



Trade Bodies Urge Rajasthan Government to Make Changes in Investment Policies

Why in News?

Recently, trade bodies in Rajasthan requested the state to change policies like the **Rajasthan Investment Promotion Scheme (RIPS)** and **Mukhyamantri Laghu Udyog Protsahan Yojana (MLUPY)** to make the state investor-friendly.

Key Points

- In the RIPS policy, investors get subsidies on **state goods and services tax (SGST)**, electricity fee, land tax, stamp duty, etc.
- The MLUPY scheme provides concessional bank loans to facilitate establishment of enterprises in the state and create employment opportunities.
- A delegation of **Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (Assocham)** met Rajasthan's principal secretary, industries & commerce.
 - In this it is pointed out that interest benefits under RIPS were **available on term loans but not on working capital loans**.
 - The delegation requested for **industry-wide awareness programs** about the schemes.
 - It also requested that the **warehousing sector be covered under the preview** of industries.

Rajasthan Investment Promotion Scheme (RIPS)

- To promote rapid, sustainable and balanced industrial development in the state, 'Rajasthan Investment Promotion Scheme-2019' was implemented from **17th December, 2019**.
- In this, **75% recharge of 7 years SGST**, electricity tax stamp duty is also being recharged for new investment in manufacturing and service sector industries.
 - Along with this, concessions like 100% in market fee are being given.

Mukhyamantri Laghu Udyog Protsahan Yojana (MLUPY)

- This scheme has been launched with the objective of **providing subsidized loans through Financial institutions** to facilitate the establishment of enterprises in the state and to **provide new employment opportunities to all sections of society**.
- Under the scheme, loans will be provided for manufacturing, service and business enterprises through financial institutions like ([Nationalized Commercial Bank](#), **Private Sector Scheduled Commercial Bank**, [Scheduled Small Finance Bank](#), [Regional Rural Bank](#), **Rajasthan Financial Corporation**, **SIDBI** and [Urban Cooperative Banks](#)).

