

Uttar Pradesh to Install 100 Telemetric Weather Stations to Monitor Drought

Why in News?

Uttar Pradesh government announced plans to establish **Telemetric Weather Stations (TWS)** to monitor drought situation in the **100 most drought-prone tehsils** in the State, including all tehsils in the **seven districts of Bundelkhand region.**

Key Points

- The initiative aims to combat the persistent drought conditions in Uttar Pradesh, after knowing the temperature, solar radiation, wind speed etc of the various locations in the state through TWS.
 - It will be strategically placed at a distance of 7-10 kilometres from existing Automatic Weather Stations (AWS) and Automatic Rain-Gauge Stations (ARG), in spaces measuring 10 x 10 metres.
- Hamirpur, Banda, Lalitpur, Jalaun, Jhansi, Mahoba and Chitrakoot districts comprise the Bundelkhand region which faces challenges of drought every year.
- **Automatic Weather Station (AWS):** The automated type of conventional weather station and it is used to monitor weather in remote areas or when manpower is insufficient.
- Automatic Rain-Gauge Stations (ARG): Defined as a "meteorological station at which observations are made and transmitted automatically.

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