

## **Governor Inaugurates Sickle Cell Testing Mobile Van**

## Why In News?

On October 2, 2023, Madhya Pradesh Governor Mangubhai Patel launched a sickle cell testing mobile van at Raj Bhavan on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti.

## **Key Points:**

- The mobile testing van has been provided by the state unit of Red Cross to All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bhopal.
- The Governor said that mobile testing vans are an effective initiative towards bringing science to the homes of tribal communities for sickle cell control efforts in tribal areas.
- He said that the operation of the mobile unit will make the treatment of sickle cell victims and rehabilitation efforts of the carrier more effective in the remote areas.
- The mobile testing van will be equipped with all the tests required for sickle cell disease treatment and rehabilitation. The vans will be operated in tribal dominated areas.
- It is noteworthy that in the inauguration ceremony of sickle cell ward at AIIMS recently, the need for a vehicle for sickle cell disease treatment and rehabilitation was mentioned by the managers of the Indian Institute of Medical Sciences.



