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**News:** The Union Ministry of Tribal Affairs is now working to develop 36,428 villages with at least 50% tribal population and 500 Scheduled Tribes across the country into ‘model tribal’ villages.

## **Pradhan Mantri Adi Adarsh Gram Yojana (PMAAGY)**

- Pradhan Mantri Adi Adarsh Gram Yojana (PMAGY), a **Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment** initiative for the empowerment of deprived sections, aims to achieve integrated development of selected villages through convergent implementation of all relevant Central and State schemes.
- The scheme was launched in March, 2010 on a pilot basis for the integrated development of 1000 villages each with more than 50% SC population.
- This is a **centrally sponsored scheme with 100% fund contribution from the part of Union government.**
- A **Model village** is one which has adequate physical and institutional infrastructure, in which minimum needs of all sections of the society are fully **met**; they live in harmony with each other, as also with the environment, and a village which is progressive and dynamic.

- These villages should be covered with all the facilities necessary for dignified living, creating thereby an environment in which all its residents are enabled to utilize their potential to the fullest.
- Presently the scheme is being implemented in five States of the country viz **Assam, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan and Tamil Nadu.**