

Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari

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Why in news?

Prime Ministerlaunched a groundbreaking initiative called "Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari" in Surat, Gujarat.

- This initiative represents a *significant step towards enhancing community involvement in water conservation efforts* across India.
- The launch aligns with the ongoing "Jal Shakti Abhiyan: Catch the Rain" campaign, reinforcing the Prime Minister's vision of collaborative water management to ensure long-term water security for the nation.

Objectives and Scope

The "Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari" initiative aims to:

1Mobilize citizens, local bodies, industries, and stakeholders in Gujarat

2Implement rainwater harvesting structures on a large scale

3Serve as a model for other states to emulate

4Promote sustainable water management practices

5Enhance water security across the country

The initiative emphasizes a "whole-of-society" approach.

Women's Empowerment in Water Management

"Nari Shakti se Jal Shakti"

The current edition of the "Jal Shakti Abhiyan: Catch the Rain" campaign **emphasizes women's leadership** in water management under the theme**"Nari Shakti se Jal Shakti"**(Women's Power to Water Power). This focus aims to:

- Empower women in decision-making roles related to water management
- Recognize and utilize women's unique perspectives and experiences in conservation efforts
- Promote gender equality in environmental stewardship

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