

## Chief Minister Participated in 'Mirror Now Summit-Chhattisgarh Path to Progress'

## Why In News?

On September 20, 2023, Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel participated in the program 'Mirror Now Summit-Chhattisgarh Path to Progress' organized by Times Group in a private hotel in the capital Raipur and spoke on the implementation of government schemes and positive results for the development of Chhattisgarh.

## **Key Points:**

- Addressing the program, Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel said that more than half of the country's population are farmers and more than 75 percent of the people in Chhattisgarh are involved in farming. We have made farming a profitable business and have worked to give them fair prices for their produce.
- He said that our priority has not only been focused on agriculture, but parallel to this we have done
  effective work towards social and economic empowerment of the people living in forests.
- Chief Minister Baghel, while speaking on the changes brought about in the lives of farmers and cattle herders by 'Godhan Nyay Yojana', said that before implementing it, a long study was done at the government level and only after that people were connected to it.
- Till now cow dung worth Rs 265 crore has been purchased and vermicompost worth about Rs 300 crore has been prepared. Also, out of 10 thousand 200 Gothans, 6500 Gothans have become self-reliant.
- He said that many allied activities are being conducted for livelihood in Gothan and more than 2 lakh women of more than 13 thousand self-help groups are getting employment.
- The Chief Minister said that the extent of Naxal affected areas has reduced and developmental works have been promoted in these areas. Now 67 types of forest produce are being purchased in the forest areas. Value addition to forest products has increased profits. The country's largest millet plant has been established in Chhattisgarh and it is also being purchased at support price.

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