



Hemant Soren to Take Oath as Jharkhand CM

Why in News?

Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM) leader **Hemant Soren** will take oath as the [new Chief Minister of Jharkhand](#) on 28th November 2024.

Key Points

- **Governor's Decision:**
 - The **Governor** accepted Hemant Soren's resignation and appointed him as the nominated Chief Minister, asking him to continue until the new government is formed.
- **Governor's Role (Now LG)**
 - Under [Article 164](#), the Governor plays a key role in inviting the leader of the majority party or coalition to form the government.
 - **The governor ensures the formation of a government** that enjoys majority support in the legislature.
- **Oath of Office**
 - As per **Article 164(3)**, the **Governor** of a state must **administer the oaths of office and secrecy to a Minister** before they take office.
 - The oath signifies allegiance to the Constitution and the discharge of duties in accordance with the law.

Appointment of Chief Minister

- **Article 164** of the Constitution envisages that the **Chief Minister shall be appointed by the governor.**
 - A **leader of the party that has got the majority share of votes in the assembly elections**, is appointed as the Chief Minister of the state.
 - The **Governor is the nominal executive authority, but real executive authority rests with the Chief Minister.**
 - However, the **discretionary powers enjoyed by the governor reduces to some extent the power, authority, influence, prestige and role of the Chief Minister in the state administration.**
- **A person who is not a member of the state legislature can be appointed as Chief Minister for six months**, within which time, he should be elected to the state legislature, failing which he ceases to be the Chief Minister.