

## Kanya Shiksha Pravesh Utsav

## Why in News?

Recently, the government launched a nation-wide campaign called **Kanya Shiksha Pravesh Utsav** on the eve of the **International Women's Day (8<sup>th</sup> March).** 

■ The aim of the campaign is to bring back four lakh out-of-school adolescent girls in the 11-14 years age group into the education system.

## What are the Key Points of the Campaign?

- Aim: The project aims to work on a complete system for out-of-school girls by building on existing schemes and programmes such as <a href="Schemes for Adolescent Girls">Schemes for Adolescent Girls</a> (SAG), <a href="BetiBachaoBetiPadhao">BetiBachaoBetiPadhao</a> (BBBP), and <a href="Mational Education Policy">National Education Policy</a> (NEP).
- Implementing Agency: The campaign is being steered by the Ministry of Women And Child
   Development in partnership with the Ministry of Education.
- Implementation: The campaign focuses on convergence and coordination between ministries, departments and states.
  - The campaign **will be implemented as part of the BBBP project**, with the primary beneficiaries being over 4,00,000 out-of-school adolescent girls.
  - Over 400 districts across all states will be funded under the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Scheme for grassroots level outreach and awareness generation to sensitise communities and families to enrol adolescent girls in schools.
  - Further, funding from Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan, and Anganwadi workers (AWWs)
     will be further incentivised for counseling and referring out of school adolescent girls.
- Data to be Collected: It strives to collect data on out-of-school girls, based on their visits to anganwadi centres for nutrition, nutrition education and skilling.
- **Significance:** Bringing out-of-school girls back to the education system has been the target since the **Right to Education Act** was enacted (2009).
- Need: The need has arisen because the Scheme For Adolescent Girls (SAG), which initially took
  care of out-of-school girls, was getting less traction.

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