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Newly Approved Scheme

Incentive Scheme for Critical Mineral Recycling:

The Union Cabinet has approved a new ₹1,500 crore incentive scheme. This initiative, part of the National Critical Mineral Mission (NCMM), aims to boost India's capacity for recycling critical minerals from secondary sources. The scheme, which will run for six years (FY 2025-26 to FY 2030-31), offers incentives for recycling e-waste, lithium-ion battery scrap, and other scrap. It includes both capital expenditure (capex) and operational expenditure (opex) subsidies to encourage new and existing recyclers.

State-Level and Ongoing Scheme Updates

CM Mahila Rojgar Yojana (Bihar): The Bihar state cabinet has approved a new scheme, the CM Mahila Rojgar Yojana. This initiative will provide ₹10,000 to one woman from each family for self-employment. The state government has approved a budget of ₹20,000 crore from the contingency fund for the 2025-26 fiscal year to implement this scheme.

PM Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (PMDDKY):

This landmark scheme, approved in July 2025, is gaining momentum. The scheme focuses on transforming India's agricultural landscape in 100 low-performing agri-districts. It aims to enhance productivity, promote crop diversification, and improve irrigation and storage through the convergence of 36 central schemes. The rollout is aligned with the upcoming Rabi season in October.

Evaluation of Fertilizer Subsidies: The Development Monitoring and Evaluation Office (DMEO) under the NITI Aayog has initiated an evaluation of the existing urea and nutrient-based subsidy schemes. The study's findings are intended to help the government introduce necessary interventions to improve the schemes' effectiveness and fiscal sustainability.

Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana: The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Governor has praised the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana for its role in strengthening financial inclusion and contributing to India's economic growth. The scheme, which has seen over 55 crore accounts opened, is continuing a nationwide financial inclusion campaign until the end of September.

Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi: The latest scheme-wise expenditure reports from the e-UTTHAAN portal show ongoing disbursements under schemes like the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi and the National Rural Livelihood Mission, indicating their continued implementation across states.

Other Scheme-Related News

Support for Exporters: The government is actively working on an export promotion mission, with a budget of ₹2,250 crore. The initiative aims to provide a supportive ecosystem for exporters through initiatives to ease doing business and provide targeted trade support.

Semiconductor Mission: The India Semiconductor Mission continues to be a major focus, with the government clearing five more projects and the country's first fully indigenous





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32-bit microprocessor, 'Vikram,' being unveiled. The National Single Window System is being used to centralize all approvals for investors in this sector.

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1.What is the main objective of the new ₹1,500 crore incentive scheme approved by the Union Cabinet?

- a) To promote the use of solar panels.
- b) To boost India's capacity for recycling critical minerals.
- c) To subsidize the import of essential minerals.
- d) To fund research into new mineral discovery.

Answer: b) To boost India's capacity for recycling critical minerals.
The text states that the scheme aims to "boost India's capacity for recycling critical minerals from secondary sources," as part of the National Critical Mineral Mission.

2.Which state has approved the CM Mahila Rojgar Yojana, and what is the primary benefit of the scheme?

- a) Uttar Pradesh; providing ₹5,000 for women's education.
- b) Bihar; providing ₹10,000 to one woman from each family for self-employment.
- c) Rajasthan; offering free skills training for women.
- d) Madhya Pradesh; distributing free sewing machines to women.

Answer: b) Bihar; providing ₹10,000 to one woman from each family for self-employment.
The text mentions that the "Bihar state cabinet has approved a new scheme, the CM Mahila Rojgar Yojana," which will "provide ₹10,000 to one woman from each family for self-employment."

3.The PM Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (PMDDKY) focuses on which of the following?

- a) Providing subsidized seeds to all farmers.
- b) Transforming India's agricultural landscape in 100 low-performing agri-districts.





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- c) Offering crop insurance to all farmers.
d) Building a national network of cold storage facilities.

Answer: b) Transforming India's agricultural landscape in 100 low-performing agri-districts. The passage states that the PMDDKY "focuses on transforming India's agricultural landscape in 100 low-performing agri-districts."

4.Which government body is evaluating the existing urea and nutrient-based subsidy schemes?

- a) The Ministry of Finance
b) The Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
c) The Development Monitoring and Evaluation Office (DMEO) under NITI Aayog
d) The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare

Answer: c) The Development Monitoring and Evaluation Office (DMEO) under NITI Aayog. The text clearly identifies the "Development Monitoring and Evaluation Office (DMEO) under the NITI Aayog" as the body that "has initiated an evaluation of the existing urea and nutrient-based subsidy schemes."

5.What is the name of India's first fully indigenous 32-bit microprocessor?

- a) Shaurya
b) Vikram
c) Shakti
d) Agni

Answer: b) Vikram.

The text states that "the country's first fully indigenous 32-bit microprocessor, 'Vikram,' being unveiled," is a part of the India Semiconductor Mission's focus.

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