

Madhya Pradesh to Implement CAA as Centre Approves

Why in News?

According to the Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister, **the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA)**, **2019** will be implemented in the state as and when the Centre signals.

Key Points

- The CM, also said that the policies of both the Central and Madhya Pradesh governments align completely. He emphasized their full readiness to implement the CAA as soon as directed by the Centre.
- The Phase 4 voting for eight seats in Madhya Pradesh Lok Sabha Election 2024 will take place on 13th May 2024.
 - Madhya Pradesh will see voting for Dewas, Ujjain, Mandsour, Ratlam, Dhar, Indore, Khargone, Khandwa.

Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA), 2019

- The CAA provides citizenship on the basis of religion to six undocumented non-Muslim communities (Hindus, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains, Parsis and Christians) from Pakistan, Afghanistan and Bangladesh who entered India on or before 31st December, 2014.
- It exempts the members of the six communities from any criminal case under the Foreigners
 Act, 1946 and the Passport Act, 1920.
 - The two Acts specify punishment for entering the country illegally and staying here on expired visas and permits.

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