

World Bank invites CM to Washington

Leading FI wants CM to share his experience on development

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The World Bank has invited Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chauhan to its head-

quarters in Washington DC for a talk. The World Bank holds that innovations and learning need to be spread out. World Bank Managing Di-

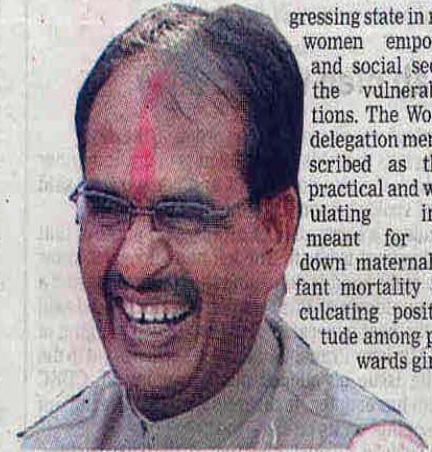
rector Ngozi Okonjo Iweala has written a letter to the Chief Minister expressing the World Bank's interest in hearing about Madhya Pradesh development experience especially regarding development of women and children. She has also underlined World Bank's intention for expanding engagement with Madhya

Pradesh in a range of sectors.

Ngozi Okonjo Iweala appreciated the vision of Chauhan regarding integrated development ending malnourishment among children and empowerment of women. She has mentioned about her experience of field visits in Raisen district to have first-hand in-

formation and experience regarding innovative development schemes, specially, for women and children. She said the World Bank intends to hold a talk of Chauhan on the issues.

A delegation of the World Bank recently visited the State and met the Chief Minister. The delegation described the State as pro-



gressing state in respect of women empowerment and social security to the vulnerable sections. The World Bank delegation members described as the most practical and worth emulating initiatives meant for bringing down maternal and infant mortality rates inculcating positive attitude among people towards girl child.