

Unified Portal of Gobardhan

Why in News

Recently, a **Unified Portal of Gobardhan** has been launched to **ensure smooth implementation** of Biogas schemes/initiatives and their real time tracking.

Key Points

Objectives:

 Ensure close coordination with various Departments/Ministries for smooth implementation of Biogas schemes/initiatives and its real time tracking.

Coordinated by:

 The Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation under the <u>Swachh Bharat Mission</u> – <u>Grameen (SBMG)</u>.

Benefits:

- **Economy:** Strengthen the rural economy through a convergent approach for various Biogas projects/models and initiatives.
- ODF Plus Goals: The ODF Plus goals (solid waste management in villages, along with the collection and transportation of biodegradable and non-biodegradable waste) outlined in the Phase 2 of SBMG will depend on the performance of Gobardhan scheme to a great extent.
- Synchronisation with other Schemes: The portal will further help in achieving objectives of <u>SATAT (Sustainable Alternative towards Affordable Transportation)</u> aimed at setting up of Compressed Biogas (CBG) production plants and ensuring market linkage for use of biofuel in automotive fuels.
- **Better Environment & Public Health:** Rural India generates enormous quantities of biowaste which can be efficiently utilized and lead to better environment and public health.
- Employment Generation & Savings: Bio-waste processing especially cattle dung into Biogas & organic manure leads to generation of opportunities for employment and household savings.

GOBAR-DHAN Scheme

Launched By:

• The ministry of Jal Shakti has launched the GOBAR (Galvanizing Organic Bio-Agro Resources) - DHAN scheme.

Implementation:

• The scheme is being implemented as part of the Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin).

Components:

 The Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) comprises two main components for creating clean villages - creating open defecation free (ODF) villages and managing solid and

liquid waste in villages.

Aim:

- Keeping villages clean, increasing the income of rural households, and generation of energy from cattle waste.
- The scheme also aims at creating new rural livelihood opportunities and enhancing income for farmers and other rural people.

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