



Door-To-Door Garbage Collection will be Done by EV in the State | Madhya Pradesh | 24 Nov 2023

Why In News?

- According to information received from the media on November 23, 2023, garbage will be collected from homes in the urban bodies of Madhya Pradesh through e-vehicles. Vehicles running on diesel and CNG will be discontinued. The Urban Directorate has prepared a proposal in this regard.

Key Points:

- It is noteworthy that in 413 urban bodies of Madhya Pradesh, garbage is being collected from door to door using vehicles running on diesel and CNG. Now these vehicles will be converted into e-vehicles.
 - Under the proposal, now only e-vehicles will be purchased for garbage collection in urban bodies. This will not only reduce air pollution but will also reduce the excessive expenditure on fuel. It will also help in reducing greenhouse gas emissions.
 - The Urban Bodies Department will run a pilot project on e-vehicles with the help of the Central Government. For this, initially 250 e-vehicles will be purchased. These vehicles will be identified in a city and operated there under a pilot project. For this, other facilities including charging stations will also be established in those cities.
 - More than 6 thousand vehicles are used to collect garbage in 413 urban bodies of the state. Currently, fuel for each vehicle costs Rs 30 lakh in the entire state. This amount is around Rs 9 crore in a month. Using e-vehicles will save a huge amount of money spent on fuel.
 - The department is also considering converting old and condemned vehicles in urban bodies into e-vehicles through retrofitting. Currently, small vehicles are lying broken in many urban bodies. These vehicles will be converted into e-vehicles. Which will be used in door-to-door garbage collection.
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Indiathon Haryana 2023 | Haryana | 24 Nov 2023

Why In News?

- On November 21, 2023, Dr. Vivek Aggarwal, MD, Haryana Skill Development Mission informed that Haryana Skill Development Mission will promote entrepreneurship and startup among the students of ITIs, HSDM training centres, polytechnic colleges and other educational institutions of Haryana as well as among the general public. Ideathon Haryana 2023 has been launched to promote ideas.

Key Points:

- Dr. Vivek Aggarwal said that for this, interested candidates can register till December 1 and the last date for submission of ideas has been fixed as December 15, 2023. After this, prizes will be announced for the winners.
- Only those with valid family identity card ID can participate in this competition. This is a special online tech event in which prize money of more than Rs 4 lakh will be awarded to 21 winners from Haryana.
- Under this program which runs continuously for a month, the youth of Haryana are being encouraged to come together. This allows candidates to use their creativity and skills to find innovative solutions, address global challenges and develop prototypes or solutions to real-world problems.
- He said that participants can present their ideas in 12 categories of the competition. These include agriculture, affordable and clean energy, robotics and space, quality education, emerging technology, healthtech, cleantech, mobility, craft and sustainability, clean water and sanitation, consumer and enterprise technology and good health and wellness.
- Participants can register for the event as individuals or teams and must submit their ideas with a pitch deck of no more than 5 slides and a 2-minute video pitch.

Digital Certificate After Uploading Your Selfie After Voting | Rajasthan | 24 Nov 2023

Why In News?

- On November 22, 2023, Chief Electoral Officer of Rajasthan Praveen Gupta said that a digital certificate will be issued to the voter who uploads the selfie after voting on the website of CEO Rajasthan on the voting day.

Key Points:

- It may be noted that with the aim of encouraging voters to vote 100 percent in the Rajasthan Assembly General Election - 2023, the Election Department has taken the initiative to issue digital certificates to voters.
- Chief Electoral Officer Praveen Gupta said that in view of the Assembly General Elections 2023 to be held in the state on November 25, selfie points have been made at polling stations to motivate voters to vote.
- He informed that a digital certificate will be issued when voters take a selfie from the selfie points installed at the polling stations and upload it on the portal by clicking on the link "Upload your Selfie and Download Digital Certificate" displayed on the website of the Chief Electoral Officer <https://ceorajasthan.nic.in/>.
- on the other link "**Link to Download e-Pledge Certificate**" on the website of CEO Rajasthan , district wise links of all the districts of the state have been displayed. By clicking on the name of the concerned district, the e-pledge certificate can be downloaded from the portal of that district.