

## Action Plan to Make Champawat Model District | Uttarakhand | 17 Jun 2024

## Why in News?

Recently, Uttarakhand CM Pushkar Singh Dhami reviewed the **action plan** and ongoing works to make **Champawat district an ideal district at the Secretariat.** 

• Champawat district is being taken as a model district to make Uttarakhand an ideal state.

## **Key Points**

- Champawat has diverse geographical conditions including plains, terai, bhabar, and mountainous areas.
- The Chief Minister urged officials to swiftly implement the action plan for Adarsh Janpad
   Champawat, emphasizing the importance of advancing both development and heritage.
  - He also instructed officials to coordinate development work with ecological and environmental concerns. Preservation of natural heritage should be integrated into development efforts.
  - Champawat district offers numerous opportunities for religious, spiritual, and adventure tourism.
- It is important to create three to four-day travel circuits to accommodate the needs of devotees and tourists visiting the district.
  - <u>Purnagiri temple</u> attracts a large number of devotees, so it is crucial to make necessary arrangements to ensure their convenience.
- An action plan is being developed to promote <u>tourism</u>, <u>agriculture</u>, <u>horticulture</u>, <u>healthcare</u>, <u>education</u>, <u>milk</u>, and related products in Champawat district. The goal is to make Champawat an ideal state, with plans in place until 2030.
- Efforts are being made to ensure that every eligible person in the Champawat district benefits from **public welfare schemes of the Central and State Government.**
- Special attention is given to exploring possibilities in solar energy. Additionally, there is a focus
  on addressing the increasing migration from rural to urban areas by giving special attention to
  town planning.

## **Purnagiri Temple**

- Purnagiri is also known as Punyagiri. This temple is situated near the <u>Sharda River. Purnagiri</u> temple is also well known for its miracles.
- Maa Purnagiri Temple is situated at an altitude of about 3000 meters on the top of Annapurna Chhoti in the mountainous region of Tanakpur in Champawat district of Uttarakhand.
- The temple is considered a **Shaktipeeth** and is **one of the 108 Siddhapeeths**. It is **believed** that the navel of Sati Mata had fallen at this place.