National Career Service (NCS) Portal

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Why in news?

The National Career Service (NCS) Portal has crossed major milestones in registrations and vacancies mobilised.

- **NCS –** It is a flagship initiative that provides a wide array of career-related services.
- **Aim –** By acting as a ***one-stop solution*** to bridge the gap between job seekers and employers through a digital platform.
- **Launched in –** 2015.
- **Nodal Ministry –** Ministry of Labour & Employment.

Key Features & Services

- **Various stakeholders –** It is a comprehensive platform connecting various stakeholders in the employment ecosystem, including job seekers, employers, career counsellors, skill providers, and government departments.
- Registration is ***free*** and entirely online.
- **Job Matching –** Provides a transparent and efficient system for matching job seekers with suitable employers.
- **Career Services –** Offers vocational guidance, career counselling, and information on skill development courses.
- **Inclusive Access –** Special focus on women, SC/ST, differently-abled, and economically weaker sections to ensure equitable opportunities.
- **Job Fairs –** Facilitates both online and offline job fairs across India, improving outreach and accessibility.
- **Model Career Centres (MCCs) –** Physical centres approved across states/UTs to deliver employment services in collaboration with institutions.
- **Integration with Other Services –** It is integrated with other government initiatives and platforms like DigiLocker, e-Shram, and AICTE to streamline the hiring process and document verification.
- **Digital Governance –** Part of the Digital India initiative, ensuring services are accessible online and integrated with Aadhaar for authentication.

• **Massive Registrations** – As of 20 November 2025, more than 6.02 crore jobseekers (including women, SC/ST, and EWS categories) and 54.27 lakh employers have registered on the NCS portal.
• **Vacancies Mobilised** – Over 8.17 crore job vacancies have been mobilised through the portal since its inception.
• **Model Career Centres (MCCs)** – The government has approved 407 MCCs across States/UTs to deliver employment services in collaboration with institutions.

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