

Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana

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In news- Recently, the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) has approved implementation of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) for 2021-26 with an outlay of Rs.93,068 crore.

Key updates-

- Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP), Har Khet ko Paani (HKKP) and Watershed Development components have been approved for continuation during 2021-26.
- Total additional irrigation potential creation targeted during 2021-26 under AIBP is 13.88 lakh hectare.
- The **inclusion criteria have been relaxed** for projects under **tribal and drought prone areas** under AIBP.
- **Central funding of 90% of water components for two national projects**, namely **Renukaji Dam Project**

About Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) –

- Launched in 2015, PMKSY is an umbrella scheme, providing central grants to the State Governments for specific activities detailed below.
- **PMKSY** is amalgamation of various schemes namely
- **Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP).**
- **Har Khet Ko Pani (HKKP)** including Command Area Development (CAD), Surface Minor Irrigation (SMI) and Repair, Renovation and Restoration (RRR) of Water Bodies [Implemented by MoWR, RD & GR].
- **Per Drop More Crop (PDMC)** [Implemented by Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare]
- **Watershed Development (WD)** [Implemented by Department of Land Resources].
- **AIBP aims for financial support to irrigation projects.**

- **Har Khet Ko Pani (HKKP) aims** for enhancement of physical access on the farm and expansion of cultivable area under assured irrigation.
- **Watershed Development component focuses on** development of rainfed areas towards soil and water conservation, regeneration of groundwater, arresting runoff and promoting extension activities related to water harvesting and management.