

'Vandan' Scheme for Development of Historical-Religious Places

Why In News?

On October 10, 2023, the Cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath approved the 'Vandan' scheme for the development of Cultural, Mythological, Historical and Religious places located in urban bodies.

Key Points:

- Urban Development Minister A.K. Sharma said that under the scheme, other basic facilities including lighting, drinking water, toilets, cleanliness, link roads and benches will be developed at these sites.
- The committee formed under the chairmanship of the District Magistrate will select 2-2 such sites every year. Under this scheme, the work of connectivity, resting place, shed, drinking water arrangement, lighting, painting, interlocking, circumambulation path, construction of ghats etc. will be done in coordination with the Tourism Department.
- In this scheme, a provision of Rs 50 crore has been made in the financial year 2023-24. Apart from
 this, these places can also be developed with the budget of the tourism department, CSR item, MPMLA fund and municipal department.

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