



## Chief Minister Inaugurated 4318 Balwadis in the Second Phase of balwadi Yojana

### Why In News?

- On June 26, 2023, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel launched 4318 Balwadis in the second phase of the Balwadi Scheme. In the first phase, 5173 Balwadis were opened in the state.

### Key Points:

- It is known that on the occasion of Teachers' Day on September 5, 2022, Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel launched the 'Balwadi Yojana' in the state to develop the ability of children to learn and understand sports as per the new education policy.
- The scheme was launched by Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel at the Chief Minister's residence office with the theme of 'Jabo Balwadi Badbo Shiksha Ki Gaadi'.
- The kindergarten scheme has been started by the School Education Department for children in the age group of five to six years.
- Through the 'Balwadi Scheme', the child is encouraged to learn, and they are prepared for the school environment. In addition to Balwadi helpers in every kindergarten for children, an assistant teacher at the primary school concerned is also posted and for this, an additional honorarium of Rs 500 per month is also provided to the assistant teacher.
- In the first phase of the 'Balwadi Scheme', 5173 Balwadis of the state were converted into Balwadis, through which 68 thousand 54 students out of 3 lakh 23 thousand 624 students of 5-6 years of the state benefited in the academic year 2022-23.
- Children's material 'Bal Vatika' has been constructed for the operation of kindergarten. The kindergarten is operated 2 hours before the lunch break on the school premises.



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