



State-level meeting of Narcotics Coordination Mechanism

Why in News?

On 9 May 2023, under the chairmanship of Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan, a state-level meeting of the Narcotics Coordination Mechanism was held in ministry to make Madhya Pradesh drug-free.

Key Points:

- It was informed in the meeting that the state has been declared first in the country and Datia district as the best district in the country by the social justice department of the central government in the 'Drug-free India campaign'.
- It is known that in 2022 in Madhya Pradesh, the action was taken by registering 4740 crimes under the NDPS Act and by arresting 5673 accused.
- In this meeting, the Chief Minister instructed that the people involved in the drug business are the most dangerous and dangerous criminals, and strict action should be taken against them. The property of such persons should be identified and confiscated.
- Use the latest technology to control drugs and their business. Intelligence systems should be activated & strengthened and best practices & innovations released in other states should be implemented in the state.
- To make the youth aware, run a mass awareness campaign in the state on a wide scale. Special vigilance should be exercised in schools, colleges and slum areas.
- The youth should be administered an oath not to take drugs, for this, activities should be conducted in schools and colleges at the beginning of the next academic session.
- Drug de-addiction centers should be operated in the state as per the requirement. It is necessary to conduct continuous activities for control of drug-related activities, de-addiction and public awareness against drugs.
- District-level committees of the Narcotics Coordination Mechanism should meet every month and information about the action taken by them should be placed before the state-level committee.
- Courts should be constituted immediately in the districts of the state where NDPS courts are not constituted.

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