

Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK)

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Why in news?

Secretary, Ministry of Minority Affairs reviews the progress of projects being implemented under PMJVK in Chhattisgarh.

- **PMJVK** - It is a ***Centrally Sponsored Scheme*** to develop infrastructure and basic amenities in ***minority-concentrated areas***.
- **Objective** - To reduce development gaps by improving access to education, healthcare, housing, and livelihood opportunities for minority communities.
- **Restructured scheme** - The erstwhile ***Multi-sectoral Development Programme (MsDP)*** has been restructured & renamed as PMJVK, implementation since 2018.
- **Nodal Ministry** - Ministry of Minority Affairs.
- **Eligibility Criteria** -
 - **Target Areas** - Projects must be located in areas where minorities make up ***more than 25%*** of the population within a 15 km radius, as certified by the State Level Committee (SLC).
 - **Project Approval** - The SLC evaluates the feasibility of proposed projects before recommending them to the Ministry (SLC approval is must).
 - **Sustainability Requirement** - States/UTs must ensure recurring costs, maintenance, and staffing are planned to avoid issues after project completion.
- **Focus on** - Developing infrastructure & providing basic amenities such as schools, health centers, hostels, community halls, drinking water, sanitation and skill development facilities in ***Minority Concentrated Areas (MCAs)***.
- **Implemented by** - State Governments, District Level Committees (DLCs), and local implementing agencies. It is not an individual application-based scheme.

- **Beneficiaries** - Cover all communities residing in Minority Concentrated Areas (MCAs) including Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Parsis, and Jains.
- **Exclusions** - Does ***not provide direct cash assistance*** or individual financial benefits.
 - Excludes recurring administrative expenses & personal subsidies & does not support programs unrelated to infrastructure or community development.

References

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