

## **CREDA Signed MoU with International Organization NRDC.**

## Why In News?

On February 23, 2023, the Chhattisgarh State Renewable Energy Development Agency (CREDA) signed an agreement (MoU) between the Global Head of US-based NRDC and Administrative Staff College of India (ASCI) in Delhi.

## **Key points**

- CREDA has entered into an MoU with ASCI to share technology related to energy efficiency and cool roof in the buildings constructed in the state and to build efficiency in this field of the concerned departments, institutes, technical persons, real estate companies etc. of the state.
- Chief Executive Officer Alok Katiyar has signed the agreement on behalf of the Chhattisgarh State Renewable Energy Development Agency (CREDA). Under this, technical assistance and advice will be given to improve and increase the speed of energy efficiency in the buildings of Chhattisgarh, for which no funds will have to be provided.
- For this purpose, activities like workshop, seminar, training, visit of subject experts, etc. will be organized by NRDC. NRDC will work to implement Energy Efficiency Building Code (ECBC) and Cool Roof Program in Chhattisgarh and provide technical facilities and demonstrations.
- Energy efficient commercial buildings will be constructed in the state under Chhattisgarh ECBC (CGECBC). For this purpose, for the design and construction of energy efficient buildings complying with the CGECBC code and the approval process for building construction, as well as third party verification of the compliance of the Chhattisgarh ECBC during construction and after construction. By imparting training to assessor units, this capacity can be created in the state itself.
- Administrative Staff College of India (ASCI) located in Hyderabad, which has done a great job of capacity building in the field of energy efficient buildings in Telangana and other states of the country. With their cooperation, this capacity building will be possible in Chhattisgarh as well. With this, the technical staff available in the state itself can be trained. In the coming time, this will create new possibilities of employment in the state.
- The Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) is a United States-based non-profit international environmental advocacy group headquartered in New York. The organization, founded in 1970, has more than three million members, including nationwide online activities and nearly 700 lawyers, scientists and other policy experts.
- NRDC is an international organization engaged in the field of climate change on the issues of environment, natural resources and energy conservation.

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