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Project Re-Hab

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Why is in news? KVIC Chairman inaugurates the ambitious Re-Hab Project in Nainital

KVIC Chairman inaugurated the ambitious **Re-Hab Project (Reducing Human Attacks using Honey Bees)** by Khadi and Village Industries Commission (**Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises**) at village Chausla, in Forest Range Fatehpur, Haldwani, District Nainital.

RE-HAB (Reducing Elephant-Human Attacks using Bees) has been launched, which entails installing bee boxes along the periphery of the forest and the villages to **mitigate human-elephant conflict**.

The project Re-Hab is running in 7 states of the country, namely in **Karnataka, Maharashtra, West Bengal, Assam and Orissa**, where attacks of the elephants is more common.

Under this project fencing of **bee boxes is installed in such areas from where elephants move towards the human settlements and farmers' agriculture**.

Fencing of Bee-boxes on the routes of movement of elephants **blocks the path of wild elephants**. In this way, through honey-bees, elephants can be **prevented from attacking humans and destroying farmers' crops**.

It also helped "Sweet Revolution" and to provide self-employment opportunities to the unemployed youth of the country, and to increase the income of the farmers.

The '**Sweet Revolution**' was launched in **2016** to promote beekeeping and associated activities.

The **Honey Mission program, 2017** is implemented under the **Khadi and Gramodyog Vikas Yojana**, in the entire country from the year 2018-19.

The beneficiaries of this scheme are provided with 10 bee-boxes, bee-colonies and toolkits after completion of the beekeeping training provided by KVIC.

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