridge to be made in Aligarh with American technology | Uttar Pradesh | 20 Jul 2023**

### **Why in News?**

According to information received from the media on July 19, 2023, the production of pistols, revolvers and cartridges will start this year with the technology of American company Smith & Wesson in the Uttar Pradesh Defence Industrial Corridor Aligarh Node. For this, India's Veriwin Defense Company has signed an agreement with American arms manufacturer Smith & Wesson.

### **Key Points:**

- In the Defense Corridor under construction at Andla in Khair Tehsil of Aligarh, the company will launch weapons in the market for the Army, Police and private individuals in December 2023. At the Aligarh node, the company has started chain manufacturing for the sale of pistols, and revolvers.
- Veriwin Defense will be the 1st company to start production of weapons at the Aligarh node. The company has completed more than 90% construction of the factory. Stores have been prepared for keeping explosive materials from godowns. The local administration has also sought no objection from the people regarding this. The licenses for pistols, revolvers and cartridges have been approved by the Ministry of Home Affairs.
- The head office of Veriwin Defense Private Limited is located in Singapore.
- In a joint agreement with American company Smith & Wesson, Veriwin Defense Company will market a variety of pistols and revolvers for the military, police and private individuals. The company has released the model and specifications of the pistol and revolver. The price will also be more than Rs 1.70 lakh. Although now the company will fix the pricing only after construction, but the primary rates have been fixed.
- Veriwin Defence Private Limited company will also work on hardware units in Aligarh. This is the anchor entity investing in the defence corridor. Small-scale industries will benefit from this. Especially manufacturers doing defence products earlier will get work.
- Small parts will be required in other defence equipment including pistols, cartridges, and revolvers, which will be taken from auxiliary units.
- It is worth mentioning that Veriwin has invested Rs 85 crore in Aligarh and Rs 127 crore in the Jhansi node. In Aligarh, 4 acres of land have been taken from UPDA.
- Veriwin Defense Company will make 2 lakh cartridges every month in Aligarh. Although the production will depend on the order, but the capacity is to manufacture 2 lakhs.
- 9 mm for police and army, 32, 45 and 380 mm cartridges will be made for civil. The company will manufacture more than 500 weapons in a month. The manufacture of weapons will also depend on the order. The company has a capacity of 500 weapons a month.
- Director Veriwin Defense Private Limited, Mohit Sharma said that Veriwin Defense Company has been working in the field of arms manufacturing for 40 years.



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## 24 Litterateurs selected for Official Language Award by the Government of Bihar | Bihar | 20 Jul 2023

### Why in News?

According to the information received from the media on July 18, 2023, the Bihar government has announced the Rajbhasha Awards, in which 24 litterateurs awarded Hindi Seva Samman for 2020-21 and 2021-22 will be honoured on July 31 at the Convention Building in Patna.

### Key Points:

- An amount ranging from 50 thousand to 3 lakh rupees in cash will be given to the selected litterateurs.
- Selected litterateurs for 2020-21:
  - Vishwanath Prasad Tiwari has been selected for Dr. Rajendra Prasad Shikhar Samman. He will be given a prize of three lakh rupees.
  - Dr. Ashok Kumar has been selected for the BR Ambedkar Award. He will be given a cash prize of Rs 2.5 lakh.
  - Jannayak Karpoori Thakur Samman to Mrinal Pandey, BP Mandal Award to Sushila Takbhare, Nagarjuna Award to poet Satyanarayan, Ramdhari Singh Dinkar Award to Ramshrestha Dewan and Phanishwarnath Renu Award to Prof. Jabir Hussain will be given. All of them will be given Rs 2 lakh as cash prize.
  - Mahadevi Verma Award to Dr. Poonam Singh, Babu Ganga Sharan Singh Award to Dr. K. Banerjee, Vidyakar Kavi Award to Dakshina Bharat Hindi Prasar Prachar Sabha, Vidyapati Award to Geeta Shri, Mohan Lal Mahto Viyogi Award to Dr. Rakesh Kumar Sinha Ravi, Bhikhari Thakur Award to Bhagwati Prasad Dwivedi, Dr. Grierson Award to Dr. Chhaya Sinha and Dr. Kamil Bulke Award to Anant Vijay. All of them will be given Rs 50,000 as cash prize.
- Selected litterateurs for 2021-22:
  - Madhusudan Anand has been selected for the Dr. Rajendra Prasad Shikhar Samman. He will be given a cash prize of Rs 3 lakh.
  - Balaram has been selected for the Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar Award. He will be given Rs 2.5

lakh as the prize.

- Jannayak Karpoori Thakur Award will be given to Dr. Chandra Shikha, BP Mandal Award to Dr. Irshad Kamil, Nagarjuna Award to Bhola Pandit Pranayai, Ramdhari Singh Dinkar Samman to Anirudh Sinha and Phanishwarnath Renu Award to Dr. Shahnaz Fatmi. They will be given two lakh rupees in cash.
- Mahadevi Verma Award will be given to Dr. Bhawna and Babu Ganga Sharan Singh Award to Dr. Gurmeet Singh. They will be given Rs 50,000 in cash.

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## List of total 44 Notified Wetlands in 19 Districts released in the state | Rajasthan | 20 Jul 2023

### Why in News?

On July 19, 2023, Additional Chief Secretary of Rajasthan Forest, Environment & Climate Change Department, Shikhar Agarwal said that taking a historic step in the field of conservation and integrated management of wetlands by the Department of Environment & Climate Change, a list of total 44 notified wetlands has been issued in 19 districts of the state, under which Baran district of the state will have maximum 12 wetlands.

### Key Points:

- 44 wetlands in 19 districts of the state will strengthen the ecosystem in the state and provide a better food chain for wildlife. Wetlands, which are recognized as the kidneys of the earth, play an important role in maintaining the natural balance as well as in environmental protection and water harvesting and purification.
- According to the notification issued by the Environment & Climate Change Department, there will now be a total of 44 notified wetlands (wetlands) areas in the state, under which wetlands in Baran district include Eklera Sagar, Kotrapar Talab, Bethali Dam, Hinglot Dam, Utavali Dam, Sehrol Dam, Garda Talab, Niyana Talai, Nahargarh, Teja Ji Ki Talai, Pushkar Talab, Lhasi Dam.
- There are Devi Kund Sagar and Sursagar under Bikaner district, Naval Sagar Lake under Bundi district, Mangalwad Lake, Kishan Kareri, Barwai Lake, Gambhiri Dam, Dungarpur District, Sabela Pond in Dungarpur District, Naval Sagar Lake under Bundi District, Bird Sanctuary Canvas, Kishore Sagar, Hanotia under Kota, Didwana (Khalda) in Nagaur District, Pali District The lake includes Lakhotia Talab and Lordia Talab, Rajyawas and Raghav Sagar wetlands under Rajsamand district.
- Apart from these, there are Rewasa in Sikar district, Buddhasagar, Bisalpur, Chandlai, Motisagar, Galwania, Tordi Sagar in Sikar district, Menar Talab Wetland Complex in Udaipur district, Chawandia in Bhilwara district, Kesariyawad in Pratapgarh district, Lakherao Talab in Sirohi district, Ajmer district Bada Talab, Rankhar in Jalore district, Badbela Talab in Jhalawar district are included.
- According to the notification, there will be a ban on any kind of encroachment in the wetland & surrounding areas and there will be a ban on setting up any new industry & expansion of existing industries.
- Along with this, there will be a ban on the collection and disposal of solid, hazardous & e-waste. Food items given by common people to fish and migratory birds will be banned. Commercial mining, stone quarrying along with crushing units will also be banned. There will be an effective ban on any type of hunting.
- All commercial activities that emit pollution including activities that reduce the area and potential of wetlands will be prohibited. Also, any type of groundwater extraction will be prohibited.
- According to the notification, fish farming, operation of boats, desilting, temporary construction, and drainage of water for special purposes can be done in the wetlands area.
- What are wetlands:
- Known as 'Kidney of the Landscape' and 'Biological Supermarket', such moist and marshy land,

which is partially or completely filled with water throughout the year.

- Wetlands are ecosystems that absorb excess water during floods so that areas of human habitation are protected from submergence.
- Apart from this, by performing important roles like 'carbon absorption' and an increase in 'ground water level', wetlands contribute significantly to environmental protection.



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## Rajasthan Prison Bill-2023 passed by voice vote | Rajasthan | 20 Jul 2023

### Why in News?

On July 18, 2023, after discussing the Rajasthan Prisons Bill-2023 in the Rajasthan Assembly, the House passed the bill by voice vote.

### Key Points:

- On this occasion, Prisons Minister Tikaram Julie said that the Rajasthan Prison Bill-2023 has been brought to ensure reformative provisions, basic human rights, their skill development and vocational training program for the prisoners in the jails of the state.
- At present, the 129-year-old Administration and Management Prisons Act-1894 and the 63-year-old Rajasthan Prisons Act-1960 are in force in the state.
- The Rajasthan Prisons Bill-2023 has been brought together by integrating various amendments made in these Acts from time to time. This bill will work for the prisoners as well as the officers and employees working in the jails.
- The Prisons Minister said that various innovations are being made by the department for the improvement of prisoners so that they can get employment after the completion of their sentence.

Open detention camps, skill development programmes and the opening of petrol pumps in jails are important innovations in this direction. Rajasthan ranks first in the entire country in terms of open camps. About 40% of the country's open detention camps are in Rajasthan.

- LED bulbs are being made by the prisoners in the jails of the state, which are available at a lower price than the market. The construction work of new jails in Dungarpur and Jhalawar will be completed soon.
- Facilities in jails in the state are being expanded at a rapid pace. The facility of appearance through VCs is available in 96 % of the jails of the state and soon this facility will be set up in the remaining jails. At the same time, continuous inspections are being carried out by administrative, police and judicial officers for security in the jails.
- Earlier, the House rejected the proposal to circulate the bill for public opinion by a voice vote.

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## **Rajasthan Appropriation (No.-3) Bill, 2023 passed | Rajasthan | 20 Jul 2023**

### **Why in News?**

On July 19, 2023, the Rajasthan Legislative Assembly passed the Rajasthan Appropriation (No.3) Bill, 2023.

### **Key Points:**

- The Bill seeks to authorise payment and appropriation of certain amounts from the Consolidated Fund of the State for the financial year 2023-24.
- With the passage of the bill, an amount of 8 thousand 255 crore 67 lakh 40 thousand rupees will be paid and utilized.
- Earlier, the Assembly also passed the Demands for Supplementary Grants for the year 2023-24 (first compilation).
- Minister-in-charge Shanti Kumar Dhariwal presented the demands, which were passed by the House.

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## **MoU signed between MAPCOST and NIF Gandhinagar | Madhya Pradesh | 20 Jul 2023**

### **Why in News?**

On July 19, 2023, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between Madhya Pradesh Council of Science and Technology (MAPCOST) Bhopal and the National Innovation Foundation Gandhinagar, under which the State Innovation Foundation will be formed in the state for mutual cooperation in various fields of grassroots innovation, science and technology between the two institutions.

### **Key Points:**

- The MoU was signed by Dr. Anil Kothari, Director General, on behalf of Madhya Pradesh Council of

Science & Technology and Dr. Arvind C. Ranade, Director, on behalf of National Innovation Foundation-India.

- The main objective of the MoU is to provide cooperation between the two institutions in research, innovation, intellectual property rights and academic level in science and technology.
- Director General of MAPCOST Dr. Anil Kothari informed that the State Innovation Foundation will be established in the state with the help of the National Innovation Foundation. Technical assistance will be taken from experts of NIF in this work.
- With the help of the State Innovation Foundation, a database of innovators of the state will be created and their products will be commercialized.
- With the help of State Innovation Foundation, a database of innovators of the state will be created and help will be provided in commercializing their products.
- Under the MoU, Innovation Foundation will provide a research guide for research work in the field of science and engineering. Technical expertise will be made available for grassroots innovations and awareness campaigns on intellectual property rights. Technical cooperation will be done to strengthen traditional knowledge.
- Similarly, research scholars will be provided with research instrumentation and library facilities available in both institutes. Both institutes can jointly submit project proposals for various schemes of the Central and State Governments.
- This MoU has been done for 3 years. Its duration can be extended by 2 more years. With this MoU, the innovators of the state will get a proper platform, with the help of which they will be able to convert their products into patents. For this they will be provided with proper technical advice and resources.
- Dr. Anil Kothari informed that there will be mutual cooperation between the two institutions in science popularization activities, programs and preparation of project proposals. Similarly, there will be an exchange in the field of scientific publication.
- He informed that mutual cooperation will be done in organizing study programmes, seminars, conferences etc. Along with this, a common exchange of information on scientific topics and issues will be done for innovative persons, inventors and researchers.



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## **Chief Justice Ravi Malimath launches online RTI portal for High Court & District Courts | Madhya Pradesh | 20 Jul 2023**

**Why in News?**

On July 18, 2023, Chief Justice Ravi Malimath launched the online portal of RTI in Jabalpur, the main division bench of the Madhya Pradesh High Court. Information about the three division benches of the High Court and the District Court will be available from the portal.

### Key Points:

- Chief Justice Ravi Malimath said that Madhya Pradesh High Court is leading in working on paperless mode from start to finish across the country. The portal has been made integrated cloud-based, as well as integrated with the high court database.
- This online portal has also been linked to the cyber treasury for all types of online transactions.
- The Chief Justice said that this portal fixes the responsibility of the concerned officers and employees and makes them accountable for providing the information sought in the RTI.
- The software provides information to the State Public Information Officer and concerned staff on the e-RTI tab of the official website of the Court **www.mphc.gov.in** about every such activity in connection with the RTI, which is sought by the applicant, at a click.



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## Plastic Waste Processing Machines to be installed in 143 Blocks of the state | Haryana | 20 Jul 2023

### Why in News?

On July 17, 2023, Haryana Chief Secretary Sanjeev Kaushal chaired the third meeting of the Special Task Force to review the implementation of Plastic Waste Management Rules and ban on Single-Use Plastic Items in Chandigarh.

### Key Points:

- These include plastic shredders, belling machines and dust removal machines, which will be installed at a cost of around Rs 16 lakh per unit. These units will facilitate recycling and also reduce the amount of plastic waste.
- This far-reaching initiative aims to tackle the twin challenges of plastic waste pollution and the need for better road infrastructure.
- It was informed in the meeting that from July 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023, 17,407 challans were

issued under the action plan to ban single-use plastic items. They were fined Rs 1,46,62,750 after 15,045 kg of single-use plastic was seized across the state.

- The Chief Secretary directed the officers of the Public Works Department (B&R), Urban Local Bodies, Executive Engineer Panchayati Raj and State Marketing Board to make it mandatory to use plastic waste materials in road construction as per the norms of Ministry of Road Transport and National Highways.
- The Chief Secretary directed the Deputy Commissioners and District Municipal Commissioners to hold regular review meetings of the Special Task Force on Plastic Management through virtual means.
- Apart from this, he also directed the officers to create awareness among all sections of the society, especially at the rural level, and to promote wide-scale publicity activities on plastic waste management to solve the environmental issue.



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## **CM Inaugurated & Laid the Foundation Stone of 347 Projects worth Rs 2741 crore | Haryana | 20 Jul 2023**

### **Why in News?**

On July 18, 2023, Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of 347 projects worth Rs 2741 crore through video conferencing from Ferozpur Jhirka in Nuh district of the state.

### **Key Points:**

- These projects include inauguration of 157 projects worth Rs 1270 crore and foundation stone laying of 190 projects worth Rs 1462 crore.
- The Chief Minister also dedicated nine projects worth Rs 305 crore to the residents of Nuh district in Ferozpur Jhirka. Ministers, MPs and MLAs inaugurated and laid foundation stones of development projects in the programs organized in the districts.
- The Chief Minister announced 4 new drinking water projects for 66 villages of Nuh assembly constituency. About 306 crore rupees will be spent on this. He also announced the construction of a road from Nuh to Munda village.
- Apart from this, it was also announced to increase drinking water capacity from 55 LPCD to 70 LPCD in 80 villages in Ferozpur Jhirka.
- By adding the cost of these projects to Rs 2,741 crore, it becomes approximately Rs 15,000 crore.



Inaugurating and laying the foundation stones of projects on such a large scale digitally from one place is a great example of e-governance, saving time and money as well.

- The inaugurated Rainy Well-based drinking water scheme is the biggest project for Nuh district, which will directly benefit the residents of Ferozpur Jhirka.
- It is known that the people of this area used to observe fast in Ramzan and when they broke their fast in the evening, they needed water, which they had to buy water from. Now people will not have to buy water from this project.



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## Reconstitution of Shri Mata Mansa Devi Shrine Board Panchkula | Haryana | 20 Jul 2023

Why in News?

On July 18, 2023, the Governor of Haryana reconstituted the Shri Mata Mansa Devi Shrine Board Panchkula with immediate effect in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 4 of the Shri Mata Mansa Devi Shrine Act, 1991.

### **Key Points:**

- The Chief Minister of Haryana will be the chairman of this board and the urban local bodies minister will be the vice-chairman.
  - The members of the board will be the Chief Secretary and the Commissioner & Secretary of the Urban Local Bodies Department. The Deputy Commissioner and Chief Administrator of Shri Mata Mansa Devi Shrine Board, Panchkula will be the Member Secretary.
  - The non-official members include Haryana Assembly Speaker Gian Chand Gupta, Latika Sharma, Banto Kataria, Panchkula Mayor Kulbhushan Goyal, Panchkula Chamber of Commerce and Industries Chairman Arun Grover and Hari Chand Gupta.
  - The associate members include Vishal Seth and Ishwar Jindal.
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## **Vision Document of Sustainable Just Transition released | Jharkhand | 20 Jul 2023**

### **Why in News?**

On July 19, 2023, in Ranchi, the capital of Jharkhand, in a program organized by SEED under the joint auspices of the Forest Department and Jharkhand State Pollution Control Council, Chief Secretary of the state Sukhdev Singh released the vision document 'Nav-Nirman ki ore Agrasar' related to the outline of Sustainable Just Transition.

### **Key Points:**

- In the program, to prevent the growing crisis of climate change in the country, it has been said to achieve the net-zero goal of Vision 2070, in which the role of the task force will be important.
- It is known that since November 2022, Jharkhand is the first state in the country to constitute a 'Task Force' in this direction.
- The Chief Secretary said that the Sustainable Just Transition Task Force is important not only for the state but also for India's ambitious goals related to climate change and walking on the path of the green economy.
- A convergence approach and comprehensive vision is very important in national and state-level efforts for better results towards a carbon-neutral and climate-friendly economy.
- There is a target to generate power through renewable energy in Jharkhand, in which solar energy, hydrogen energy etc. will be important sources. Lakhs of people in the state derive their livelihood from the coal & thermal power plants and their associated local economy, small-scale industries & the unorganized sector.
- Union Coal Secretary Amrit Lal Meena told an online medium in the program that the Central Government has taken steps towards achieving the goal of Net-Zero of Vision 2070. Jharkhand has set an exemplary example in front of other states in setting strategies for sustainable transition. The vision document is a far-reaching and commendable effort of the state government and the task force.
- A sustainable energy transition is essential for minimum carbon emissions. Coal will continue to play an important role in future energy needs and in accelerating the energy transition.
- Union Coal Secretary said that this vision document is guided by the goals of carbon emission-free economy and sustainable development in the country, which has been prepared through inter-departmental meetings, national and state consultations and the participation of all stakeholders.

- This vision document has been prepared through the study and analysis of renowned research partners and best practices of the country and the world under an inclusive and participatory process.
- Eight areas have been given special attention to develop the transition roadmap as a priority, including Livelihood Transition, Energy Transition, Decarbonization Pathway, Coal Transition, Sustainable Mobility Transition, Green Hydrogen, Investment and Finance and Institutional Change.
- This vision emphasizes on achieving environmental, social and economic aspirations in the state in line with the climate and net-zero goals.
- Emphasizing the need for a convergence approach in the process of sustainable transition, SEED CEO Ramapati Kumar said that this is a historic and visionary step, as for the first time in the country a state has presented a vision document on sustainable transition. It provides a broad outline of climate governance in the state.
- This initiative of the state government will strengthen the national and global efforts for climate solutions. Inter-departmental convergence is essential for a climate-resilient and future-ready economy.



## Chief Minister released the Chhattisgarhi Play titled “Suraji Gaon” | Chhattisgarh | 20 Jul 2023

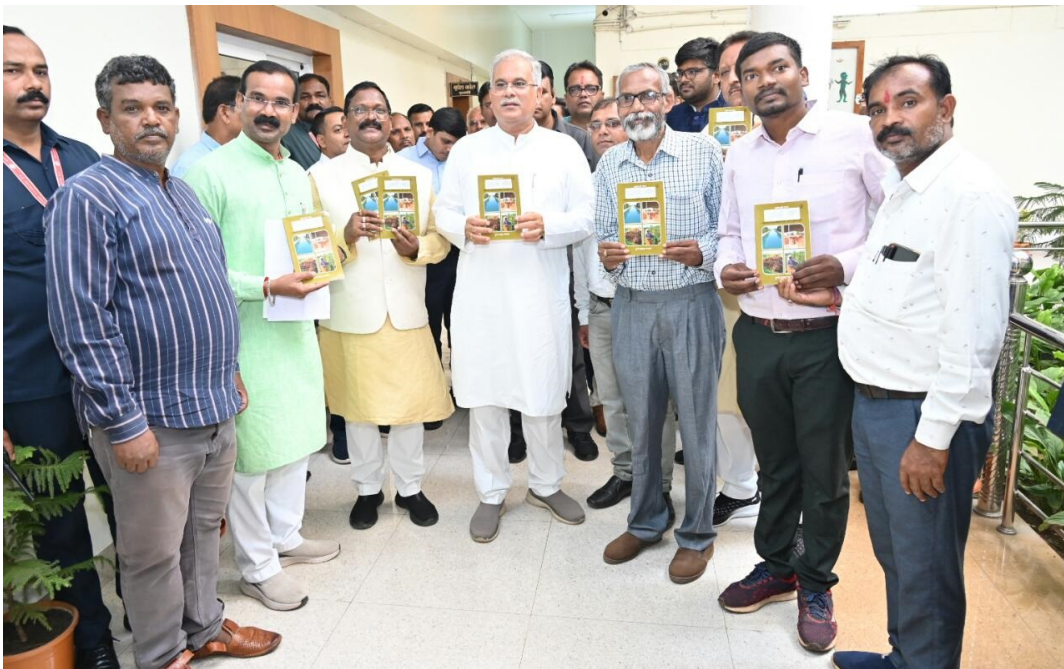
### Why in News?

On July 18, 2023, Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel Released Durga Prasad Parkar's play 'Suraji Gaon' in his office located in the assembly premises.

### Key Points:

- Durga Prasad Parkar informed the Chief Minister that this Chhattisgarhi play is based on the state government's ambitious Narva, Garva Ghuruva, and Bari scheme. In this play, he has underlined the change in the lives of the villagers with the scheme Narva, Garuva Ghuruva, Bari which is strengthening the rural economy.

- Through the creation of 'Suraji Gaon, his effort is to make people aware about this welfare scheme of the state government, so that people can take maximum advantage of this scheme.
- It is worth mentioning that Chhattisgarh government has started 'Suraji Gaon Yojana' from October 2, 2019 to make water conservation, animal husbandry, soil health and nutrition management successful in the state with the participation of common people. Under this scheme, a campaign has been started for the conservation and promotion of Narva (Rain Drains), Garva (Livestock), Ghurva (Compost Manure Manufacturing) and Bari (Vegetable and Fruit Garden).
- Under the Narva programme, about 29,000 stormwater drains of the state are being identified and treated. With this rainwater is conserved as well as the groundwater level of the concerned areas is improving. The villagers are getting irrigation water for agriculture through drains, the cattle are getting relief from the problem of drinking water, as well as the availability of water for drainage is being ensured to the villagers even during summer. There is no shortage of drinking water even for the wild animals during summer and they are getting water all the time.
- Under the Garva programme, arrangements have been made to keep animals thereby making Gauthans in the villages for protection and promotion of livestock. There is a system of daycare for the animals in the Gauthans. Under this, a free arrangement of fodder and water has been made. Due to this, the cattle do not have to wander even for fodder.
- The use of organic manure is being promoted through the Ghurwa programme.
- Bari Program - Bari is called Bari in Chhattisgarh. More than 3 lakh individual enclosures have been developed in the land adjacent to the houses of the villagers. Along with this, about 4429 community enclosures made in Gauthans are providing income as well as nutritional security to the farmers through the production of fruits, greens and vegetables. Through this scheme, people are being encouraged to become economically self-sufficient by developing enclosures in villages and settlements.




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## 2 District Hospitals & 1 Community Health Centre were Awarded | Chhattisgarh | 20 Jul 2023

**Why in News?**

According to the information given by the Chhattisgarh Public Relations Department on July 19, 2023, the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has awarded various quality certificates to Jagdalpur District Hospital, Balrampur District Hospital and Kartala Community Health Center of Korba district located in remote areas of the state for providing excellent health services and better treatment to the patients.

### **Key Points:**

- Government of India has issued Quality Certificate to Bastar District Hospital under National Quality Assurance Standard, LaQshya and MusQan programme. Balrampur District Hospital and Kartla Community Health Center have been certified under NQS and LaQshya programs.
  - Government hospitals located in remote forests getting certificates under the National Quality Assurance Standard, LaQshya and MusQan program is an indication that quality health facilities are reaching all areas in the state.
  - It is known that between March and June this year, the team of the Union Health Ministry had inspected these three hospitals and tested the quality of services available to the patients. The team also took feedback from the patients in this regard.
  - After the evaluation of Bastar District Hospital, the Ministry of Health has provided quality certificates to 12 departments under the target program for NQS, labour room and maternity OT services and under the SMILE program for pediatric and SNCU.
  - Seven departments of Kartla Community Health Center have also been issued Quality Certificates by the Government of India under the target program for NQS and Labour Room & Maternity OT.
  - It is worth mentioning that the services and satisfaction level of the hospital are tested on various parameters by a team of experts prior to certification under National Quality Assurance Standards, LaQshya and MusQan programme. These include parameters such as services available, patients' rights, inputs, support services, clinical services, infection control, quality management and outcomes. Only hospitals that meet these stringent standards are issued quality certificates by the Union Health Ministry.
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## **More than 8 lakh people Out of Poverty Line in Uttarakhand in 5 years | Uttarakhand | 20 Jul 2023**

### **Why in News?**

On July 17, 2023, The Multidimensional Poverty Index report of NITI Aayog, released in New Delhi, revealed that Uttarakhand's multidimensional poverty has decreased by 8 percent during the 5 years of the National Family Health Survey of 2015-16 and 2019-21.

### **Key Points:**

- In this way, according to the population of 2011 census, 815,247 people have come out of the poverty line in Uttarakhand.
- It is known that NITI Aayog has prepared this report through a comparative analysis of two National Family Health Surveys (NFHS).
- As per the report, the number of people living in multidimensional poverty in Uttarakhand has dropped from 17.67 percent to 9.67 percent between 2015-16 and 2019-21. In this way, a total decline of 8 percent has been registered.
- According to the report, the multidimensional poverty of rural areas of Uttarakhand decreased by 11.03 percent. In 2015-16, 21.87 percent were poor, which decreased to 10.84 in 2019-21.
- There is less poverty in the urban areas of the state than in the villages. Between 2015-16 and 2019, multidimensional poverty in cities fell from 9.89 percent to 7 percent.
- Improving nutrition, schooling, sanitation, access to cooking fuel, electricity, housing, assets, bank

accounts, child and maternal mortality, and health services have played a significant role in reducing poverty.

- Maximum 16.18 percent of people came out of the poverty line in Almora district. Uttarkashi in second place saw 14.74 percent people come out of poverty. Champawat district with a decline of 12.82 percent stood at the third place, Bageshwar district at the fourth place with a decline of 12.49 percent.
- Apart from these, 11.72 percent in Udham Singh Nagar district, 11.60 percent in Tehri Garhwal, 9.96 percent in Chamoli, 8.77 percent in Rudraprayag, 8.41 percent in Haridwar, 7.48 percent in Pithoragarh, 3.86 percent in Dehradun, 3.31 percent in Nainital and 3.01 percent in Pauri Garhwal district poor were decreased.

