

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 coarse grains at Mahakal Lok in Ujjain.

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 <u>Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI)</u> 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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