

## **Additional Budget for Nirbhaya Fund**

## Why in discussion?

On December 19, 2022, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot approved a provision for additional budget of Rs 60 crore in the Nirbhaya Fund for 45 POCSO courts running in the state for the safety of women.

## **Key Points**

- The state government is very sensitive about the safety of women in the state and necessary steps are being taken continuously in the state regarding women's safety. In this sequence, additional budget provision has been approved in the Nirbhaya Fund.
- It is noteworthy that under the National Mission (Fast Track Special Courts) Nirbhaya Fund, there are 45 POCSO courts operating in the state, out of which 40 percent is funded by the state government.
- For this fund, the Gehlot government has approved an additional budget provision of Rs 40.27 crore in state fund and Rs 19.73 crore in central share, so that the employees/officers posted in these POCSO courts will get uninterrupted withdrawal of the next month's salary.

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