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Rare Coins of Prithviraj Chauhan's Reign Found in Baghpat

Why in News

- Recently, 16 rare coins of the time of Raja Anangpal Dev, Raja Madanpal, Raja Chahra Rajdev, including Delhi overlord King Prithviraj Chauhan, have been found in the archaeological site inspection in the ancient mound of village Katha of Baghpat district.

Key Points

- Historian Dr Amit Rai Jain says that this achievement will open a new dimension for the history of Baghpat and western Uttar Pradesh, because the receipt of a series of coins of the rulers of any dynasty, proves the suzerainty of those kings over that area. This discovery is very important for the researchers doing research on the basis of currency.
- The Archaeological Survey of India carried out excavation work in Baghpat district in 2005 on the proposal of Dr. Amit Rai Jain, Director of Shehzad Rai Research Institute. After that, in the year 2018, the work of excavation of Sinauli was done, rare antiquities obtained from there and wooden war chariots made of copper were received for the first time in India. Since then, district Baghpat has remained the center of exciting discovery and research for archaeologists and historians all over the world.
- In this regard, historian Amit Rai Jain says that this ancient mound has been present for thousands of years. Many times during the site inspection, the remains of Kushan period and later civilizations, pottery etc. have been obtained from here. The receipt of 16 coins in the same series proves that there must have been a large human settlement here, where coins were in circulation in commercial transactions.
- Historian Dr Amit Rai Jain, who discovered the coins, told about the metal of the coins that these are coins of Bilan metal, which were made by mixing silver and copper. Since silver was very rare, copper was also added to it in making coins.
- In the coins obtained from here, some coins have been cleaned by chemical method, due to which the names written on them can be clearly mentioned.

- Prithviraj Chauhan (AD 1178–1192) was a Hindu Kshatriya king of the Chauhan dynasty, who ruled Ajmer and Delhi in the latter half of the 12th century in North India.

Foundation Stone of Maa Shakumbhari University Laid

Why in News

- On December 2, 2021, Union Home and Cooperation Minister Amit Shah laid the foundation stone of Maa Shakumbhari University in Punwarka village of Saharanpur district. State Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath was also present on the occasion.

Key Points

- Maa Shakumbhari University will be established in a total area of 50.43 acres and the construction work will be completed in 18 months.
- In the first phase, approval has been given for construction works costing Rs 92.04 crore for the construction of administrative building, academic building, hostel, residential building etc. The Public Works Department has been made the executive body for the construction works of this university.
- All three districts of Saharanpur division, Muzaffarnagar, Saharanpur and Shamli have been included under the jurisdiction of Maa Shakumbhari University.
- 264 colleges of these three districts have been affiliated to this university. With the establishment of the university, the students of Saharanpur division will be able to get better facilities of higher education at the nearest place.

National Law University will be named after Dr. Rajendra Prasad

Why In News

- On December 3, 2021, on the birth anniversary of the first President Dr. Rajendra Prasad, it was announced by the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh, Yogi Adityanath to name the National Law University in Prayagraj after Dr. Rajendra Prasad.

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Key Points

- For the establishment of this university, 'Uttar Pradesh National Law University Prayagraj Act, 2020' was passed by the Uttar Pradesh Legislature in the year 2020.
- The Chief Minister has taken this decision in view of the contribution of Dr. Rajendra Prasad in the Indian freedom struggle and his role in constitution making and his remarkable contributions as the first President.
- It should be noted that the Indian Constitution was framed under the chairmanship of Dr. Rajendra Prasad. Dr Rajendra Prasad was also the first President of the Republic of India.
- It is noteworthy that Dr. Rajendra Prasad was born on December 3, 1884 in Siwan district of present-day Bihar and died on February 28, 1963.
- Dr. Rajendra Prasad was awarded the Bharat Ratna in 1962.

Doordarshan Geo-Satellite Center Inaugurated in Gorakhpur

Why In News

- On December 3, 2021, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath and Union Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Singh Thakur inaugurated **Doordarshan Earth Satellite Center in Gorakhpur district** and 10 KW FM relay center in district Etawah, Gadania district, Lakhimpur Kheri and Nanpara district, Bahraich. Launched.

Key Points

- Not only eastern Uttar Pradesh, but a large part of Bihar and a large population of Nepal will be benefited through this geo-satellite centre.
- Also, in the border areas, where there are some anti-national movements and propaganda is done by people involved in anti-national activities, this Doordarshan Kendra will play a big role in preventing that.
- The broadcast will be done in Bhojpuri language at Gorakhpur Doordarshan Geo-Satellite Center, which will give a platform to Bhojpuri theater workers.
- 50 lakh people will benefit from the transmitter of district Etawah.

MaNTrA Tracking App**Why in News**

- On December 5, 2021, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath inaugurated 5000 new health sub-centres, 15 BSL-2 laboratories and mother-newborn tracking app (Mantra) '**MaNTrA**' at his official residence.

Key Points

- On this occasion, he honored the ANMs for providing excellent services in maternal health and immunization services by presenting them with a citation. These include ANMs working in different districts.
- With the launch of these 5000 new centers, 15 BSL-2 laboratories and mother-newborn tracking app '**MaNTrA**', quality health facilities will be available to the citizens.
- These health sub-centres will be able to provide better health services to the people in the areas deprived of health facilities and backward districts.
- A health sub-centre is set up to provide facilities to a population of 5,000. These sub-centres are being set up in large numbers in aspirational and other backward districts.
- These 5,000 health sub-centres will provide health facilities to 2.5 to 3 crore people in a year.
- These sub-centres will enable women and children as well as people of other age groups to get health facilities closer to their homes. These health sub-centres will have a special role in the vaccination of children.

Inauguration of projects in Gorakhpur

Why in News

- On December 7, 2021, the Prime Minister of India, Narendra Modi inaugurated the projects set up at a cost of about 10 thousand crore rupees in Gorakhpur district. These projects are Hindustan Fertilizers and Rasayan Ltd. Gorakhpur, All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) Gorakhpur and ICMR- Regional Medical Research Center Gorakhpur.

Key Points

- About 12.7 lakh tonnes of neem-coated urea will be produced annually at the Gorakhpur Fertilizer Factory

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of Hindustan Fertilizers and Rasayan Limited, built at a cost of Rs 8603 crore.

- From this factory, sufficient quantities of urea will be available to the farmers of the state. Employment and self-employment opportunities will be generated in Purvanchal. Transportation service centers will be encouraged along with ancillary industries associated with fertilizer factories.
- It is noteworthy that the old Gorakhpur urea plant based on naphtha was established in 1969. This fertilizer factory was closed on June 10, 1990. A **four times bigger** green field urea plant has been installed by Hindustan Fertilizer Rasayan Limited in place of FCI's closed urea plant.
- In 2016, the Prime Minister laid the foundation stone of this fertilizer factory in Gorakhpur. The capacity of this new factory, built on the site of the fertilizer factory established earlier in Gorakhpur, is 4 times more.
- The height of the Prilling Tower of Gorakhpur Fertilizer Factory is **more than twice that of Qutub Minar**. The height of the Qutub Minar is 72.5 meters, while the height of the Priling Tower is 149.5 meters. The world's second tallest Priling Tower has been built by Agro Fertilizers Limited in Daharki, Pakistan. Its height is 125 meters, while the height of Gorakhpur Fertilizer Factory is about 25 meters more than this.
- The capacity of the Gorakhpur AIIMS, which is being built with a cost of about Rs 1011 crore, is 100 beds. The foundation stone of this central institute was laid by the Prime Minister in July 2016.
- Establishment of AIIMS Gorakhpur and Regional Medical Research Center will help in prevention of other infectious diseases including encephalitis. The state-of-the-art labs of the Regional Medical Research Center located in the BRD Medical College campus have been prepared at a cost of Rs 36 crores.

Announcement to Make Gorakhpur a 'Special Education Zone'

Why in News

- On December 10, 2021, Union Minister of State for Education, Skill and Entrepreneurship Development Dharmendra Pradhan announced to make Gorakhpur a 'Special Education Zone'.

Key Points

- The Union Minister made this announcement while addressing the concluding program of the **89th Founder's Week celebrations of Maharana Pratap Education Council**.
- Gorakhpur, developed as a knowledge city through three functional and one under construction universities, will be made a 'Special Education Zone' on the lines of '**Special Economic Zone**' as per the requirement of the new National Education Policy.
- The aim of the '**Special Education Sector**' is to prepare students as global citizens and solve the problems of the world through academic activities.
- Dharmendra Pradhan said that the new education policy has been prepared in line with the strategic change in the global scenario under the guidance of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The objective of the new education policy is to make India the number one country in the world and the children of India to be global citizens.

Haiderpur Wetland

Why in News

- Recently **Haiderpur Wetland of Western Uttar Pradesh has been recognized as 47th Ramsar site in the country and 10th in Uttar Pradesh and 2463rd in the world**, which has been confirmed by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

Key Points

- The **Haiderpur Wetland is spread over an area of 6908 hectares on the Muzaffarnagar-Bijnor border between the Ganges and the Solani River**. It is a part of **Hastinapur Wildlife Sanctuary**.
- Haiderpur Wetland is a **man-made lake**, which was **formed in 1984**. The biodiversity here attracts birds. **Exotic birds reach here by crossing the hills of Mongolia**.
- Also there are many species of dolphins, turtles, alligators, crocodiles, butterflies and deer etc. There are over 30 plant species and over 300 bird species, as well as over 40 fish species and over 102 waterfowl species.

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- A conference was held on 2 February 1971 in Ramsar, Iran. The countries involved in this signed an agreement related to the protection of wetlands and it **came into effect from December 21, 1975.**
- According to the Ramsar Convention, a wetland is a place that is **full of water for at least eight months in a year and is home to more than 200 species of birds.**

Free Ration Distribution Campaign Launched

Why in News

- On December 12, 2021, **Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath launched the free ration distribution campaign under the National Food Security Act.** On this occasion, the Chief Minister distributed free ration to 10 beneficiaries.

Key Points

- It is to be known that under this campaign, 15 crore people of the state will be distributed free ration from December 2021 to March 2022 through 80,000 ration shops.
- The Chief Minister said that in the scheme being implemented today, 1 liter edible oil, 1 kg salt, 1 kg pulses and 1 kg sugar are being provided to each Antyodaya card holder free of cost along with permissible food grains.
- Similarly, 1 liter of edible oil, 1 kg of salt and 1 kg of pulses are being provided free of cost to each eligible household card holder along with permissible food grains.
- It is worth noting that in the year 2020, from the month of April to November, 80 crore eligible people of the country including 15 crore needy people of Uttar Pradesh were benefited under the '**Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana**'. In the year 2020, the state government had also distributed free food grains for three months from April to June, which benefited 15 crore people of the state.
- In the year 2021, even during the second wave of Corona, the Central Government had implemented the scheme of distribution of free food grains from May, 2021 (Ram Navami) to Deepawali (7 months). Similarly, the state government also distributed free

food grains to Antyodaya and eligible household card holders till June, July and August, 2021.

- With a view to ensure that every needy gets ration, work is being done to re-launch this mega food grain distribution scheme and take it forward from Diwali to Holi.

Saryu Canal National Project

Why in News

- On December 11, 2021, Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicated the **Saryu Canal National Project** to the nation at a cost of Rs 9800 crore in Balrampur district of Uttar Pradesh.

Key Points

- It is known that the **work of the Saryu Canal National Project was started four decades ago in the Bahraich district during the tenure of Indira Gandhi** in the year 1978, then the cost of this project was less than 100 crores. In the year 1982, 9 districts including Balrampur were connected with this project.
- The length of this project is 318 km, while 6623 km long canal systems have been constructed, which are linked to this project. It was declared a national project in the year 2012.
- With this project, more than 30 lakh farmers of 6,227 villages of **Bahraich, Shravasti, Balrampur, Gonda, Siddharthnagar, Basti, Sant Kabir Nagar, Gorakhpur and Maharajganj districts of Uttar Pradesh** will be benefited and about 15 lakh hectares of these 9 districts will get irrigation facility.
- The Chief Minister said that the Saryu Canal National Project fulfills the dream of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee, '**River Connect Project**'. This project connects Ghaghara River with Saryu River, Saryu River with Rapti River, Rapti River with Banganga River and Banganga River with Rohin River respectively.
- With this project, the farmers of this area will be able to do other agricultural work like vegetable and horticulture. **The income of farmers will increase due to increase in agricultural production.**
- In order to double the income of farmers by the year 2022, about 100 irrigation projects have been targeted in the country and the work of taking forward these irrigation projects in a time bound manner has started.

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Out of the 18 projects that were selected under this scheme, 17 projects have been completed. With the completion of these 17 irrigation projects, 22 lakh hectares of land is getting irrigation facility.

Shrikashi Vishwanath Dham Corridor

Why in News

- On December 13, 2021, Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the new and grand **Shrikashi Vishwanath Dham Corridor** by unveiling the stone plaque in Varanasi district of Uttar Pradesh. This **corridor connects the ancient Kashi Vishwanath temple of Varanasi directly with the Ganga Ghat.**

Key Points

- Speaking on the occasion, the Prime Minister said that the new complex of Shrikashi Vishwanath Dham is not just a grand building. It is a symbol of India's eternal culture, spiritual soul, antiquity, traditions, energy and dynamism of India.
- Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath said that in the year 1777-1780, Maharani Ahilyabai Holkar of Indore had contributed a lot in the restoration of Baba Vishwanath. Maharaja Ranjit Singh had made the temple golden. The Rani of Gwalior had also contributed to the temple.
- Attempts were made to destroy the Kashi Vishwanath temple several times in the last one thousand years. This temple was first demolished by Qutubuddin Aibak in 1194 AD. The second attack on this temple was done by Sultan Mahmud Shah of Jaunpur in 1447 AD. In 1642 AD, Shah Jahan passed an order to demolish this temple.

Country's Largest Heliport in Noida

Why in news

- Recently, Noida Chief Executive Officer Ritu Maheshwari said that the Uttar Pradesh government has approved the proposal to build the **country's largest heliport in Noida.**

Key Points

- It is worth mentioning that the DPR, design and many other formalities of the heliport project have already been approved by the state government. The **Noida Development Administration** has been working on this project for the last 5 years.
- This heliport **will be built on 9.35 acres in Sector-151A of Noida on Public Private Partnership (PPP model)** and will **cost Rs 43.13 crore.**
- For the construction of the heliport company will be searched through a global tender. **The company that built it will be entrusted with the responsibility of operating this heliport for the next 30 years.**
- Noida Heliport will be constructed **on the lines of Jewar International Airport.** For this, the Noida Development Authority will provide the land only.
- The use of this heliport in Noida will be **multi-purpose.** Commercial flights (for which Bell-412 helicopters are used) will also be carried out from here. These helicopters can carry 12 passengers.
- The **world's largest helicopter Mi-172 used for the movements of VVIPs** will also be able to land-takeoff here. The capacity of these helicopters is to bring or carry 26 passengers. Noida Heliport has been designed keeping in mind the requirements of these large helicopters.
- It is noteworthy that **the place where the helicopter is parked is called a helipad** and where there are **one or more helipads, that area is called a heliport.**

All India Mayors Conference

Why in News

- On December 17, 2021 **All India Mayors Conference** was organized in the district of **Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh** through virtual medium.
- It was **launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.**
- This was **the first meeting of the All India Mayors Conference.**

Key Points

- The Chief Minister said that the **All India Mayors Conference is a part of a definite plan to take forward the development of urban areas.** By understanding

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this model of systematic development and sharing their experiences in this conference, about 120 mayors from different regions of the country can contribute in advancing the sustainable model of development.

- The Prime Minister said that **cities are the driving force of the economy**. Cities should be made hubs of a vibrant economy. A holistic system should be developed, where all the facilities develop together to form an ecosystem and which invites economic activities as well as encourages them.
- The Prime Minister said that Uttar Pradesh's '**One District One Product**' is an important scheme to develop self-employment. Through this scheme, work is being done to identify the traditional arts, handicrafts, entrepreneurship arts of the district and connect it with enterprise activities.
- He asked the mayors to **develop a unique identity of a specific product or place in their city**. He directed the mayors to prepare a list of street vendors in their city and link them with schemes and provide digital transactions and financial literacy.
- The Prime Minister asked the mayors to develop differently-abled friendly facilities in cities under the '**Accessible India Campaign**'.

PM Transfers Rs. 1,000 crore to accounts of 1.60 lakh Women Self-Help Groups

Why in News

- On December 22, 2021, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, while addressing over two lakh women representatives of self-help groups at Parade Ground near Sangam in Prayagraj, transferred Rs 1,000 crore to the accounts of 1.60 lakh women self-help groups.

Key Points

- On this occasion, the Prime Minister also laid the foundation of 202 '**Take Home Ration Plants**' in 43 districts in the '**Matri Shakti Mahakumbh**' in Prayagraj. Along with this, he transferred Rs 20 crore to the accounts of 1.01 lakh new beneficiaries of '**Mukhyamantri Kanya Sumangala Yojana**'.
- Throwing light on the '**Pushtahar Plant Project**' in different blocks, he said that this would benefit women

self-help groups as well as local farmers, who would supply them with raw materials. He said that more than 16 lakh women would be directly benefited by this ambitious project and nutritious food would be provided to the needy.

Chief Minister Gave Instructions to Set Up Drone Manufacturing Unit

Why in News

- On December 22, 2021, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath directed to prepare a concrete action plan for setting up a drone manufacturing unit in Uttar Pradesh in view of the importance of unmanned aircraft in various fields like disaster relief, agriculture and law and order.

Key Points

- Presiding over a meeting of senior officers in Lucknow, he also directed the officers to chart the rules and regulations on the use of drones and prepare a plan to compile the rich history of villages and cities of the state.
- He also proposed to start certificate or diploma courses on drone technology in industrial training institutes, for which necessary help would be taken from Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur.
- The Chief Minister asked the officers to document the rich mythological, historical and cultural history of the cities and village panchayats across the state, to compile the data in this regard and to the Urban and Rural Development Departments on the lines of Uttar Pradesh Divas, respectively, 'Gram Days'. And instructed to prepare a plan for celebrating 'city day'.

Foundation Stone of Amul Project in Varanasi

Why in News

- On December 23, 2021, Prime Minister Narendra Modi **laid the foundation stone of Amul's Banas-Kashi Sankul project** costing Rs 475 crore in Varanasi.

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- To ensure the quality and safety of dairy products, the Prime Minister also launched a certification mark, Dairy Mark, and digitally transferred a bonus amount of Rs 35 crore to the accounts of 1,70,000 farmers associated with Banas Dairy.
- A documentary based on the White Revolution was also presented on the occasion, in which the project and the concept of the ongoing state have been drawn.
- Under the Swamitva scheme, the Prime Minister distributed houses to 6 new landowners of the state with his own tax-lotus and distributed the house to 20 lakh families of the state.
- The Prime Minister inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of 27 projects worth a total of 2095 crores on the occasion. He also inaugurated the country's largest cow dung biogas plant at Ramnagar.
- It is to be known that **India produces about 22 percent of the world's milk. Uttar Pradesh is the largest milk producing state in the country.**

Defense Minister Lays Foundation Stone of BrahMos Missile Manufacturing Unit in Lucknow

Why in News

- On December 26, 2021, Union Defense Minister Rajnath Singh laid the foundation stone of **BrahMos Aerospace Cruise Missile Manufacturing Unit and Defense Technology Test Center of DRDO** in Lucknow.

Key Points

- BrahMos is a joint venture between Defense Research and Development Organization (DRDO) of India and NPOM, Russia to develop next generation supersonic missiles for the Indian Army.
- The BrahMos project is expected to create 5,500 new jobs, while the supporting supply chain will create an additional 10,000 jobs.
- It may be mentioned that the three wings of the Indian Defense Forces - the Army, Air Force and Navy - have already inducted the BrahMos advanced weapon system.

CM Launches Smartphone, Tablet Distribution Work to Students

Why in News

- On December 25, 2021, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath launched the distribution of one crore free smartphones and tablets on the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee, in another initiative to empower the youth of the state.

Key Points

- He presented one lakh smartphones and tablets to final year students at Bharat Ratna Atal Bihari Vajpayee Ekana Stadium in Lucknow.
- It is noteworthy that according to the announcement made by Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, one crore youth of the state will be given free smartphones and tablets to make them technologically advanced. Under this, he distributed 60,000 smartphones and 40,000 tablets to the youth in the first phase.
- On this occasion, the Chief Minister also launched 'Digi Shakti Portal' and 'Digi Shakti Adhyayan App'. Digi Shakti Study App is installed on all smartphones and tablets.
- The concerned university or department will provide the study material to the students through Digi Shakti Adhyayan App. Along with this, information about employment related schemes and other similar youth welfare schemes will also be given by the government through boot logo and wallpaper.

Uttar Pradesh in Good Governance Index, 2021

Why in News

- On the occasion of Good Governance Day on December 25, 2021, the **Good Governance Index (GGI)** was released by the **Union Home and Cooperation Minister Amit Shah**, in which **Uttar Pradesh has got 5th rank in Group 'B'**.

Key Points

- In the GGI-2021, the ranking has been given by dividing the states and union territories into four categories -

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Group A, Group B, North Eastern and Hill States, Union Territories. **58 indicators from 10 sectors have been considered for preparing GGI-2021.**

- **Uttar Pradesh has secured 5th rank in Group 'B' with a score of 4.628** in the overall ranking of Good Governance Index, while **Madhya Pradesh has been ranked first in Group 'B'. Gujarat has secured first rank in Group 'A'.**
- Uttar Pradesh has increased its score by 8.9 percent as compared to the previous index (2019). Last time its score was 4.25, which has now increased to 4.63.
- Uttar Pradesh has basically made reforms in the social welfare and development and judicial and public security sectors.
- The Good Governance Index is based on 10 sectors, in which Uttar Pradesh's ranking and score are as follows-

Sectors	UP Ranking	Score
1. Agriculture and Allied Sectors	7th	0.435
2. Commerce and Industry Sector	1st	0.680
3. Human Resource Development Sector	2nd	0.568
4. Public Health Sector	8th	0.167
5. Public Infrastructure and Utility Sectors	7th	0.537
6. Economic Governance Sector	7th	0.337
7. Social Welfare and Development	7th	0.448
8. Judicial and Public Security	3rd	0.322
9. Environmental Sector	4th	0.333
10. Citizen Centric Governance	2nd	0.802

Uttar Pradesh in NITI Aayog Health Index 2021

Why in News

- On December 27, 2021, government think tank **NITI Aayog released the fourth edition of its health index for 2019-20**, ranking states on the basis of overall health performance. In this, **Uttar Pradesh ranks last in terms of overall health performance among large states, while Kerala is at the top.**

Key Points

- The report was divided into **three parts - large states, small states and union territories. Among the smaller states, Mizoram was the best performing state while Nagaland remained at the bottom.**
- According to the NITI Aayog report, Chandigarh tops the Union Territories, followed by Dadra and Nagar Haveli at number two and Delhi at number three.
- **Uttar Pradesh ranks last among 19 states in terms of overall health performance among large states with a score of 30.57**, however, in terms of incremental performance by registering the highest incremental change from the base year (2018-19) to the reference year (2019-20) In Uttar Pradesh topped.
- In terms of overall health performance among large states, Kerala ranks first with a score of 82.20, followed by Tamil Nadu with a score of 72.42 and Telangana at the third position with a score of 69.96.
- NITI Aayog's Health Index is a weighted composite score consisting of 24 indicators covering key aspects of health performance.

PM Flags off Kanpur Metro Rail

Why in News

- On December 28, 2021, Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the completed section of the Kanpur Metro Rail project in the metropolis of Kanpur and took a metro ride with Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath and Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri.

Key Points

- The Prime Minister, accompanied by Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, traveled by the new Kanpur Metro train to inspect the 9 km long stretch from IIT Kanpur to Motijheel.
- The metro rail project in Kanpur has a total length of 32 km and is being built at a cost of over Rs 11,000 crore.
- During his visit to Kanpur, the Prime Minister also inaugurated the **Bina-Panki multi-product pipeline** laid at a cost of over Rs 1,500 crore. The 356 km long project has a capacity of about 3.45 million metric tonnes per annum. The project, spanning from Bina Refinery in Madhya Pradesh to Panki in Kanpur Nagar, will help in transportation of petroleum products from Bina Refinery in the region.



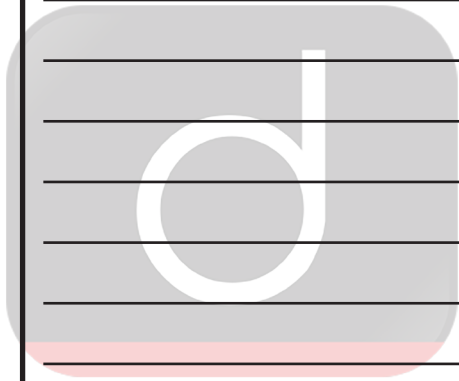
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