



## New Gambling Act will be implemented in the state

### Why in News?

On 19 April 2023, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan told media representatives that the state government has decided to enact the 'Madhya Pradesh Gambling Act 2023' instead of the present Gambling Act.

### Key Points

- The Chief Minister said that online gambling is a big problem. Presently the Gambling Act, 1876 is applicable in the state. There is no provision against online gambling.
- Adequate provisions will be included in the new Act against online gambling so that criminals indulging in these activities can be punished.
- Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan said that a special cell will be set up under the chairmanship of an Additional Director General of Police level officer at the police headquarters for effective action against chit-fund companies and monitoring the work of returning money to the affected people.

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