

Healthy Food Street 'Prasadam' at Ujjain | Madhya Pradesh | 10 Jan 2024

Why in News?

Recently, Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Mohan Yadav inaugurated the **country's first healthy and hygienic food street, 'Prasadam', that will serve traditional healthy food and delicacies made** of <u>coarse grains</u> at <u>Mahakal Lok in Ujjain.</u>

Key Points

- Prasadam will have 17 shops that will offer dishes made from rajgira, sanwa, kuttu, ragi, dal-baffle and other famous traditional dishes of the state, built at a cost of Rs 175 lakh.
- The food street will be fully operational from the first week of February, 2024 and junk foods and plastic are prohibited in the premises.
- The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) will give food handling training to vendors while the Food Safety on Wheels vehicle will come once a week to inspect the food and train vendors.
 - 100 healthy and hygienic street food hubs will come up at different locations in the country.
- The Chief Minister also launched 'Manhit' App focused on mental health. Mental health screening app "Manhit" developed by the Mental Health Unit of National Health Mission Madhya Pradesh.
 - It is **mainly divided into three sections:** Mental health self-assessment, awareness materials/videos and contact with mental health facilities.

Coarse Grains

- Coarse grains are traditionally grown in resource poor agro-climatic regions of the country. They are also called nutri-grains.
 - Agro-climatic zone is a land unit in terms of major climates suitable for a certain range of crops and cultivars.
- **Examples of Coarse grains** are Sorghum, pearl millet, maize, barley, finger millet and several small millets such as kodo millet, little millet, foxtail millet, proso millet and barnyard millet.
- Coarse cereals producing states include Karnataka, Rajasthan, Puducherry, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh etc.

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