

Review of Mega Infrastructure Projects | Rajasthan | 19 Feb 2025 Why in News?

The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) reviewed the key issues affecting mega infrastructure projects in the states of **Gujarat and Rajasthan.**

Key Points

- The review focused on expediting resolution of the issue through inter-ministerial and state coordination facilitated by the Project Monitoring Group (PMG).
- The major topics are:
 - DPIIT reviewed 21 issues related to 14 critical infrastructure projects.
 - Significant emphasis was given to the transmission projects of <u>Khavda Renewable</u> <u>Energy Park in Gujarat</u>, which is expected to generate 81 billion units of electricity annually.
 - Reliance Jio's 5G/4G expansion project was also reviewed, which offers benefits such as faster speeds, lower latency and wider coverage.

Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT)

- About:
 - DPIIT was established in the year 1995 and the Department of Industrial Development was merged into it in the year 2000.
 - It came into existence in its current form on 27 January 2019, when the erstwhile Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion was renamed as the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT).
- Objective:
 - The Department is responsible for formulation and implementation of promotional and developmental measures for the growth of the industrial sector keeping in view the national priorities and socio-economic objectives.
 - It is also responsible for facilitating and increasing foreign direct investment (FDI) inflows into the country.
 - It functions under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India.

All India State Water Ministers Conference | Rajasthan | 19 Feb 2025

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The 2nd All India State Water Ministers Conference was held in **Udaipur**, **Rajasthan** on 18th and 19th February 2025.

Key Points

About the conference:

- It was organized under the aegis of the Ministry of Water Power .
- This conference is an important step towards adopting effective water management measures, addressing the complexities of the water sector and realizing the vision of water security.

Subject:

• The theme of the conference was <u>"India@2047 - Water Secure Nation"</u>, which is in line with the Prime Minister's vision of a developed, water-secure India.

Objective:

 Its main objective is to strengthen collaboration with states and stakeholder ministries while working towards a shared vision for sustainable and integrated water resources management.

Major Focused Topics:

- Strengthening water governance
- Augmentation of water storage infrastructure and supply
- Water distribution services with a focus on potable water
- Water distribution services focusing on irrigation and other uses
- Demand management and water use efficiency
- Integrated River and Coastal Management

Jal Jeevan Mission

Introduction:

- Launched in the year 2019, this mission envisages supply of 55 litres of water per capita per day to every rural household through functional household tap connection (FHTC) by the year 2024.
- Jal Jeevan Mission aims to become a mass movement for drinking water, making it everyone's priority.
- It comes under the Ministry of Jal Shakti.

• Goal:

- The mission aims to ensure the functionality of existing water supply systems and water connections, water quality monitoring and testing as well as sustainable agriculture.
- It ensures conjunctive use of conserved water. It also ensures augmentation
 of drinking water source, drinking water supply system, grey water treatment
 and reuse.

Features:

- Jal Jeevan Mission focuses on **integrated demand and supply side management** of water at the local level.
- Creation of local infrastructure for source sustainability measures with essential elements such as rainwater harvesting, groundwater recharge and management of domestic wastewater for reuse are taken up in convergence with other Government programmes/schemes.
- The mission is **based on a community approach to water and includes extensive information,** education and communication as key components of the mission.