



## State-level programme on the theme 'This Is One Earth'

### Why in News?

- On June 5, 2022, Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan addressed a state-level programme on the theme 'This is one earth' at Kushabhau Thakre Auditorium on World Environment Day. All the districts were connected virtually to this programme.

### Key Points

- Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister said that all government offices have been instructed to reduce the consumption of electricity by 10 per cent, solar panels will be installed in government offices where solar energy can be used.
- At the same time, the Chief Minister felicitated the institutions and citizens working for environment conservation and also released the book 'Conservation of Catchment of River Narmada- Plantation Campaign, 2022' of the concerned Forest Department, the scheme of tree plantation on the banks of river Narmada.
- It is worth mentioning that World Environment Day is being celebrated as Tree Plantation Resolution Day. The Chief Minister said amarkantak will be declared as a reserve forest. Eco-sensitive and suitable species of plants will be planted according to the surroundings in place of eucalyptus trees planted around the origin of Narmada adverse to the local environment.
- The Chief Minister made five resolutions to the citizens of the state on Environment Day, which include being active for tree plantation, saving electricity for energy conservation, pooling of vehicles to ensure frugal use of vehicles, adoption of public transport and observance of triple R i.e. reduce, reuse and recycle in line with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's mantra.
- The Chief Minister appealed to the general public to plant trees in every village, panchayat, development block, district headquarters on the day of Hariyali Amavasya to protect the environment.
- It is known that so far 16 lakh 50 thousand saplings have been planted by the people of the state in the ankur campaign launched for tree plantation in the state.
- The event included Bhopal Railway Station, Hydelberg Cement Damoh, Ipcalaboratories Ratlam, Neelam Welfare Society Shahdol, Police Training Centre, Indore, for the year 2020-21 under the Annual Environment Awards Scheme for outstanding work in the field of environment protection. Kamal Patel of Village Nawadpura of Nagar Parishad Piplia Mandi Mandsaur and Village Nawadapura of Dhar were felicitated.
- In order to conserve the river Narmada, the forest department has set a target of planting one crore 32 lakh saplings in a total area of 18 thousand 406 hectares to convert the damaged forests into good forests in 33 forest divisions of 24 districts.