

Haryana starts ₹2,750 pension for 3,810 trees

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Chandigarh: To preserve the vulnerable non-human inhabitants of the state, the Haryana government on Thursday launched the Pran Vayu Devta Pension Scheme, which will provide a pension of Rs 2,750 per annum each to 3,810 trees, aged 75 years and above, becoming the first state in the country to implement such a pioneering scheme.

As per the scheme, the state is encouraging residents who have trees more than 75 years old at their homes' courtyards to apply for the pension scheme by visiting their respective district forest department offices. Each application will be reviewed by a committee, ensuring that all criteria are met before a beneficiary receives the pension.

To be eligible for the scheme, landowners with trees aged 75 years or older on their properties will have to submit their applications to the forest department. District-level conservation committees identified 3,810 qualifying trees across the state.

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