



# Indira Gandhi National Tribal University

## Why in News?

On July 5, 2022, in the presence of Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel, an MoU was signed between the Livelihood Business Training Center of the Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Amarkantak and the Government of Chhattisgarh at the Circuit House of Gaurela-Pendra-Marwahi district.

## Key Points

- As per the MoU, a community center or skill development center will be set up by The Indira Gandhi National Tribal University Amarkantak at Gaurela-Pendra-Marwahi. For this, 3 hectares of land has been allotted by the State Government at village Lalpur in the district.
- Prof. Prakash Mani Tripathi, Vice Chancellor, Indira Gandhi National Tribal University Amarkantak, said the area is rich in rare medicinal species. At the same time, the residents here are knowledgeable about plants and rare animals and medicines. If they work together with the university, not only will this area develop, but the welfare of the entire human race.
- Diploma and degree programmes will be conducted by the Centre set up by the University, which will include various employment oriented e-skill courses in line with the National Skill Qualification Framework and as per the guidelines. Also, in collaboration with this center, the service of market linkage and credit linkage will be provided to the candidates who wish to establish self-employment.
- The objective is to work towards tribal upgradation by mastering various disciplines to make women, villagers and youth economically self-reliant by providing them with skill development and employment oriented, vocational education to women, villagers and youth of self-help groups set up under the National Rural Livelihood Mission in the district.
- Regional tribes and farmers will be trained in various trades by the Integrated Training Centre of Livelihood Business Incubation (LBI). The Centre's Integrated Training Centre will provide training to tribal communities and farmers in various trades.
- Various products from regional products - Kodo Kutki, Honey etc. will also be prepared and branded by the Centre and fair price will be provided to the farmers, which will increase the income of the farmer of the region and the products of Chhattisgarh will get recognition at the national and international level.
- The youth of this region will get self-employment opportunities by being proficient in skill development, there will also be opportunities to pursue higher education. At the same time, they will be freed from going to big cities to get higher education.
- The MoU will give an opportunity to the students studying in this center to do research. It will help in integrating the regional tribal community into the mainstream, enriching and self-reliant educationally and economically.