5. R. R. (Aaba) Patil Sundar Gaon Puraskar Scheme

- 6. Name of the Scheme:- R. R. (Aba) Patil Sundar Gaon Puraskar Scheme
- 7. Whose scheme is it:- The said scheme is of the Maharashtra Government and is implemented through Zilla Parishad Kolhapur.
- 8. <u>Brief information about the scheme</u>:- A new "Smart Village" scheme has been launched by converting the Environmentally Balanced Prosperous Village Scheme. Subsequently, the name of the scheme was changed to **RR (Aaba) Patil Sunder Gaon Puraskar Yojana** by the government decision dated 20 March 2020.
- 9. The main objective of this scheme is to maintain environmental balance by developing available natural resources through public participation, create prosperous villages and coordinate schemes by linking village-level schemes of various departments of the state government. Every Gram Panchayat has an equal opportunity to participate in the scheme.
- 10. <u>Scheme Terms and Conditions</u>: Gram Panchayats are selected based on criteria, grading and transparency. To participate in the scheme, Gram Panchayats with a population of more than 5000, Gram Panchayats adjacent to cities, award-winning Gram Panchayats and other Gram Panchayats are divided and graded accordingly. The Gram Panchayats have been given marks according to their performance. The scoring system is based on cleanliness, management, accountability, non-conventional energy and environment, transparency and use of technology. A total of 100 marks have been kept for this.
- 11. Benefits of the scheme:- The Gram Panchayat with the highest score at the taluka level will be selected as the "Taluka Sundar Gaon". The Gram Panchayat selected as the said Taluka Sundar Gaon will receive a prize of Rs. 10.00 lakhs. . Also, the District Level Inspection Committee will re-evaluate the Gram Panchayats in 12 talukas that were selected as Taluka Sundar Gaons and the Gram Panchayat that scored the highest marks will be selected as the District Sundar Gaon. The Gram Panchayat will receive a prize of Rs. 40.00 lakhs. The prize money will be used for development work in the village. Under this scheme, a competitive environment will be created in the Gram Panchayat to ensure 100% successful implementation of various government schemes, thereby helping all government schemes reach the grassroots.