

VIBRANT VILLAGES PROGRAMME

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Context:

Union Home Minister Amit Shah recently reviewed the implementation of Vibrant Villages Programme.

Background:

Vibrant Villages Programme was first announced in the 2022 Budget. The programme's targets are to provide comprehensive development of villages on the border with China and improvement in the quality of life of people living in identified border villages.

About Vibrant Villages Programme:

1. Government approved Vibrant Villages Programme (VVP) as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme in February 2023, with financial outlay of ₹4800 crore for the FY 2022-23 to 2025-26.
2. It aims for comprehensive development of the select villages in 46 blocks in 19 districts abutting northern border in the States of Arunachal Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Sikkim, Uttarakhand and UT of Ladakh.
3. The objective of the programme is comprehensive development of these villages to improve the quality of life of people & thereby reversing outmigration.
4. The programme envisages focused areas of interventions in the select villages for creation of opportunities for livelihood generation through promotion of tourism & cultural heritage, skill development & entrepreneurship and development of cooperative societies including agriculture/horticulture, cultivation of medicinal plants/herbs etc. the interventions also include providing road connectivity to unconnected villages, housing & village infrastructures, energy including renewable energy, television & telecom connectivity.
5. VVP has been conceived as an outcome oriented programme with outcome indicators at three levels- village, household & individual beneficiary.

