

Digital Crop Survey

Why in News?

Madhya Pradesh Chief minister Mohan Yadav has declared the initiation of the <u>Digital Crop Survey project</u> across the state, commencing from the <u>kharif season</u>.

This program will allow farmers to view their girdawari (regular harvest inspection)
using advanced technology, ensuring quick insurance payments for crop damage and
expediting the process of acquiring kisan credit cards.

Key Points

- The Digital Crop Survey initiative will involve young individuals in rural areas, utilizing advanced technology like geo-fencing.
 - This efficient method will simplify the process of capturing crop images in the field.
 - Every picture captured by the surveyor will have geographical coordinates attached, ensuring essential field visits and providing photographic proof of the crop conditions.
 - This setup enables farmers to check their land records and address any concerns they may have.
- By incorporating cutting-edge technology, the project seeks to encourage community engagement, ensuring widespread participation from the villagers.
 - Satellite imaging will provide valuable information on potential crops, allowing for a comparative assessment.
 - Any inconsistencies discovered will lead to necessary actions being taken by government officials.

Kisan Credit Cards

- The scheme was **introduced in 1998 for providing adequate and timely credit support from the banking system,** under a <u>single window</u> with flexible and simplified procedures to the farmers for their cultivation and other needs like purchase of agriculture inputs such as seeds, fertilizers, pesticides etc. and draw cash for their production needs.
- The scheme was further extended for the investment credit requirement of farmers viz. allied and non-farm activities in the year 2004.
- In the <u>Budget-2018-19</u>, government announced the extension of the facility of Kisan Credit Card (KCC) to <u>fisheries</u> and <u>animal husbandry</u> farmers to help them to meet their working capital needs.
- Implementing Agencies:
 - Commercial Banks
 - Regional Rural Banks (RRBs)
 - Small Finance Banks
 - Cooperatives

Geofencing

 Geofencing means "security by obscurity" measure, which allows those running websites to evade the most direct forms of cyber attacks from abroad by being fully inaccessible. Geofencing makes search engines less effective at indexing searched pages and turning them up in results.

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