



## Lack of Development in Jharkhand's Khunti

### Why in News?

In Jharkhand's **Khunti, Singhbhum and Lohardaga**, amidst **Lok Sabha elections 2024**, many Adivasi voters are unhappy about the **lack of development and basic amenities**.

### Key Points

- In the **birthplace of Adivasi icon Birsa Munda, Ulihatu** - a village in the Khunti Lok Sabha constituency of Jharkhand there is a dissatisfaction among the residents.
  - Due to lack of development and basic amenities, there is seemingly a lack of political enthusiasm in the area and there is no open support for any party.
- In recent years, there has been **visible development in the village**, including new infrastructure such as tarred roads, schools, and water tanks.
  - The Prime Minister visited and launched the **Rs 24,000 crore Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) Development Mission** from here.
  - The Central government honored **Birsa Munda's birth anniversary** as '[Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas](#)'.

### Birsa Munda



- He was **born on 15<sup>th</sup> November 1875**. He belonged to the **Munda tribe**.
- He spearheaded an **Indian tribal religious Millenarian movement during British rule** in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century across the **tribal belt of modern-day Jharkhand and Bihar**.

### **Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) Development Mission**

- The PM-PVTG Development Mission program aims to improve the socio-economic status of **Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs)**.
  - For this, availability of Rs 24000 Crore for Scheduled Tribes has been envisaged in the Union Budget.
- The mission includes **providing basic facilities like safe housing**, clean drinking water and sanitation, education, health and nutrition, better access to roads in settlements for backward scheduled tribes.

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