



Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana

Why in News

- On August 31, 2021, the Council of Ministers of Madhya Pradesh declared the **Scheduled Caste Welfare Department as the nodal department** to conduct the '**Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana**'.

Key Points

- In the year 2020-21, **117 new villages** have been selected by the Government of India under the **Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana**. The Scheduled Castes members of the selected villages will be directly benefited under the scheme.
- The cabinet has approved the continuation of the Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana in the years 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20.
- It is noteworthy that in the 'Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana', on the basis of the **2011 census** by the Government of India, such villages with **more than 50 percent Scheduled Caste population** are selected, whose **population is 500 or more**.
- The amount is released by the Government of India for the inter-flooring of infrastructure works in the **Gram Vikas Yojana**. Through convergence of other development works, there is a provision to declare the village as a model village by the concerned department for overall development of the village.

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