



Rajasthan Prakrit Language and Literature Academy will be formed | Rajasthan | 09 Aug 2023

Why in News?

On August 8, 2023, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot approved the proposal to set up the Rajasthan Prakrit Language and Literature Academy.

Key Points:

- Rajasthan Prakrit Language and Sahitya Academy will work for the publication of folk literature of Jainism including the restoration & preservation of archaeological heritage and temples of Jain community.
- The Academy will undertake several works for the restoration, preservation and promotion of Prakrit and Jain language literature, including preparing a directory of high-quality texts, manuscripts, literature corpus, vocabulary and texts, translating Prakrit language into Indian languages.
- Apart from these, literary conferences, seminars, symposiums, poet conferences, lecture series, camps, exhibitions and all publicity related activities are organized, honouring litterateurs for their outstanding works, etc.
- The Academy will establish libraries, reading rooms and center's of study and discussion, formulate plans for the upliftment of Prakrit language and literature and carry forward the objectives of the Academy.
- The Academy will have four officers including president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary. They will be appointed by the state government.
- Along with this, there will be a general meeting of the academy, in which the above four officers including the Department of Art, Literature, Culture and Archeology, Department of College Education, Department of School Education (Primary / Secondary), Deputy Government Secretary / Joint Government Secretary of Rajasthan Oriental Vidya Pratishthan Jodhpur /Commissioner/Director or his representative.
- Apart from these, there will be 6 Prakrit language litterateurs nominated by the state government, 3 representatives nominated by the state government of reputed institutions working for the promotion and development of Prakrit language and 7 persons nominated by the General Assembly.
- It will be headquartered in Jaipur or Rajasthan Prachya Vidya Pratishthan Jodhpur.
- The administrative department of the Academy will be the Department of Art, Literature, Culture and Archaeology and the Principal Secretary of Government or his representative (Joint Government Secretary / Deputy Government Secretary level officer) will act as an official member in the Academy till the Constitution/ Rules of the Academy are framed.

Water Resources Department Received ET Government Digi-Tech

Award 2023 | Rajasthan | 09 Aug 2023

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The Water Resources Department of Rajasthan was awarded the ET Government Digitech Award 2023 in the category of Digital Initiatives at the three-day Economic Times Government Digitech Conclave & Awards 2023 being held in Goa on August 8, 2023.

Key Points:

- Dr. Subodh Agarwal, Additional Chief Secretary, Water Resources and IGP received the award at the function.
- During the program, the Additional Chief Secretary told about the innovations in information and technology happening in the department and the state.
- Rajasthan has received this award at the national level for outstanding use of digital technology in the field of water.
- It is worth mentioning that the Water Informatics Centre run by the Department of Water Resources, Government of Rajasthan has received this award in the category of 'Digital Initiative in Making Climate/Disaster Resistant States/Cities'.
- This award is one of the prestigious national level e-Governance Awards, which has been instituted with the objective of recognizing and recognizing the digital experiments & innovations being done in the field of E-Governance.

