

# Haryana Review

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## DATTATREYA IS NEW HARYANA GOVERNOR

Senior BJP leader from Telangana Mr Bandaru Dattatreya, currently serving as Governor of Himachal Pradesh, has been appointed the Governor of Haryana. In a press communiqué issued on July 6, the President's Secretariat said that 'Shri Bandaru Dattatreya, Governor of Himachal Pradesh is transferred and appointed as Governor of Haryana.' He replaces Mr Satyadev Narayan Arya, who has been appointed the Governor of Tripura. Mr Dattatreya is a senior BJP leader from Telangana. He was also a member of Prime Minister Mr Narendra Modi's first Council of Union Ministers.

## Now, Dial 112 if you need help in Haryana

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From now onwards Dial 112 will be functional for emergency responses in Haryana. The new helpline would be applicable for all kinds of emergency services like 100 (Police), 101 (Fire), and 108 (Ambulance), which have been integrated into the unified toll-free number 112. This round the clock multilingual facility – Hindi, English, Punjabi and Haryanvi – has been made functional.

Haryana Chief Minister Mr Manohar Lal while launching this new single integrated emergency number Haryana 112 for police, fire and ambulance emergencies at Panchkula on Monday, said that from now onwards any person in distress will need to call only 112 which will immediately direct his call to concerned department ensuring the required help within a time span of 15-20 minutes only. Home and Health Minister Mr Anil Vij and Vidhan Sabha Speaker Mr Gian Chand Gupta were also present during the programme.

Expressing happiness over the launch of the system, the Chief Minister said that the new Emergency Response Support System (ERSS) is certainly a historic step taken towards empowering the citizens of Haryana with round-the-clock Police assistance. He said that en-

suring the safety of every citizen is the utmost priority of the state government and taking the state government's mantra of 5S — Shiksha, Swasthya, Suraksha, Swablman and Swavlambhan – forward, Dial 112 - Emergency Response Support System (ERSS) has been launched.



The Chief Minister, Mr Manohar Lal, launching Haryana Dial 112 service, in Panchkula. The Health Minister, Mr Anil Vij, and the Vidhan Sabha Speaker, Mr Gian Chand Gupta, are also seen in the picture

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## Excise boom busts Covid gloom

By RAJEEV RANJAN ROY

Every government crafts new policies. But policies that produce results leave a mark on the governance landscape. A case in point is Haryana's excise policy the success of which is being reflected in the revenue of the state.

In the first quarter of 2021-22 (April to June, 2021) revenue collection from excise aggregated Rs 1751.04 crore against Rs 1370.86 during the corresponding period last year, registering an increase of about 28 per cent.

During June, 2021 the excise wing of the department collected revenue of Rs 1,004.70 crore whereas against Rs 586.32 crore during the corresponding period last year. Thus, excise revenue has increased by 71.36 per cent in the month of June over the previous year.

The Excise Policy for 2020-21 has been so designed as to ensure transparency in the allotment of liquor vents through renewal or e-tendering. Licences in 1,004 zones of retail liquor vents have been renewed in 2021-22. The department has achieved revenue of Rs 3,201.46 crore from the renewal of these zones against the license fee of Rs 2,910 crore in the previous year.

For the allotment of the remaining 159 zones, e-tendering has already started. Till now, 12 rounds through e-tendering have been successfully completed. Total 1,123 zones have been allotted so far, from which a license fee of Rs 3601 crore shall be collected in the year 2021-22 for these zones. Only 40 zones are now pending in the state, for which bids were invited on July, 5, 2021.

It is worth mentioning that L-1BF licenses for wholesale trade of Imported Foreign Liquor (IFL) for 2021-22 have been granted by way of inviting online applications. A total of 14 applicants have been shortlisted as eligible applicants for grant of L-1BF after receiving their applications through the online departmental portal.

Cracking the whip on defaulters, a total of 1,152 cases of violation of rules were registered in 2020-21 and a fine of Rs 186.96 crore was imposed, out of which Rs 60.08 crore has been recovered. Penalty of Rs 63,15,17,600 has been imposed under Section 72-E of the Punjab Excise Haryana Amendment Act, 2020; recovery of Rs 6,56,59,853 has been made.

During 2021-22, the government gave a rebate of about 8 per cent in the fees for bar-licence. This year bar licence holders will have to pay only 11 months' fee. CCTV cameras are being installed in distilleries, breweries and bottling plants to check the sale of liquor without paying tax and prevent the loss of revenue. And to monitor all this, a control room is also being set up in the head office at Panchkula.

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By PARVEEN K MODI

### COVID EMERGENCY CREDIT SCHEME

Playing the enabler and facilitator, the Manohar Lal Government has launched the Haryana Covid Emergency Credit Scheme to make available adequate credit for industry to ramp up production of medicines, oxygen and other equipment vital for Covid-19 patients. A revolving fund of Rs 500 crore is being set up for the purpose.

Notified, the scheme has its roots in the realization that the demand for such items outstripped supply due to the surge in their demand during the Covid second wave. Even if the second wave is ebbing, the government does not want to take chances. Keen to discharge its welfare mandate, the Haryana Government feels the need to take immediate measures to address such shortages.

It will facilitate both existing and new entrepreneurs in increasing production of such essential

Covid-related products/services as oxygen, beds, ventilators etc to mitigate the crisis, or in setting up new notified essential facilities. Assistance will be provided to both under the scheme.

One wanting to avail himself of assistance under the scheme shall apply to any scheduled commercial bank. The bank will forward the application after due appraisal to the Finance Department, indicating the products/services intended to be provided under this facility.

It will also state the quantum of incremental production/services or new notified essential facilities for production/services as well as the term loan/working capital requirements proposed to be provided by the bank and the interest burden on the loan/working capital amount for one year.

After due appraisal, the scheme shall enable, if feasible, a buyback assurance for the incremental pro-

duction/services for a period of up to six months, extendable on a case to case basis, at a rate contract to be fixed by a designated price fixation committee for one year. The rate contract will be subject to the usual price fall clause as well as terms and conditions to be prescribed.

The facility will also cover the rate of interest charged by the bank for additional term loan/working capital raised by the applicant for this purpose for one year.

The Finance Department will administer the scheme and the revolving fund. The Health and Medical Education & Research Departments will notify the list of essential products/services as required from time to time. And the Industries and Commerce Department will coordinate with the product and service providers, identify potential entrepreneurs and ensure that adequate applications are made to the banks in this regard.

# HARYANA EXCELS IN JAL JEEVAN MISSION

## Tap water connections up 33 pc in 24 months

By RAJEEV RANJAN ROY

Notwithstanding the multitude of hiccups caused by two waves of Covid-19, Haryana has done exceedingly well under the Central Government's ambitious programme – Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM).

According to the Union Jal Shakti Ministry, there has been an increase of 33 per cent in tap water connections in the last 24 months in the state. Now 28.34 lakh or 91.32 per cent of rural homes in Haryana are getting tap water supply while 5,150 villages, 68 blocks and eight districts have already become 'Har Ghar Jal'. Eight more districts have more than 90 per cent houses with tap water supply.

This is no mean achievement, but a cause for celebration for the state and its people. Reasons are not too far to seek. Pure water means a big boost to people's overall health. Contaminated water and poor sanitation are linked to transmission of diseases such as cholera, diarrhoea, dysentery, Hepatitis A, typhoid, and polio.

Absent, inadequate, or inappropriately managed water and sanitation services expose individuals to preventable health risks. Inadequate management of urban, industrial, and agricultural wastewater means the drinking water of hundreds of millions of people is dangerously contaminated or chemically polluted.

### ECONOMIC EFFECT

There is a huge positive economic and social effect of pure drinking water on people's life which the



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Haryana Government under the dynamic leadership of the Chief Minister, Mr Manohar Lal, has been able to ensure by reaching piped drinking water to rural and urban households.

When water comes from improved and more accessible sources, people spend less time and effort in physically collecting it, meaning they can be productive in other ways. This can also result in greater personal safety by reducing the need to make long or risky journeys to collect water. Better water sources also mean less expenditure on health, as people are less likely to fall ill and incur medical costs, and are better able to remain economically productive.

"In Haryana, before the announcement of JJM, out of 31.03 lakh households, only 17.67 lakh or 57 per cent households had piped water connections. Under the JJM in 21 months, 10.24 lakh rural households have been provided tap water connections.

With 33 per cent increase in tap water connections, 28.34 lakh (91.32 per cent) rural homes in Haryana are getting tap water supply. 5,150 villages, 68 blocks and eight districts in the state have already become 'Har Ghar Jal' and eight more districts have more than 90 per cent houses with tap water supply.

## Portable water for every rural household the aim

The Prime Minister, Mr Narendra Modi, on August 15, 2019 announced Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) to provide safe piped drinking water to every rural household in the country by 2024. To transform the Prime Minister's vision that every household will have assured tap water supply by 2024, in the last 21 months, despite Covid-19 pandemic, repeated disruptions and lockdowns, 4.25 crore rural households have been provided tap water connections.

ready become 'Har Ghar Jal' and eight more districts have more than 90 per cent houses with tap water supply," said the Union Ministry of Jal Shakti in a statement early June.

The ministry further said in the statement that Haryana planned to provide tap water connections to 2.61 lakh households in 2021-22 and to remaining 1.48 lakh households in 2022-23.

It has been decided that in five north-western States and UTs -- Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission will be expedited and every rural household will be provided with tap water connections by 2022, instead of by 2024.

To enable these States/UTs to achieve this goal by 2022, the Union Minister of Jal Shakti, Mr Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, has approved Central allocation of Rs 8,216.25 crore for 2021-22. This is more than four times the allocation to these states/UTs in 2020-21. The Central Government has also assured full assistance to these states and UTs for making provision of tap water supply in every rural home.

## SEEKS RS 3,250 CR FROM CENTRE

To provide drinking water at the rate of 130 litres instead of 55 litres and sewerage facility in 130 villages coming under Mahagram scheme, Haryana has requested the Central Government to allocate an amount of Rs 3250 crore so that an amount of Rs 25 crore can be spent for each Mahagram in the State. Under the 'Nal Se Jal' scheme, eight districts of Haryana have been completely covered and soon Haryana will be the first state in the country to cover all the districts under this scheme.

Under 'Atal Bhujal Yojana', piezometers would be installed in 1669 villages of Haryana to record the level of groundwater and plans for better utilization of water would be prepared. Haryana has also proposed the Centre to set up a model water body in an area of 15 acres for grey water management in one of the villages -- Baland village of Rohtak district or Dubheta village of Sonapat district.

Under the 'Mera Pani Meri Virasat' scheme, this year a target of cultivating crops other than paddy in a total area of two lakh acres has been set. Last year, alternate crops having less water requirement were cultivated in an area of 94,000 acres last year and an incentive amount of Rs 7,000 per acre is given to farmers. The scheme intends to check the state's depleting water level.

## 11 districts hit the goal

- Bhiwani, Sonapat, Panipat, Panchkula, Ambala, Kurukshetra, Karnal, Rohtak, Kaithal, Faridabad and Gurugram have already been declared as 'Har Ghar Nal Se Jal districts' under the Jal Jeevan Mission
- Fully aligned with the Centre in providing functional household tap connection (FHTC) to every rural household of Haryana by November, 2022, the PHE Department is working with a wholesome approach to meet the goal.
- It is worth mentioning that all 22 district laboratories for water quality monitoring are accredited with the NABL.

## Highlights

- Central allocation of funds to Haryana under Jal Jeevan Mission has been increased to Rs 1,119.95 crore, more than four times of 2020-21.
- There has been an increase of 33 per cent in tap water connections in the last 24 months.
- Now 28.34 lakh or 91.32 per cent rural homes in Haryana are getting tap water supply, according to the Union Ministry of Jal Shakti.
- 5,150 villages, 68 blocks and eight districts in the state have already become 'Har Ghar Jal' and eight more districts have more than 90 per cent houses with tap water supply.

# Need to educate farmers on 3 bills: CM

By AJAY BHARDWAJ

In the wake of the ongoing protest by a group of farmers Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal undertook a new initiative and mooted the "educate farmers" mission in the state to dispel misgivings on the three Agriculture bills passed by the Centre last year.

An idea that can go a long way in transforming the narrative in agriculture is expected to take off in the state soon.

During interaction with representatives of farmers' organisations recently, the chief minister suggested that a group of 30-40 farmers, having factual knowledge about the

farm laws should be constituted to spread awareness in the entire farming community at the village level.

"Rather than agitating against the farm laws, every farmer should be well-versed with the benefits of these laws so that the designs of people, who have been spreading misleading information about the bills, are defeated", the chief minister said.

He also suggested that if needed, training camps for farmers be organised to help them get ample knowledge about the farm laws and spread awareness about them.

## FOCUS ON QUALITATIVE & QUANTITATIVE FARMING

The chief minister called upon

farmers to focus on doing qualitative and quantitative farming.

"Adopting qualitative and quantitative farming is the need of the hour and in view of the present circumstances, farmers would have to move ahead in the agriculture sector only by accepting the challenges. Also, if farmers wish to increase their income, then they have to move towards natural farming," said the chief minister adding that the three laws would certainly prove to be a major reform in the agriculture sector and would not only liberate the farmers in the real sense to sell their produce anywhere in the country but would also keep the MSP and the Mandi system intact.

## FARMERS' WELFARE UTMOST PRIORITY

The chief minister underlined his government's commitment to safeguarding the interest of farmers and the farming community. While recounting various steps the state government had taken to help farmers the chief minister underscored the importance of the 'Mera Pani Meri Virasat Yojana' which is make optimum use of underground water.

The Chief Minister said that focused schemes should be made to increase the income of farmers. He asked the officers of the Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Department to make small groups of progressive farmers and train

them and this sequence should be run continuously. This will bring a paradigm shift in the agriculture sector, he added.

He said that the focus has to be on how to develop other sources of increasing the income of farmers having small lands. Describing vertical farming as useful in this direction, he asked the officers to work more to spread awareness about the same.

Keeping this in mind, the 'Meri Fasal Mera Byora' scheme has been implemented to update the data of crops sown on every acre. Similarly, 'Mera Pani Meri Virasat' is being implemented with a focus on proper management of water, said the chief minister.



The Chief Minister, Mr Manohar Lal, meeting representatives of farmers' organisations at his residence, in Chandigarh

# FPOs boost to potato growers

By RAJEEV RANJAN ROY

In a major boost to the state government's ongoing efforts to enhance farmer's income and intensify crop diversification, Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) have proved a blessing for tomato growers. They are getting their produce timely supplied, bringing good prices and minimizing crop waste as well. Since May and June are crucial for tomato crop harvesting, FPOs have started supplying the produce to food processing companies.

According to an official spokesperson, three FPOs of Yamunanagar district -- Radour Farms Producer Company Ltd, Sadhaura Kisan Producer Company Ltd, and Sili Kalan Farms Producers Ltd have been supplied with more than 450 tonnes of tomatoes. This would not have been possible for the farmer at their own level. FPOs have made their task much easier.

The state government aims to set up more than 1000 FPOs. Some of these FPOs associated with tomato



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cultivation have played an important role in the journey of prosperity of farmers in the last two years. Giving detailed information, the spokesperson of the Horticulture Department said the months of May and June in Haryana are very crucial in terms of sale of tomato crop, because during these months the tomato crop is ready for harvest and there is every possibility of falling crop prices in the market thanks to bumper harvest.

Since the situation has got challenging in view of the Covid-19 pandemic, Haryana government, helped foster coordination between food processing companies and FPOs of the state with the help of Horticulture Department and Small Farmers' Agri-Business Consortium, Haryana, and arranged for the supply of 1000 tonnes of tomatoes. When tomato prices in the market are less than the prescribed price, in that case the state government compensates farmers for this difference of price under the Bhavantar Bharpai Yojana.

Agriculture sector plays a very important role in both economic de-

velopment and nation building. India is globally in the forefront of development of agriculture. The goal is to achieve doubling of exports by 2022. However, more than 86 per cent of farmers in the country are small and marginal. There is a need to facilitate our farmers with access to improved technology, credit, better input and more markets to incentivize them to produce better quality commodities.

- Aggregation of small, marginal and landless farmers into FPOs will help enhance economic strength and market linkages of farmers for enhancing their income.
- The Centre aims to form 10,000 FPOs with a clear strategy and committed resources.
- Financial assistance up to Rs 18 lakh per FPO for a period of three years will be provided.

# HARYANA GALLOPS INTO DIGITAL ROAD

## Enters m-Governance zone through new I-T gateway Jan Sahayak app



The Chief Minister, Mr Manohar Lal, launching the Jan Sahayak App. In the background, the Chief In-charge Secretary to Chief Minister, Mr D S Bhat, the Additional Minister Secretary to Chief Minister and Director General, Information, Public Relations and Language Department, Dr Anil Agrewal are also seen in the picture.

### In a nutshell

- Haryana shifts gear to e-Governance to m-Governance.
- Jan Sahayak Appa Sahayak mobile app is an initiative of Haryana Government to provide a single point of interface to citizens for accessing all government services, emergency helpline and other information.
- Jan Sahayak is a bilingual mobile app with a virtual gateway to access all sorts of G2C services.
- It offers numerous services like latest jobs, tenders, utility bill payments, press releases, upcoming events, calendar, Haryana Govt. directory etc.
- One can download the app and register himself/herself by entering his/her mobile number or Parivahan Panch Patra ID.
- Citizens can give his/her feedback and suggestions on the service delivery to the government through Jan Sahayak platform which shall be utilized by the concerned departments for betterment of the service delivery.

### Now, paperless water billing in Panchkula

Moving forward on the road to e-governance, the Chief Minister, Mr Manohar Lal, has launched paperless billing through SMS for Panchkula district which will enable the department to improve billing efficiency.

With the inauguration of this system about 33,000 consumers of Panchkula would be able to pay their bills digitally. It has been launched for water bill generation for Panchkula and will be scaled up across the state within a month.

The Chief Minister has asked officers concerned to conduct a survey of villages and identify areas where water pipes are to be laid and lanes are to be developed. It will help in drawing maps of the villages and laying of water pipes.

### CITIZENS CAN SHARE SUGGESTIONS

The mobile platform will enable the citizens to give their suggestions on the services provided by the government. These will be incorporated by the concerned departments to ensure best service delivery.

It may be recalled that last year, an ambitious programme 'Mera Panch-Patra Panch Patra' was launched under which mobile Parivahan Panch Patra cards are being made to enable families to enable them to get the benefits of all services and schemes.

Not that this is the end of the e-Road. Work is in progress to make more services available online.

# PPP, a passport to services & benefits of welfare schemes

By PARVEEN K MODI

Making living easy for the man in the street and delivery of citizen-centric services and benefits without the citizens having to go to any government office or making any application, it has in-built provision that benefits/services shall be delivered to one as soon as one becomes eligible for the same, as derived from the PPP data. A citizen can obtain services online and from anywhere.

Manohar Lal  
Chief Minister



Manohar Lal Khattar, Chief Minister of Haryana, is seen during a meeting.



Manoj Kumar, Director General of Information, Public Relations and Language Department, is seen during a meeting.

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### HOW PPP WORKS

Creating in the essence of a PPP database is the basic social unit of the citizen. Demographic and socio-economic details of each member and information on the family structure, is captured in PPP which remains core and socio-economic data which is duly verified and authenticated. It is being utilized by various law departments for delivery of welfare schemes and services.

The care data, common and unique form across all state schemes, is shared with scheme delivery portals through electronic validation and linkage. Scheme-specific data is being collected from citizens with consent by respective line departments. It is based on self-declaration. Family is the basic social unit in the state and providing a unique ID to this unit shall strengthen the bond that binds it.

The Citizens Resource Information Department (CRID) of Haryana Government implements the PPP. Additional Deputy Commissioners (ADCs) double up as District CRID Officers (DCRO) at the local level. Data is collected and updated on the PPP portal six different modes such as assisted data entry by computer operators registered with CRID and self-uploads by citizens. Data is collected at several locations close to the citizen such as Citizen Service Centres (CSC), Sanki Kendra, Consumer Operator Centre and at various camps held from time to time at different locations within the district. Hence, it will be apt to say that they control stakeholder of PPP is each family (and its members) residing in Haryana.

Since PPP spans a complete governance landscape, its stakeholders are spread across a wide canvas. They also consist of different departments' heads/representatives of the state government, its employees, computer operators (critical from the perspective of data collection at the local level), ADCs as the District CRID officers and their teams.

### THE ROAD AHEAD

So far, about 69 lakh families have been enrolled in PPP covering about 2.6 crore population of the state. Out of this, data for close to 52 lakh families has already been updated, and for about 17 lakh families data has been self-validated by the citizens. The process of verification of critical data such as date of birth, occupation, income etc. is in progress. Data verification is done electronically as well as on the basis of physical verification.

About 150 services, including schemes of Department of Social Justice and Mahila Mantri Parivar Samadhi Yojna (MMSY) have already been linked with PPP which is mandatory for an applicant applying for these.

Data from PPP would also be used for determining beneficiaries of the recently announced in the Budget speech 2021-22 of the Hon'ble CM, Haryana, Mahila Mantri Parivahan Yojna. The key objective of the scheme under which 30,000 families have already been identified, is right of the most (economically) underprivileged sectors of the society in Haryana. PPP database will also be the source of identification of the Antyodaya beneficiaries.

### In a nutshell

- Parivahan Panch Patra (PPP) is a flagship government programme aimed at fast tracking delivery of government schemes, subsidies, services and benefits to the people.
- PPP is linked with the Saral platform by various departments. It also makes use of PPP for service delivery.
- PPP is linked with the database of HRMS, Haryana Labour Welfare Board, Merit Fund, Merit Based Marriage Registration.
- The key outcomes of PPP include pro-active delivery of schemes, services, benefits and subsidies, and eliminate, if possible, or minimise at the least, submission of documents.
- Services, schemes, benefits and subsidies integrated with PPP empower its use as a unique family identifier.

# IMC awards for IT initiatives

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Haryana's Department of Information Technology, Electronics & Communications, (DITECH) has been awarded IMC Digital Technology Award 2020 for 'State Award for Citizen Centric IT Projects including e-SARAL portal, COVID-19 initiatives' under government category by IMC Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

An official spokesperson of the department said the award was held online and all applicants and winners were joined virtually. The award was presented by the head of Haryana Govt. Team, DITECH, on behalf of the department, Mr Manish Chandra.

Given by the IMC Chamber of Commerce and Industry, these awards are in line with the national awards set by the Prime Minister.

towards creating a Digital India, Atmanirbhar Bharat. The IMC recognises and honours those organisations and individuals who have contributed to making life easier by adopting technology. In addition, these awards also recognise the achievements of IT industry association and digital of organisations in various fields.

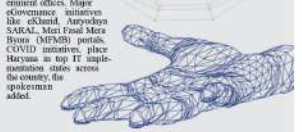
Haryana has been nominated for top eight citizen-centric implementations related during the COVID-19 lockdown period, including e-SARAL portal, COVID-19 initiatives, HealthY Haryana Mobile App, COVID-19 Sam Sevak Mobile App etc.

The spokesperson said the most productive of all government departments is the Department of Information Technology, Electronics & Communications, which had represented the state in eight out of which three were out-

standing. He added that all of these implementations will drive and support the customers, who are the citizens of the country.

He stated that all nominations submitted for the IMC Digital Technology Awards 2020 were accepted by the jury who were announced by their own nomination. He added that all nominations were categorized as excellent and timely implementations which have been the need of the hour.

The spokesperson said the IMC Group mentioned the state that the jury panel unanimously agreed to give State Award to Haryana instead of granting awards to individual projects for their overall productive approach towards innovative digital contributions by the benefit of citizens during the COVID-19 crisis. Haryana has been a pioneer state in implementing citizen-centric e-governance initiatives during





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# Making quality education accessible, affordable

By RAJEEV RANJAN ROY

**E**ducation transforms lives. It is at the heart of Haryana Government's mission to build a resilient economy, eradicate poverty in all forms and drive sustainable development in sync with Sabka Saath, Sabka Vishwas Aur Sabka Vikas. Fully aware of the fact that education is a human right for all and that access must be matched by quality, the state government under the visionary leadership of Chief Minister Mr Manohar Lal has adopted a multifaceted approach to cover all aspects of education, and is rigorously making efforts to achieve Sustainable Development Goal 4 – Quality Education To All – by 2030.

A number of measures have been taken since the beginning of the second innings of Chief Minister Mr Manohar Lal to strengthen the education systems and respond to contemporary challenges and needs through education with gender equality as an underlying principle.

From pre-school to higher education and beyond, the state government has adopted a wholesome approach to expand and improve the quality of education with a significant increase in ambition and investment to bring about the truly transformative change that SDGs envision.

Even in the recently released report of NITI Aayog – SDG India Index & Dashboard 2020-21: Partnerships in the decade of action – Haryana ranks among top six performing states – Kerala, Himachal Pradesh, Goa, Uttarakhand and Tamil Nadu by securing 64 points for its endeavours to achieve the goal of quality education.

It reinforces the government's vision to transform lives through edu-

cation, recognizing the important role of education as a main driver of inclusive and sustainable development.

In other words, the government is committed with a sense of urgency to a single, renewed education

agenda that is holistic, ambitious and aspirational, leaving no one behind and promoting lifelong learning opportunities for all and its corresponding targets.

As a landmark initiative, the

Haryana Government has opened 136 Sanskriti Model Schools. Earlier the state had 113 such schools, where special emphasis is being laid on English as the medium of instruction. The state is planning to have over 1,000 such schools across the state. It is a unique move. Similarly, 'Super-100' has added a new dimension to the state's efforts towards enabling and empowering students with quality coaching facilities. The result is amazing.

Twenty five students of 'Super-100' programme batch 2018-19 at Rewari and Panchkula were selected for IIT Advance, while 72 students cleared the National Eligibility Cum Entrance Test (NEET). Two more coaching centres under the Super-100 programme will guide students at Hisar and Karnal. The government is planning to introduce a similar facility for students, aspiring to appear in the National Defence Academy (NDA) examination.

A whole set of efforts are afoot in tune with the dynamics and goals of New Education Policy-2020, which the state government is determined to implement by 2025. The state government has set the target to achieve 32 per cent gross enrolment ratio (GER) for girls by 2025. Similarly, children will be equipped with various skills to enhance their employability for 1001 schools have been identified. Under the Credit Guarantee Scheme, the state is helping students of medical and technical courses to get education loans at 7.5 per cent interest rate, lowest in the country.

As per the latest AISHE national report, based on responses from 1,019 universities, 39,955 colleges and 9,599 stand-alone institutions, Haryana is among a few states like Kerala, Punjab, Chandigarh, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Delhi and Goa

## Higher education an area of thrust

Providing quality higher education to youth and to make them employable is a major thrust of the state government. Higher education system in the state has witnessed an impressive growth in recent years. This trend is all set to continue during the current financial year as well. The Department of Higher Education has taken various measures to expand and improve the capacity and quality in higher education. The vision of the state government is based on the guiding principle of access quality, equity and sustainability in higher education.

According to the latest Economic Survey Report, 15 new government colleges, namely GC Isharwal (Bhiwani), GC Mangali (Hisar), GC Agroha (Hisar), GC Chhatter (Jind), GC Ladana Chaku (Kaithal), GC Rajound (Kaithal), GC Firozpur Jhirka (Nuh), GC Bhaindoli (Palwal), SMMD GC (Panchkula), GC Morni (Panchkula), GC Ding Mandi (Sirsa), GC Goriwala (Sirsa), GC Bhainswal Kalan (Sonapat), and GC Baroda (Sonapat), GC Pratap Nagar (Yamunanagar) have been started. Out of 172 government colleges, 69 colleges are exclusively for girls. The government is committed to opening more government colleges exclusively for girls so as to ensure greater access to girls in higher education. There are 97 privately managed government aided colleges out of which 35 colleges are for girls.

As per the Economic Survey Report, the Department of Higher Education intends to create a gender sensitive environment in colleges and universities. The government has invested huge resources in creating an extensive infrastructure of the government owned and run degree colleges and State universities. At the same time, timely and proactive state interventions have encouraged the private sector to become the state's partners to spreading higher education among all citizens. In order to make higher education accessible in all corners of the state to all students the administrative approval for construction work of government colleges has been given.

## Highlights

- Admission in all government and government aided self financed colleges of the State is conducted online by the Department of Higher Education.
- As many as 153117 new admissions were undertaken in the academic session 2020-21.
- A database of teaching and non teaching staff of the government colleges has also been created and uploaded on the web portal.
- The state government is focused on increasing the placement of students studying in degree colleges.
- Emphasis has also been laid on promoting entrepreneurship among students.

to have more female teachers than male teachers. Out of 1503156 teachers for 2019-20, about 57.5 per cent are male teachers and 42.5 per cent are female teachers in the country. The lowest gender proportion is recorded in Bihar where female to male teachers' ratio is 1:4 which in percentage terms is 78.4 per cent for male and only 21.6 per cent for female teachers. Jharkhand comes close second with 69.5 per cent male teachers and 30.5 per cent female teachers. Uttar Pradesh has 31.9 per cent female teachers of the total teachers in the State.

# GETTING A BUZZ OUT OF SVAMITVA

By PARVEEN K MODI

*Ownership fills the owner with a sense of fulfilment and empowerment. Committed to empowering people, the Haryana Government, led by the Chief Minister, Mr Manohar Lal, keeps taking decisions to decentralize powers, strengthen institutions and empower the people. The Chief Minister is of the firm conviction that while empowered people strengthen democracy, strong institutions are the pillars its edifice rests on. Two such recent decisions have the potential to change the way people look at the government, unlock the value of land, and open up vast vistas of opportunities.*

*Falling under the common name Svamitva, these two path-breaking measures are bound to create brand equity for the Manohar Lal Government, and go down in history as memorable and remarkable. While one seeks to confer ownership rights on the villagers over land, the other seeks to give ownership rights to those having houses and shops of municipal bodies on lease or rental basis for the past 20 years. Interestingly, these speak for equity: while the former will bring ownership to some ruralites, the latter will benefit those in the urban areas.*

*Haryana Review has a close look at the two milestone measures to bring out their impact and import and make the readers wise on how these will benefit the people.*

## In a first, Haryana to give property rights to villagers

First state in the country to launch SVAMITVA Scheme, Haryana may well be the first to complete its implementation.

The scheme under which land in the villages is being measured scientifically with the help of drones to make an accurate assessment, seeks to confer ownership rights on the villagers. Ownership certificates will not only unlock value of the land but also open up vistas of new opportunities.

Disclosing this, Mr Sanjeev Kaushal, Haryana Additional Chief Secretary and Financial Commissioner, Revenue & Disaster Management and Consolidation Department, said a target had been set to ensure implementation of the SVAMITVA Scheme in the entire state in the next 90 days. With completion of the work, villages will be Lal Dora-free. Officers have been directed to complete the work of implementation of the scheme with full dedication.

"Haryana is the first state in the country to start implementation of this scheme. The Central Government, after considering its effectiveness, has implemented it all over the country. Now that the second wave of Covid-19 is receding and the daily positivity rate of Haryana has come down to 0.19 per cent, the officers should expedite the work and complete the scheme. I am hopeful that Haryana will be the first state to complete the scheme", Mr Kaushal said.

Soon, 10 drones would be procured by the Haryana Government so that the SVAMITVA Scheme could be completed within the stipulated time-frame. Mr Kaushal has directed the Deputy Commissioners to develop modern revenue records in each district. Every week a review will be done at the regional level regarding completion of this project. Meanwhile, officers of the Survey of India

have been directed to prepare a strip map of the area bordering Haryana with UP and Delhi so that disputes can be settled at the earliest.

With a view to lending legal sanctity and statutory backing to the SVAMITVA Scheme in 'Abadi Deh' (Lal Dora) of various revenue estates in the state, the Haryana Revenue and Disaster Management Department has constituted a committee for drafting necessary amendments and insertions in three different Acts. The initiative for providing statutory backing to the scheme was taken by the Deputy Chief Minister, Sh. Dushyant Singh Chautala during a review meeting held with Deputy Commissioners.

The committee which would be headed by Mr Ramesh Chander Bidhan, Director General, Development and Panchayats, the multi departments involving the Revenue, Development and Panchayats and Urban Local Bodies Department will propose draft amendments and insertions in the Punjab Common Lands (Regulations) Act 1961, the Haryana Municipal Act, 1973, and the Haryana Municipal Corporation Act, 1994 for providing legal framework to the scheme. It will submit its report within a fortnight. An order to this effect has been issued by Mr Sanjeev Kaushal.

Sh. Ashok Kumar Meena, Director, Urban Local Bodies, Sh. Aditya Dahya, DC, Jind, Ms. Amana Tasneem, Director, Land Records, Sh. Nishant Kumar Yadav, DC, Karnal, Lt. General (Retd.) Gitesh Kumar, Mission Director, HalSMP, Sh. Deepak Bansal, DD & SIO, NIC, Sh. M.L. Garg, Joint Director, Development and Panchayats (D&P), Sh. R.S. Sodi, DD, Legal, Sh. Uttam Dhalia, DD, D&P Department, and Sh. R.K. Garg, Revenue Consultant, FCR Office, will be members of the committee.

## Rights on ULB property: 16k in queue; portal set up

Major relief is on the way to those in Haryana owning houses and shops of municipal bodies on lease or rental basis for the past 20 years. After announcing ownership rights for all such owners, the Chief Minister, Mr Manohar Lal, launched Mukhyamantri Shehri Nikay SVAMITVA Yojana Portal [www.ulb.shops.ulbharyana.gov.in](http://www.ulb.shops.ulbharyana.gov.in) inviting applications from the eligible beneficiaries.

Since the decision taken by the state Cabinet was announced, data of as many as 16,000 applicants has become available with the Urban Local Bodies Department. With the process of inviting applications having begun on July 1, this number is likely to increase.

A weekly plan for staggering the applications has also been made under which the process of accepting applications would automatically be blocked after 1,000 applications. After taking the applications, objections would be invited within a month and once all the objections are rectified, the applicants would be called for submitting the required documents to get benefit of the scheme.

"The applicants would be able to see details of their applications on the individual dashboard designed for them. This would completely eradicate the manual registration process," said the Chief Minister, Mr Manohar Lal.

Under this scheme, if someone has constructed more than the floor or area of the allotted building of the municipality, he will have to deposit an additional amount that is Rs 1,000 as per the additional constructed area.

If the applicant is not an allottee or sub-leasee as per rules of the municipality but fulfills all the eligibility criteria of the policy, they will also have to pay a lump sum regular fee of Rs 30,000 in addition to the amount and tax to be paid as mentioned in the Policy.

The Haryana Government had framed a policy under which the tenant will have to pay less than the present collector rate to get the ownership right. If anyone has taken a shop, house on the municipal land either on rent, lease basis, Tehbazari or by paying a license fee for 20 years or more then all such occupiers would be given ownership right. But the occupier should have completed 20 years as of December 31, 2020.

A rebate of 20 per cent on the current collector rate would be given to such tenants as have been residing in the house or are running a shop for the past 20 years. Similarly, those who have an occupancy period of 50 years will get a rebate of up to 50 per cent. Besides, if an occupier has a period of more than 50 years, he will be given a maximum relaxation of 50 per cent only on the present collector rate.

The municipalities associated with the occupiers who are found eligible by the competent authority will issue a notice to the beneficiary asking them to pay the amount fixed after the rebate within a period of 15 days.

The beneficiary will have to deposit 25 per cent of the total fixed amount to the concerned municipality within a period of 15 days counted from issuance of the notice, while the remaining 75 per cent amount will have to be deposited within three months.

The Chief Minister said if the municipality has rented or leased any land building to one or more occupiers, the amount will have to be paid as per the fixed floor-wise formula.

If only one allottee has been allotted the constructed building, he will have to pay the base rate. If the municipality has constructed two floors and each floor is given to two different allottees, 60 per cent of the base rate for the ground floor and 40 per cent of the base rate for the first floor will have to be paid.

# Haryana villages go 'jagmag'

By AJAY BHARDWAJ

Availability of power is a big boon for any state be it for domestic, industrial or agriculture purposes. Haryana has made sure that there was no crisis whatsoever as far as availability and supply of power around the state is concerned.

In this direction, the state government's "Mhara Gaon, Jagmag Gaon" scheme has been spreading new light around the state to cover all villages and cities for round-the-clock supply of electricity.

So far, 5287 villages have been covered under it and recently 17 more

villages were added to the list, nine of them in Sonapat district, five in Rohtak district and one each village in Panipat, Kaithal and Jhajjar districts.

Broadly, 77 per cent of the total villages in Haryana and ten districts have been covered under the scheme that was launched by Chief Minister Manohar Lal in 2015 in Dayalpura village in Kurukshetra district.

With this, there is 24 hours power supply in 10 districts of the state, including Panchukula, Ambala, Kurukshetra, Yamunanagar, Karnal, Gurgaon, Faridabad, Sirsa, Rewari and Fatehabad.

Under this Scheme, the old power cables are replaced by new aerial bunch cables in the villages, while old and

malfunctioning meters are replaced, thereafter the villagers are requested to pay the outstanding electricity bills, as soon as the line loss of the rural feeders reduces, then the village is included in Mhara Gaon, Jagmag Gaon Scheme and new power infrastructure in the village is built along with a 24-hour uninterrupted power supply. Officials admit that the scheme has been successful due to the positive attitude of villagers and their commitment to timely submission of electricity bills.

Besides this scheme, efforts have been constantly made to check incidents of power theft. More than 230 teams of officials have been at job carrying out raids to detect power

theft as a result about 2600 cases were registered during the last one year making the state government earn Rs 536 crores as revenue.

The line losses have been reduced from 30.3 per cent to 17.17 per cent with the installation of efficient supply infrastructure.

The government has been lately engaged in shifting of dangerous supply lines passing over residential areas, schools and ponds. Officials said that 2539 such lines would be shifted at a cost of Rs 96 crores.

The state government has set a target to release about 7621 tube well connections by July 15, 2021, to farmers. So far about 9401 tube well

connections have been released.

According to officials, farmers who had applied for tube well connection before January 1, 2019, are being allotted power connections in a phased manner. A total number of 17022 tube well connections will be released in the first phase. Similarly, about 40,000 applicants will be covered under the second phase, following which a target has been set to provide tube well connections to them by June 30, 2022. Out of these 40,000 applicants, about 39571 applicants have been asked to get the estimate prepared and deposit the fees accordingly. Besides this, 19672 farmers have also deposited the estimated fee.



Even as the monsoon plays truant, farmers are busy transplanting paddy

PHOTOGRAPH BY VINAY MALIK

# Bound for Tokyo Olympics

 <b>ABHISHEK VERMA</b> SHOOTING	 <b>AMIT PANGHAL</b> BOXING	 <b>ANSHU</b> WRESTLING	 <b>BAJRANG</b> WRESTLING	 <b>DEEPAK PUNIA</b> WRESTLING	 <b>MANISH KAUSHIK</b> BOXING	 <b>MANU BHAKEER</b> SHOOTING	 <b>VIKAS KRISHAN</b> BOXING
 <b>MONIKA</b> HOCKEY	 <b>NAVJOT KAUR</b> HOCKEY	 <b>NAVNEET KAUR</b> HOCKEY	 <b>NEERAJ CHOPRA</b> ATHLETICS	 <b>NEHA</b> HOCKEY	 <b>NISHA</b> HOCKEY	 <b>POOJA RANI</b> BOXING	 <b>VINESH PHOGAT</b> WRESTLING
 <b>RAHUL</b> ATHLETICS	 <b>RANI</b> HOCKEY	 <b>RAVI KUMAR</b> WRESTLING	 <b>SANDEEP KUMAR</b> ATHLETICS	 <b>SANJEEV RAJPUT</b> SHOOTING	 <b>SAVITA</b> HOCKEY	 <b>SEEMA PUNIA</b> ATHLETICS	 <b>YASHASWINI SINGH DESWAL</b> SHOOTING
 <b>SEEMA</b> WRESTLING	 <b>SHARMILA</b> HOCKEY	 <b>SONAM</b> WRESTLING	 <b>SUMIT</b> HOCKEY	 <b>SUMIT</b> WRESTLING	 <b>SURENDER KUMAR</b> HOCKEY	 <b>UDITA</b> HOCKEY	<p><b>EDITORIAL TEAM</b></p> <p><b>STAFF WRITER</b> Shagun Kapoor</p> <p><b>LAYOUT &amp; DESIGN</b> Monika Modak</p> <p><b>PHOTO JOURNALIST</b> Vinay Malik</p> <p><b>DIGITAL &amp; IT SUPPORT</b> Vikas Dangri</p>