

Samarth Vriddh SEWA Ashram

Why in News?

Under the **Samarth Vriddh SEWA Ashram Scheme 2024,** the district administration is preparing to establish an **old-age home** in Gurgaon.

Key Points

- This initiative marks the inauguration of the first **government-operated old-age home**, and proposals are being welcomed from <u>Non-governmental Organizations (NGOs)</u>, trusts, societies, and corporations as part of their <u>Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)</u> efforts.
- The initiative aims to provide a comfortable and safe environment for the elderly who require assistance and care.
- The old-age home will offer various facilities and services to ensure the well-being of its residents, such as nutritious meals, medical care, recreational activities, and social interaction opportunities.
- To access the scheme's benefits, individuals must possess the Parivar Pehchan Patra (PPP).
- The scheme categorizes beneficiaries into two groups: one includes those earning less than Rs 2 lakh per year, while the other comprises individuals earning over Rs 2 lakh annually but facing abandonment or lack of care.
 - Those falling under the first category will receive complimentary accommodation, while
 those earning above Rs 2 lakh will be enrolled in the 'Pay and stay' program, with fees
 determined by local authorities.

Parivar Pehchan Patra (PPP) Scheme

- The PPP scheme was formally launched in July 2019 to achieve Haryana government's vision for 'paperless' and 'faceless' delivery of schemes, services and benefits offered by the state government.
 - Under this, each family is considered a single unit and gets an 8-digit unique identification number, called family ID.
 - Family IDs are also linked to independent schemes like scholarships, subsidies and pensions, so as to ensure consistency and reliability.
 - It also enables automatic selection of beneficiaries of various schemes, subsidies and pensions.
- The primary objective of Parivar Pehchan Patra (PPP) is to create authentic, verified and reliable data of all families in Haryana.

Samarth Vriddh SEWA Ashram Scheme, 2024

- This scheme was launched in 2024, by the Haryana government.
- The main objective of the Scheme is to improve the quality of life of Senior Citizens who are residents of the State by providing the following amenities:
 - To provide a **secure and comfortable living space for the senior citizens,** ensuring their physical and emotional well-being.
 - To **promote a sense of independence and autonomy** by assisting with daily activities such as bathing, grooming, and medication management.

- To **provide medical care and nursing support** for those with chronic illnesses or disabilities.
- To **offer recreational activities, social events, and companionship** to prevent social isolation and promote mental health.
- To **help the senior citizens learn new skill**s and guide them towards success in their fields of endeavour, instilling a sense of self-confidence and self-reliance.

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