

## **Operation Samanta**

## Why in News?

On April 5, 2022, Chairman of the State Scheduled Castes Commission of Rajasthan, Khiladi Lal Bairwa, in the meeting of district level officers in Bundi district, directed to work on the campaign level in other matters of the Scheduled Castes on the lines of 'Operation Samanta'.

## **Key Points**

- Operation Samanta, which started from January 24, is an innovation of Bundi Police, which is now being implemented across the state.
- Under this, the beat constables at the police station have to mark such villages in their area, where till now Dalit grooms are not sitting on the mare or there has been an unpleasant incident while sitting on the mare or they have been removed from the mare.
- After marking, equality committees are formed in such villages so that the brides of Dalit community can be taken out on the mare without any controversy and untoward incident.
- It is noteworthy that despite the Right to Equality (Article 14-18) provided under Part 3 of the Constitution, SC/ST communities are subjected to various types of discrimination including untouchability. In such a situation, this step of Rajasthan Police is highly commendable.

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