



Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Home Stay Development Scheme in Uttarakhand

Why in News?

In celebration of [World Tourism Day](#) (27th September 2024), the Uttarakhand Government is taking significant steps to enhance its tourism infrastructure.

Key Points

- The state government has announced **plans to increase the number of rooms available** under the **Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Home Stay Yojana**, a scheme aimed at promoting affordable and authentic lodging options for tourists.
- **Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Home Stay Development Scheme:**
 - This scheme is designed to attract tourists to both popular and remote tourist destinations, enhance local accommodation facilities, create employment opportunities for local residents, and provide an additional source of income for homeowners.
 - **Main Objectives:**
 - The primary goal of the scheme is to offer clean and affordable home stay facilities to both national and international tourists.
 - This facility also provides travelers with a unique opportunity to learn about **Uttarakhand's culture** and enjoy the state's delicious cuisine.
 - **Subsidies and Support:**
 - **For Hilly Areas:** The government provides a capital subsidy of **33% or Rs.10 lakh**, whichever is lower, and an interest subsidy of 50% of the interest or **Rs. 1.50 lakh per year**, whichever is lower, for the **first five years** of loan repayment.
 - **For Plains Areas:** The capital subsidy is **25% or Rs. 7.50 lakh**, whichever is lower, and the interest subsidy is **50% of the interest or Rs. 1 lakh per year**, whichever is lower, for the first five years of loan repayment.
 - This scheme aims to make Uttarakhand a more attractive destination by enhancing the quality and availability of lodging while supporting the local economy.

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