



# Vishwakarma Workers Welfare Scheme

## Why in News?

On July 12, 2023, Rajasthan's Industries and Commerce Department Minister Shakuntala Rawat said that preparations have been started for its implementation after the notification of 'Vishwakarma Kamgar Kalyan Yojana' was issued by the Industries and Commerce Department.

## Key Points:

- It is known that the announcement regarding this scheme was made in the budget presented by Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot for the year 2023-24.
- 'Vishwakarma Kamgar Kalyan Yojana' has been started in the state to provide self-employment to women, workers, and different classes such as handicrafts, hairstyles, pottery artisans and nomadic class people.
- Under this scheme, one lakh people will get the assistance of five thousand rupees to buy necessary kits, equipment, sewing machines etc. The scheme will create new opportunities for self-employment in the state.
- Under this scheme, Rajasthan Crafts and Mati Arts Board, Rajasthan State Kesh Arts Board, Rajasthan State Denotified Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Welfare Board, Rajivika and Office Commissioner Industries and Commerce through handicrafts, hairstyles, artisans and nomadic persons and Rajivika, women of NULM, selected workers of labour department will be provided modern necessary kits equipment, sewing machines etc. for the purpose of starting their own employment.
- Under the 'Vishwakarma Kamgar Kalyan Yojana', identity card holders issued by various boards and departments will be eligible.
- For the successful implementation of the scheme, a target has been fixed by various boards and departments to benefit the applicants according to the fixed number of targets. Applicants from minimum 18 years to maximum 40 years can get the benefit of this scheme.

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