



# Bima Sakhi Yojana

## Why in News?

Recently, the Prime Minister launched the '[Bima Sakhi Yojana](#)' of [Life Insurance Corporation](#) in Panipat, Haryana. During the occasion, he also **laid the foundation stone** of the Main campus of **Maharana Pratap Horticultural University, Karnal**.

## Key Points

- **Bima Sakhi Yojana:**
  - It is designed for **women aged 18-70 years**, focusing on **financial literacy and insurance awareness**.
  - It includes training and a stipend for three years, with opportunities to become LIC agents or Development Officers and create employment for 2 lakh women.
  - It will strengthen the mission of "[Insurance for All](#)," promoting **social security and eradicating poverty**.
- **Maharana Pratap Horticulture University:**
  - It is spread over 495 acres, featuring research stations, a College of Horticulture, and five schools.
  - It aims to **diversify crops and promote world-class horticulture technologies**.
- **During the event the PM also highlighted:**
  - [Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao campaign](#) launched from Panipat, contributed to saving the lives of thousands of daughters in the last decade.
  - **Highlighted various initiatives for women, including:**
    - Training women as [Bank Sakhis](#), [Insurance Sakhis](#), and [Krishi Sakhis](#).
    - Increasing maternity leave to 26 weeks.
    - Introducing programs like [Jan Dhan Yojana](#) for **financial inclusion**, with 30 crore women benefitting.
  - He emphasized [Self Help Groups \(SHGs\)](#) as a cornerstone of rural economic transformation, with over 10 crore women associated.
  - Highlighted achievements like the [Lakhpati Didi Campaign](#) which has enabled 1.15 crore women to earn over Rs 1 lakh annually.
  - He highlighted the transformation brought by Jan Dhan Yojana, ensuring direct transfer of benefits from schemes like:
    - [Kisan Kalyan Nidhi](#).
    - [Sukanya Samridhi Yojana](#).
    - [Funds for housing and small businesses](#).

## Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao Scheme

- **About:**
  - The Scheme was **launched by the Prime Minister on January 22, 2015** to address the declining [Child Sex Ratio \(CSR\)](#) and related issues of women's empowerment over a life-cycle continuum.
  - It is a **Tri-ministerial effort** of the Ministries of Women and Child Development (MW&CD), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (**MH&FW**), and Ministry of Education.
- **Main Objectives:**

- Prevention of gender-biased sex-selective elimination.
- Ensuring survival & protection of the girl child.
- Ensuring education and participation of the girl child.
- Protecting rights of Girl children.

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