

## State Government Schemes

### Rythu Bandhu Scheme

- It is an investment support scheme for landholding farming community, being implemented by the State of Telangana.
- Every landholding farmer is given a direct benefit of ₹4,000/acre/crop-season as investment support irrespective of the extent of landholding.
- Taking a cue from Telangana, Jharkhand and West Bengal governments have already announced similar schemes with a benefit of ₹5,000 per acre once a year.
- RythuBima Scheme – It is to provide financial relief and social security to the family members/dependents, in case of loss of farmer's life due to any reason.
- Farmers in the age group of 18 to 59 years are eligible for enroll under the scheme.
- The surviving family of every insured farmer in the age group of 18 to 59 years is being paid 5 lakh claim in the event of the farmer's death, irrespective of the cause.
- The entire premium is paid by the government to the Life Insurance Corporation of India.
- It is also being implemented by the government of Telangana.
- Economists are favouring these direct benefit schemes like these over farm loan waivers and price difference schemes.

### Mission Bhagiratha

- It is also a scheme devised by the Government of Telangana to ensure safe and sustainable piped drinking water supply from surface water sources.
- It is aimed at providing tap connection to every household, the surface water sources being Krishna and Godavari Basin.
- Water will also be provided to Industrial requirements.
- There is also a plan to install optical fibre pipelines using the extensive water pipeline network being laid under the mission in an aim to save large amount of funds in installing OFC networks.

### Bhavantar Bhugtan Yojana

- It is a price deficiency payment (PDP) scheme being implemented by the state of Madhya Pradesh.
- BBY assures that farmers at least get the MSP value for their crops.
- Subsequently, the farmer is allocated a time slot to bring his produce to the mandi, where the quantity eligible for deficiency pricing is determined.
- The quantity is determined based on the average productivity of the particular district and the cropped area of the particular farmer.
- The farmers receive the difference between —average sale price (market price) and —minimum support price (MSP), directly into their bank accounts.
- It hence provides an alternative to physical procurement of commodities at MSP, which comes with the hassles of storage, transport and marketing.
- Problems - Only those farmers registered on its portal gets benefited. Financial burden will be more than 90% of the state's total agri-budget, rendering BBY unfeasible.

### **Suryashakti Kisan Yojana**

- It is a solar power scheme for farmers recently launched by the government of Gujarat.
- It enables farmers to generate electricity for their captive consumption as well as sell the surplus power to the grid and earn an extra income.
- This is the first such scheme in the country.
- The State and Central governments will give 60% subsidy on the cost of project.

### **SAKALA Scheme**

- The scheme is being implemented in the State of Karnataka to curb corruption in public service delivery in key departments.
- More than 725 services are being provided under this mission.
- Now, the state government has proposed to launch the version 2 of SAKALA scheme with the existing SAKALA-1 fails to curb corruption.
- SAKALA -2 will address shortcomings in the existing Act by including a provision for imposing penalty of Rs. 250 per day for delay in addressing complaints.
- The proposed Bill includes mandatory display of citizens' charters and job charts in all government departments, social audits, public hearings and district & state level grievance redress processes.

### **"One District One Product" Summit**

- It is a scheme developed by U.P state government to popularise products produced by MSME sector.
- Under the scheme, the government has set a goal of providing employment to 25 lakh people in 5 years through the financial assistance of Rs. 25,000 crores.
- It aims to improve the skills of local MSME artisans and increasing the reach of their products.

### **Kanyashree Prakalpa Scheme**

- It is a scheme introduced by the Government of West Bengal.
- The scheme aims to improve the status of adolescent girls from disadvantaged families through small conditional cash transfers.
- Through the initiative, cash will be deposited into the bank account of girls for every year they remained in school and were unmarried, until the age of 18.

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