Sweet revolution

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<u>In news</u>— As part of the Sweet revolution, Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) launched the country's **first Mobile Honey Processing Van at Village Sirora in Ghaziabad, UP** recently.

About Mobile Honey Processing Van-

- It has been designed in-house by KVIC at its Multidisciplinary Training Centre, Panjokhra, at a cost of Rs 15 lakh.
- Its processing unit can process up to 300 KG of honey in 8 hours.
- The van is also equipped with a testing laboratory that would instantly examine the quality of honey.
- This Van comes as a major development under KVIC's Honey Mission which aims at training beekeepers, distributing Bee Boxes to farmers and helping rural, educated as well as unemployed youth to earn extra income through beekeeping activities.

About Sweet revolution-

- It is a strategic step to emphasize the increase in honey production which can be a major contributor to doubling the income of the farmers.
- In this direction, the National Beekeeping & Honey Mission (NBHM) was announced as part of the AtmaNirbhar Bharat scheme.
- NBHM aims for the overall promotion & development of scientific beekeeping in the country to achieve the goal of 'Sweet Revolution' which is being implemented through National Bee Board (NBB).
- The main objective of NBHM is to promote holistic growth of the beekeeping industry for income & employment generation for farm and non-farm households and to

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- Besides, the scheme also aims to create awareness about scientific beekeeping under Mini Mission-I, postharvest management of beekeeping, beehive products, including collection, processing, storage, marketing, value addition, etc. under Mini Mission-II and Research & Technology generation in beekeeping under Mini Mission-III.
- The Union government has approved the allocation for Rs. 500 crore for National Beekeeping & Honey Mission (NBHM) for three years (2020-21 to 2022-23).

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