



Tribal Students of Madhya Pradesh Stood Second by Winning 23 Competitions in the National Cultural Festival. | Madhya Pradesh | 09 Oct 2023

Why In News?

On October 7, 2023, tribal students of Madhya Pradesh participated in Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) in Dehradun. Got second position in the fourth National Cultural Festival by performing best in 23 competitions.

Key Points:

- The students of Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) have secured overall second position in the country. Uttarakhand became the overall champion by winning just one competition more than Madhya Pradesh.
- 80 students of Madhya Pradesh participated in 28 different competitions in this event, out of which they stood first in 10 out of 23 competitions, second in 07 and third in 06.
- More than 2200 students from 22 states of the country participated in the four-day event.

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Chief Minister Flagged off the Mobile Deendayal Rasoī Kendra | Madhya Pradesh | 09 Oct 2023

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On October 7, 2023, Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan flagged off the Deendayal Rasoī Kendra running from Smart Park.

Key Points:

- These mobile centers will go to the places in Bhopal and other cities and provide full meals to workers and other needy people for five rupees, where these people work. Mobile centers will be operated in other cities of the state also.
- There are two main objectives of starting this scheme. One is that poor people can get food at subsidized rates, second is that migrant workers and other needy citizens can get the facility of a full meal near their workplace.
- Earlier the centers operated at one place only. With this system, such laborers who come from villages to cities to earn their living will be able to get fresh food at their place of work without spending much money and time.
- In these centers, food is distributed from 10 am to 3 pm at the rate of Rs 5 per plate. The state government has made arrangements to provide a grant of Rs 10 per person under this scheme.
- It is noteworthy that this scheme was started in Madhya Pradesh on February 7, 2017 with operation at 56 places including district headquarters and 6 major religious places. Presently the scheme is being operated at 166 locations.
- Under this scheme, 225 lakh food thalis have been distributed in the state.
- 25 mobile kitchen centers have been started in the state. The cost of a mobile center is Rs 25 lakh. It will also have modern equipment for food preparation and keeping hot food.
- Cities with a population of more than 10 lakh in the state, where mobile centers have been started, include 3 mobile kitchen centers in Bhopal, 4 in Indore and two each in Jabalpur and Gwalior. Operation of one mobile kitchen center each has been started in the remaining 12 municipal corporations and two industrial towns, Pithampur and Mandideep.
- Soon, there is a plan to start such kitchen centers in 68 urban bodies with a population of more than 20 thousand.



National Kishore Kumar and National Lata Mangeshkar Awards for the year 2022 | Madhya Pradesh | 09 Oct 2023

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On October 6, 2023, the Culture Department of Madhya Pradesh announced the National Kishore Kumar Award and National Lata Mangeshkar Award for the year 2022.

Key Points:

- For the year 2022, National Kishore Kumar Award will be given to famous actor Dharmendra and the National Lata Mangeshkar Award will be given to music director Uttam Singh.
- The award amount of national and state awards given by the Culture Department has been doubled from the year 2022. Now, in the National Lata Mangeshkar Award and National Kishore Kumar Award, a prize money of Rs 5 lakh, plaque and shawl-shriphal will be given.
- It is noteworthy that the National Lata Mangeshkar Award is also given on rotation basis in the field of playback singing and music direction. This honor for the year 2022 was to be given for music direction.
- Famous film actor Dharmendra has been selected for the National Kishore Kumar Award. The National Kishore Kumar Award for the year 2022 was to be given in the field of film acting. This honor is given one by one in the fields of acting, screenplay, songwriting and direction.
- Renowned music director and renowned violinist Uttam Singh has also worked as a music arranger, programmer and recordist for many Bollywood films.

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