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Breach of Luti Reservoir in Chhattisgarh

Why in News?

A breach in the **Luti (Satbahini) reservoir** in Dhaneshpur village of Chhattisgarh's Balrampur district caused a **flash flood**, resulting in fatalities, injuries, and significant property damage.

Key Points

- 💡 **About:** The Luti Dam, also known as the Luti (Satbahini) reservoir, is a **small dam** located in Dhaneshpur village near Vishramnagar in Balrampur district, Chhattisgarh, India.
- ✦ It was **constructed in the early 1980s** and served as a key water source for local irrigation and agriculture.
- ✦ Reports indicated concerns over **dam leakage and structural integrity** for several years, but recent intense monsoon rains overwhelmed the aging infrastructure.

Key Details About Luti Dams

Attribute	Detail
Name	Luti Dam
Purpose	Irrigation
River	Upka Nala
Nearest City	Surajpur
District	Surguja
Basin	Ganga

Flash Flood

- 💡 **Definition:** Flash floods are **sudden increases in water levels** during or immediately after intense rainfall. They are **highly localized** and short-lived events, typically occurring within 6 hours of rainfall.
- 💡 **Causes:** Flash floods are primarily **caused by intense rainfall** that overwhelms the soil's absorption capacity and drainage systems.
 - ✦ Apart from heavy rain, flash floods can also result from **rapid snowmelt due to sudden temperature rise**, dam or levee breaches, ice or debris jams, and sudden glacial lake outbursts.

- ✦ Additionally, **urbanisation** with impervious surfaces like roads and buildings increases runoff, reducing water absorption and intensifying flood risks.

- 💡 **Examples:** Himachal 2023, Uttarakhand 2013, and Mumbai 2005 each caused by intense rain, leading to heavy loss of life and property.

4th Fast5 Senior National Netball Championship

Why in News?

Recently, the **women's teams from Rajasthan and Chhattisgarh** clinched **bronze medals** at the **4th Fast5 Senior National Netball Championship 2025-26**, held at Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Stadium, **Palwal, Haryana**.



Key Points

- 💡 **Overview:** The championship was organized from 28th to 31st August 2025, with 26 state teams participating.
- 💡 **Winners:**
 - ✦ The Rajasthan team, captained by Nidhi Sharma (who had previously led them to gold and silver at the 38th **National Games** in Uttarakhand), showcased exceptional teamwork and determination.
 - ✦ The Chhattisgarh team battled fiercely through the **quarterfinals and semifinals** to secure the bronze medal, bringing pride to the state and inspiring future athletes.
- 💡 **Significance:** The successes are expected to **encourage more female participation** in netball.

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and other sports, supporting the vision of gender empowerment and youth sports development.

Winners - Men's Category

Gold	Haryana
Silver	Kerala
Bronze	Telangana & Punjab

Winners - Women's Category

Gold	Haryana
Silver	Punjab
Bronze	Chhattisgarh & Rajasthan

Netball

- Netball is a **fast-paced ball sport** played by two teams of **seven players each**, aiming to score goals by shooting a ball through a high ring on a rectangular court.
- The Netball Federation of India** is the national governing body for netball in India.
 - It promotes, regulates, and develops the sport across all states and age groups.

NIT Raipur FIE Wins National Incubator Award

Why in News?

The NIT Raipur Foundation for Innovation and Entrepreneurship (FIE) will be awarded the **National Incubator Award** at the **4th India Entrepreneurship Summit** on **13th September 2025** at NDMC Convention Centre, New Delhi.

Key Points

- Establishment:** NIT Raipur-FIE was founded in **March 2021** under the Department of Science and Technology's (DST) **National Initiative for Developing and Harnessing Innovations (NIDHI) program** as a non-profit technology business incubator.
- Reason for Award:** Recognition for mentoring **35+ startups** in Chhattisgarh and providing strong technical support.

- Startups incubated span **governance, medical devices, analytics, deep-tech, clean tech, and ICT**.

Organizer: The summit is jointly organized by the **Entrepreneur Association of India (EAI)** and **Enterprising Zone (EZ)**, a government-funded, internationally recognized incubation center.

Significance:

- Strengthens **India's Startup Ecosystem** by mentoring youth in Chhattisgarh.
- Helps position **Chhattisgarh as an innovation hub**.
- Contributes to **entrepreneurship promotion and technology-led economic growth**.

National Initiative for Developing and Harnessing Innovations (NIDHI)

About:

- The NIDHI is a groundbreaking initiative designed to drive innovation, support startups, and create a thriving **entrepreneurial ecosystem** in India.
- NIDHI comprises various components that provide a comprehensive framework for promoting and accelerating innovation-driven enterprises across the nation.

Components:

- NIDHI-PRAYAS (Promoting and Accelerating Young and Aspiring Innovators and Startups):**

- Focuses on converting innovative ideas into tangible prototypes.
- Offers mentoring and financial support at the Proof-of-Concept level.

- NIDHI Entrepreneurs-In-Residence (EIR) Program:**

- Provides fellowships to students pursuing entrepreneurship.
- Aims to nurture and encourage young entrepreneurs.

Key Players and Collaborators:

- Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR):**

- NIDHI collaborates closely with **CSIR** to shape and develop cutting-edge incubation facilities.

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- Plays an active role in conceptualizing and developing advanced incubation facilities.
- ✍ Supports translating technology and products, benefiting society, industry, and the country.
- ✦ **Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MeitY):**
 - ✍ NIDHI's partnership with MeitY in the [Technology Incubation and Development of Entrepreneurs \(TIDE 2.0\) Scheme](#) empowers tech-driven startups.
 - ✍ Together, they provide financial and technical support to foster technology-based entrepreneurship.

Department of Science and Technology

- 💡 The foundation of DST was laid on 3rd May 1971 along the model of the **National Science Foundation (NSF), USA**.
- 💡 It provides funding and also makes **policies and coordinates scientific work** with other countries.
- 💡 It empowers scientists and scientific institutions and also works with a highly distributed system permeating stakeholders ranging from school, college, PhD, Postdoc students, young scientists, startups, and NGOs working in Science & Technology.

Chhattisgarh's Tiger Population Doubles in 3 Years

Why in News?

Chhattisgarh's tiger population has significantly increased, **doubling from 17 in 2022 to 35** by April 2025, highlighting the state's successful wildlife conservation efforts.

- 💡 This growth was highlighted at the 15th meeting of the Chhattisgarh [State Wildlife Welfare Board](#), chaired by Chief Minister Vishnu Deo Sai.

WILDLIFE PROTECTION: BOARD READY FOR ACTION

Special measures are also being taken for the state bird, the Hill Myna, including a "Myna Mitra" volunteer group to monitor its habitat

➤ NTCA has approved translocation of tigers from MP to Udanti-Sitanadi and Guru Ghasidas Tamor Pingla reserves

Facilities in tiger reserves and Kanger Valley National Park are being expanded to attract more visitors

“Chhattisgarh is rich in forest wealth & wildlife. Conservation and promotion of biodiversity is our priority. This increase in tiger numbers is evidence of our efforts, and now we must extend similar focus to other species. Neemgaon in Jashpur, known for attracting migratory birds, as a potential conservation site could also boost tourism and employment

— CM Vishnu Deo Sai

Several Proposals Approved By Wildlife Board Include

- Construction of patrolling routes
- Rationalizing protected areas
- Road project from Dhawalpur to Kukrar in Udanti-Sitanadi
- Pipeline extension under Mission Amrit Yojana
- Laying of optical fiber cables in Kabirdham forests

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Key Points

- ⚡ **About:** Achanakmar Tiger Reserve hosts the highest tiger population at 18, followed by Guru Ghasidas-Tamor Pingla (GGTP) Tiger Reserve with 7, Indravati Tiger Reserve with 6, Bhoramdeo Wildlife Sanctuary with 3, and Udanti-Sitanadi Tiger Reserve with 1.
- ✦ The GGTP, declared India's 56th tiger reserve in 2024, is now the **third-largest** in the country, after Nagarjunasagar-Srisailem Tiger Reserve in Andhra Pradesh and Manas Tiger Reserve in Assam.
- ⚡ **Translocation Plan:** Chhattisgarh has received approval from the **National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA)** to translocate tigers from Madhya Pradesh to the **Udanti-Sitanadi** and **Guru Ghasidas-Tamor Pingla Tiger Reserves**.
- ✦ A total of five tigers, including two females and one male tiger for Udanti-Sitanadi and three males for Guru Ghasidas, will be relocated.
- ⚡ **Tiger Conservation Plan (TCP):** The state has nearly finalized a **comprehensive Tiger Conservation Plan (TCP)** aimed at addressing challenges related to **habitat management** and boosting tourism in the tiger reserves.
- ✦ This plan also focuses on enhancing facilities in the Kanger Valley National Park to increase tourist footfall and provide livelihood opportunities for local communities.

TIGER

Royal Bengal Tiger (*Panthera tigris*) is the National animal of India.

Subspecies of Tiger

- * The continental (*Panthera tigris tigris*)
- * The Sunda (*Panthera tigris sondaica*)

Habitat

Tropical rainforests, evergreen forests, temperate forests, mangrove swamps, grasslands, and savannas



Countries Where Tiger Population Is Found

- Found only in 13 Tiger Range countries- India, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Myanmar, Russia, China, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, Cambodia, Laos, and Vietnam
- As per the latest report by IUCN, tiger has gone extinct in Cambodia, Laos, and Vietnam

Protection Status

- IUCN Red List: Endangered
- CITES: Appendix I
- WPA 1972: Schedule I

Threats

- Habitat loss
- Poaching and illegal trade
- Human-Wildlife conflict

Conservation Efforts

- International Big Cats Alliance (IBCA):** For conservation of seven big cats namely Tiger, Lion, Leopard, Snow Leopard, Cheetah, Jaguar and Puma (launched by India)
- Tx2 campaign:** Launched by WWF; stands for 'Tiger times 2' signaling the goal to double the tiger population by 2022
- National Tiger Conservation authority (NTCA):** Constituted under the WPA, 1972
- Project Tiger:** Launched in 1973
- Tiger Census:** Every 4 years

Tigers In India

- India has the **largest** population
 - As of 2022, India has 3167 tigers
 - Largest population has been found in Central Indian Highlands & Eastern Ghats Landscape
- Tiger Reserves:** India now has 53 tiger reserves
 - Ranipur in UP is the latest
 - Nagarjun Sagar (Andhra Pradesh) is the largest while Orang (Assam) is the smallest (Core area)



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Swasth Nari Sashakt Parivar Abhiyan Launched in Raipur

Why in News?

The State-level launch of the 'Swasth Nari Sashakt Parivar Abhiyan' was held at **Indira Gandhi Agricultural University, Raipur**, in the presence of Union Minister for Women and Child Development, Smt. Annpurna Devi, and Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh, Shri Vishnu Dev Sai.

Key Points

About:

- ✦ The Swasth Nari Sashakt Parivar Abhiyaan (SNSPA) is a landmark initiative by the **Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW)** and the Ministry of Women and Child Development (MoWCD), aimed at **strengthening healthcare services** for women and children across India, with a focus on improving access, quality care, and awareness.
- ✦ Described as a **Jan Bhagidaari Abhiyaan**, it encourages active participation from private hospitals and healthcare professionals to **foster inclusive healthcare delivery**.
- ✦ The campaign was inaugurated on 17th September 2025, by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, on his 75th birthday, aligning with his vision for empowered communities.

Objectives:

- ✦ **Enhance Women's Health** Through Comprehensive Screening and Services
- ✦ **Promote Family Well-Being** via Maternal and Child Care

- ✦ **Foster Behaviour Changes** Through Education
- ✦ Encourage **Community Participation** and Public Awareness

Implementation Strategy:

- ✦ **Nationwide Health Camps:** Under the **Jan Bhagidaari Abhiyaan**, over one lakh health camps will be held at various healthcare facilities, monitored via the **SASHAKT portal** for real-time tracking.
- ✦ **Healthcare Worker Accountability:** A self-verification system will engage healthcare functionaries (MO, CHOs, MPWs, ASHAs) to **ensure compliance** with health protocols.
- ✦ **Multi-Platform Outreach:** Utilise Doordarshan, All India Radio (AIR), and social media campaigns to maximize public awareness and participation.
- ✦ **Volunteer and Nikshay Mitra Engagement:** Involve **Nikshay Mitras** and volunteers to support **tuberculosis eradication** and community health initiatives.

Impact and Expected Outcomes:

- ✦ The campaign aims to **reduce maternal mortality** by offering antenatal care, screenings, and immunisations at health camps.
- ✦ It seeks to **raise awareness** on menstrual hygiene, nutrition, and wellness through educational sessions during Poshan Maah at Anganwadis.
- ✦ The initiative will enhance healthcare access in **rural and tribal areas** by deploying specialists and organising blood donation drives with the Indian Red Cross Society.

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SWASTH NARI SASHAKT PARIVAR ABHIYAAN

17th September to 2nd October 2025



Prime Minister Narendra Modi

"Resolved to Serve,
Nation first the Inspiration...75 years"

#SwasthNariSashaktParivar

Changing the Health Landscape of the Nation - Countrywide Medical and Health Camps, Inauguration of the 8th Rashtriya Poshan Maah, & Distribution of Maternity Benefits under Pradhan Mantri Mantru Vandana Yojana

Campaign Activities

Provision of Medical Check-up and Health Services for Women

- ENT, Eye, Blood Pressure, Blood Sugar and Dental check-up
- Cancer-Oral/Breast/Cervical
- Immunization Services
- Antenatal Checkup for Pregnant Women
- Anemia level
- Telemanas facilities
- Tuberculosis (TB) Checkup
- Sickle Cell Anemia
- Special Consultation

Maintaining Healthy Lifestyle and Wellness Components

- Reducing Obesity with 10% reduction of Sugar and Edible Oil
- Promotion of Local and Regional food
- Early Childhood Care and Infant & Young Child Feeding Practices
- Promotion of Menstrual Hygiene and Nutrition
- Distribution of Take Home Ration (THR)

Easing access to Health Care Services

- Mother & Child Protection (MCP) Card
- Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana enrollment
- Ayushman Vaya Vandana Card
- Sickle Cell Card
- Registration of beneficiaries in Poshan Tracker

Active Participation of Citizen

- Blood Donation Camps
- Nikshay Mitra Volunteer Registration
- Organ Donor Registration

**Swasth Nari Shashkt Parivar,
Yahi hai Viksit Bharat ka Aadhaar**



Women and Children may contact their nearest Ayushman Arogya Mandir, Community Health Centre, or Anganwadi Centre to avail these services

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Surajpur Becomes Model for Child Marriage Eradication

Why in News?

Surajpur district in Chhattisgarh has made a remarkable achievement by declaring 75 of its village panchayats as “Child Marriage-Free Panchayats” on 17th September 2025.

- 💡 This recognition marks a major victory for the district’s relentless social reform efforts and public awareness campaigns under the “Healthy Women, Empowered Families” initiative.

Key Points

💡 About:

- ✦ The announcement of the 75 child marriage-free panchayats coincided with the launch of **National Nutrition Month** and the ongoing “Healthy Women, Empowered Families” campaign. These panchayats were recognized for having reported no cases of child marriage in the past two years.
- ✦ On 10th March 2024, Chief Minister **Vishnu Deo Sai** launched the “Child Marriage-Free Chhattisgarh Campaign” with the support of **UNICEF**. The initiative aims to make the entire state child marriage-free through active awareness, monitoring, and community participation.

💡 Implementation:

- ✦ The **Women and Child Development Department** led consistent awareness drives in the region.
- ✦ **Anganwadi workers, panchayat representatives, and voluntary organizations** played a crucial role in spreading awareness about the detrimental effects of child marriage.
- ✦ Educational dialogues emphasized the importance of **child rights, education**, and the necessity of **delaying marriage** to ensure better health and socio-economic outcomes for girls.

- ✦ This created a shift in mindset where **parents began prioritizing education and self-reliance** for their daughters over early marriage.

Child Marriage

- 💡 **UNICEF** categorizes child marriage as a human rights violation due to its adverse impacts on the development of both girls and boys.
- 💡 **Sustainable Development Goal 5.3** states that Child marriage elimination is pivotal in achieving Sustainable Development Goal 5, aiming for gender equality and empowerment of women and girls by 2030.
- 💡 According to the UN, 1 in 5 young women worldwide (19%) were married in childhood in 2022.

Legislative Framework

- 💡 India enacted the **Prohibition of Child Marriage Act in 2006**, establishing the legal age for marriage at 21 for men and 18 for women.
- ✦ **Section 16** of the Prohibition of Child Marriage Act allows State Governments to appoint ‘Child Marriage Prohibition Officers (CMPO)’ for specific areas.
 - 📎 CMPOs are responsible for preventing child marriages, collecting evidence for prosecutions, counseling against promoting or aiding such marriages, raising awareness about their harmful effects, and sensitizing communities
- ✦ The government has introduced a bill, namely ‘the **Prohibition of Child Marriage (Amendment) Bill, 2021** for raising the age of marriage of women to 21 years to make it at par with men.

Vikas Sheel Appointed Chief Secretary of Chhattisgarh

Why in News?

Vikas Sheel, a senior IAS officer, has been appointed as the **13th Chief Secretary of Chhattisgarh**, succeeding **Amitabh Jain**, who will retire on 30th September 2025.

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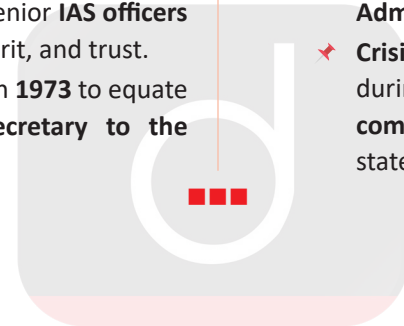
- 💡 He has **held key positions**, including Collector of Raipur and Bilaspur districts, Secretary in various state departments, and is currently serving as an advisor to the Executive Director at the **Asian Development Bank (ADB)**.

Key Facts About Chief Secretary

- 💡 **Origin:** The office of the **Chief Secretary** in India originated during British rule in **1799** under **Lord Wellesley** and has since become integral to the state's administration.
 - ✦ The **Chief Secretary** serves as the highest-ranking civil servant in a state, overseeing the **state Secretariat** and coordinating **government functions**.
- 💡 **Appointment and Status:** The Chief Secretary is appointed by the **Chief Minister** (in the name of the Governor of the state) from senior **IAS officers** based on factors like seniority, merit, and trust.
 - ✦ The office was standardised in **1973** to equate it with the position of **Secretary to the Government of India**.

💡 Powers and Functions:

- ✦ **Advisor to Chief Minister:** Acts as the **principal advisor** on matters of **state administration** and guides on **policy issues**.
- ✦ **Secretary to the Cabinet:** Prepares the **Cabinet meeting agenda**, records proceedings, and oversees **decision implementation**.
- ✦ **Head of Civil Service:** Oversees **appointments, transfers, and promotions** within the state civil service and maintains the **morale** of civil servants.
- ✦ **Chief Coordinator:** Ensures **inter-departmental coordination**, presides over **coordination committees**, and resolves **disputes** between departments.
- ✦ **Head of Certain Departments:** Directly manages key departments such as **General Administration, Personnel, and Planning**.
- ✦ **Crisis Administrator:** Leads **relief operations** during crises like **floods, droughts, and communal disturbances**, representing the state government during emergencies.



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