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Polity & Governance

The Pradhan Mantri National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (PM-NAPS)

- Launched in <u>2016</u> under the umbrella scheme <u>Skill India Programme (SIP)</u>.
- **Nodal Ministry** Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.
- **Aim** To promote apprenticeship training in the country, by providing partial stipend support to the apprentices engaged under the *Apprentice Act*, 1961.
- Eligibility 14-35 years
- To support both apprentices and establishments in India, 25% of the stipend, <u>up to Rs.1</u>, <u>500 per month</u> per apprentice, will be provided through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) during the training period.

Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS)

- It originally launched as *Shramik Vidyapeeth (SVP)* in 1967.
- Umbrella scheme Skill India Programme (SIP).
- **Nodal Ministry** Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.
- **Aim** Community-centric skilling initiative designed to make vocational training accessible, flexible, and inclusive, particularly for women, rural youth, and economically disadvantaged groups.
- **Key Initiatives** <u>PM JANMAN</u>, Understanding of Lifelong Learning for All in Society (ULLAS),
- **Targeted beneficiaries** Non-literates, neo-literates, individuals with rudimentary education, and school dropouts up to class 12th, aged 15-45 years.

Yuva Sahakar - Cooperative Enterprise Support and Innovation Scheme

- Launched in 2018.
- Implemented by National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC).
- **Nodal Ministry** Ministry of Cooperation.
- **Aim** To <u>encourage newly formed cooperative societies</u> with new and/or innovative ideas and young entrepreneur cooperative societies which are in operation for a <u>minimum of 3</u> months.
- Loan Long-term loan (up to 5 years).
- **Interest subvention** 2% on rate of interest.

Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF)

- Launched in 2020 as a central sector scheme.
- Nodal Ministry Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying.
- Merged with Dairy Infrastructure Development Fund (DIDF).
- **Aim** To support investments in infrastructure related to animal husbandry, including dairy, meat processing, and animal feed plants.
- Eligible entities Individuals, Private companies, cooperatives, section 8 companies, MSMEs, Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), and Dairy Cooperatives & dairy farmers.
- Loan Up to 90% of the estimated/ actual project cost.
- **Timeline** 6 years.

Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund (FIDF)

- **Launched in** 2018.
- Nodal Ministry Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying.
- Implementing agency National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB).
- **Aim** It helps in the creation of fisheries infrastructure facilities both in **marine and inland fisheries** sectors.
- Nodal Loaning Entities
 - NABARD State/UT government projects.
- National Cooperative Development Corporation Cooperative Sector either

through State Governments/UTs or directly to Eligible Cooperative Societies & Federations

- **Scheduled Banks** All the Private Beneficiaries/ Private Entrepreneurs.
- Loan Up to 80% of the estimated/ actual project cost.
- **Interest Subvention-** Up to **3%** per annum for development of identified fisheries- based infrastructure facilities.
- **Repayment period 12 years** inclusive of moratorium of 2 years on repayment of principal.

Pradhan Mantri Matsya Kisan Samridhi Sah-Yojana (PM-MKSSY)

- Launched in 2024 as a central sector sub-scheme.
- Umbrella scheme Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY).
- **Nodal Ministry** Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying.
- **Aim** To formalize the fisheries sector and to support fisheries micro and small enterprises.
- **Timeline** 4 years (2023-2027).

GLOF Mitigation Project

- GLOF-NGRMP National Glacial Lake Outburst Flood-Risk Mitigation Project.
- Launched in 2025.
- Funding -National Disaster Mitigation Fund (NDMF).
- **Aim** To reduce the risks associated with glacial lake outburst floods, particularly in regions that are highly susceptible to such natural disasters.
- Implemented states Arunachal Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Sikkim and Uttarakhand.
- Glacial Lake Outburst Flood (GLOF) It is a sudden release of water from a glacial lake due to the failure of a natural dam, resulting in flooding.

CRIDA Mission

- **CRIDA** Central Research Institute for Dryland Agriculture.
- Launched by Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR).
- Nodal Ministry Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare.
- **Aim** To conduct essential and strategic research on dryland agriculture.

Agriculture

Pisciculture

- **Pisciculture** It is the *commercial breeding of fish*.
- It is a type of aquaculture in which aquatic creatures, including fish, crabs, and molluscs, are carefully cultivated and harvested.
- It can be done in either a natural or a simulated natural context.
- **Process** It is the process of breeding, producing, and shipping fish for both home and commercial purposes.
- It is also known as *aquaculture*, *fish farming*, *or mariculture*.

Security

TROPEX-25

- TROPEX-25 Theatre Level Operational Readiness Exercise, 2025.
- It is an operational level exercise conducted <u>biennially</u> with participation by <u>all</u> <u>operational Indian Naval units</u>.
- Substantial participation Indian Army, Indian Air Force and Coast Guard assets.
- Conducted in Indian Ocean Region.
- **Aim** Validate Indian Navy's core warfighting skills, ensuring a synchronised, integrated response to preserve and protect national maritime security interests.
 - Against conventional, asymmetric as well as hybrid threats.

