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## Chief Minister inaugurates 'Chief Minister Command Center and CM Dashboard'

### Why in News?

On July 30, 2023, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath inaugurated the 'Mukhyamantri Command Centre and CM Dashboard' at Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Bhawan (Annexe), Lucknow.

### Key Points:

- The purpose of setting up the Chief Minister's Command Centre & CM Dashboard is to capture data and speed up the efforts started to move the economy of Uttar Pradesh. At the same time, the satisfaction of the common people has to be linked to it. We have to use technology to solve their problems. With this, every activity of each district can be monitored.
- It is known that the Chief Minister's Command Centre & CM Dashboard will be used to monitor the work being done by officers of different levels in services/schemes/ projects in various departments from the highest level.
- Cm Dashboard has been set up as an integrated portal for evaluation of officers of various levels in all government projects, through which data based quality monitoring system has been developed.
- A total of 588 projects of 53 departments have been integrated on the CM dashboard. All the 93 departments of the state will be connected to this dashboard in a phased manner.
- These will be reviewed fortnightly by the Chief Secretary and reviewed every month by the Chief Minister's Office.
- With this, the grading of officers posted in districts and fields will also be decided and it also shows in which area hard work is needed.
- The Chief Minister said that earlier due to lack of data collection regarding the works being done by various departments and their progress, accurate information about the development works done in the state was not available. Therefore, the government started capturing the correct data in this regard, so

that the correct and good condition of the state can be revealed.



## The Chief Minister Transferred Rs 51.52 crore Online to the Bank Accounts of the Beneficiaries of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban)

### Why in News?

On July 31, 2023, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath transferred Rs 51.52 crore online to the bank accounts of 5,100 beneficiaries of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) in Gorakhpur.

### Key Points:

- This includes 250 beneficiaries of the first installment, 2,602 beneficiaries of the second installment and 2,248 beneficiaries of the third installment.
- On the occasion, he also presented symbolic keys of housing to 12 beneficiaries of the scheme.
- The Uttar Pradesh government has so far provided houses to 42,600 beneficiaries in Gorakhpur district under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban).
- Out of this, 35,500 houses have been completed and the beneficiaries are living in their houses there.
- In the last 6 years, houses have been provided to 61,184 beneficiaries in rural areas also.
- In this way, about 1 lakh 4 thousand beneficiaries in urban and rural areas have been provided houses under the Prime Minister's Housing Scheme.

Note:

## CM reviewed the works of Civil Aviation Department

### Why in News?

On August 1, 2023, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath reviewed the work of the Civil Aviation Department at a high-level meeting convened at his official residence and gave necessary directions in the larger public interest.

### Key Points:

- In the review meeting, the Chief Minister directed to increase the capacity of Prayagraj Airport from 300 passengers to 500 passengers along with the expansion of capacity and civic amenities of Prayagraj Airport before Prayagraj Kumbh.
- The Chief Minister said that for better connectivity of Jewar Airport, RRTS or Light Metro should be arranged there.
- At present, Uttar Pradesh has three international airports and 17 airstrips. Out of which 08 airstrips are under Indian Air Force.
- It is known that freight traffic in Uttar Pradesh increased from 5895 MT in the year 2016-2017 to 20,813 MT in the year 2022-23. In the year 2016-2017, the air traffic in the state was 46,585, while in the year 2022-2023, this number has increased to 82,615.
- Along with air flights, the number of passengers has also increased significantly. In the year 2016-2017, 59.97 lakh passengers have travelled by air, while in 2022-2023, 96.02 lakh passengers have availed of air travel.

## Kashi's Priya Singh made world's Greatest record with her amazing painting of Shriram Temple

### Why in News?

According to information received from the media on August 3, 2023, Priya Singh, a BFA final year student of Kashi, has made a world record by painting an amazing art of Shri Ram Temple. Priya has created a new record in the world by making this painting in 26 hours on the plyboard through 2,726 nails.

### Key Points:

- Additional District Judge Rakesh Pandey inaugurated the painting at the BR Foundation premises in Pandeypur. Judge Rakesh Pandey said that in this painting, inspiring stories of Lord Shri Ram's life are hidden.
- The World's Greatest Record is one of the world's largest records. Priya Singh of Purandarpur village of the district has succeeded in achieving this. She learned the art of painting from painter Poonam Rai. With her inspiration, she has prepared a huge painting of the Shri Ram temple in Ayodhya.



Note:

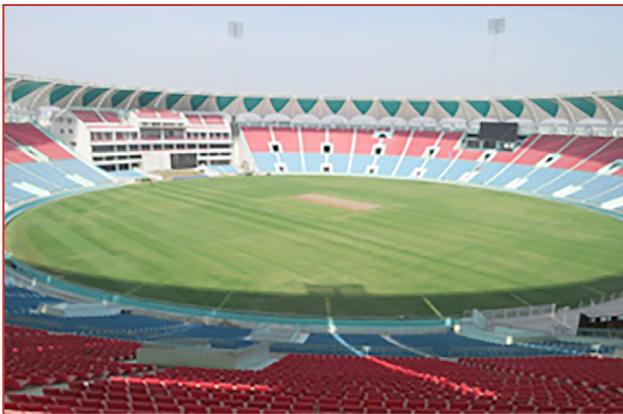
## ICC and BCCI's green signal to Ekana Stadium Pitch for ICC Cricket World Cup Match

### Why in News?

According to the information received from the media on August 5, 2023, the ICC and BCCI team has given the green signal to the pitch of Lucknow's Ekana Stadium for the ICC Cricket World Cup match.

### Key Points:

- Significantly, on August 4, the team of International Cricket Council (ICC) and Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) inspected the Ekana Stadium. This team had taken information about all the nine pitches, outfield and other facilities.
- The biggest Mahakumbh of cricket will start from October 5. The opening match of this Mahakumbh will be played between defending champion England and runner-up New Zealand in Ahmedabad.
- 5 matches of World Cup 2023 will be played at Ekana Cricket Stadium in Lucknow. This is the first time that Lucknow will host the Cricket World Cup. The first match of the tournament will be played between Australia and South Africa on October 13 at Ekana Stadium.
- After five matches of the ICC World Cup 2023, Lucknow has got the opportunity to host 37 matches of the Senior Women's Inter Zonal 20-20 and Women's Under-23 ODI Cricket Trophy. All these matches will be played at the Bharat Ratna Atal Bihari Vajpayee Ekana Cricket Stadium. This will be the first time in the history of Lucknow, when it will host such a large number of cricket matches.



## Report of Uttar Pradesh Vidhan Sabha Procedure and Conduct of Business Rules-2023 Presented in Vidhansabha

### Why in News?

On August 7, 2023, the report of Uttar Pradesh Vidhan Sabha's Procedure and Conduct of Business Rules-2023 was presented in the Vidhan Sabha. Legislators will be able to propose amendments on this till August 8 and there is a plan to discuss & approve the rules on August 9 in the House.

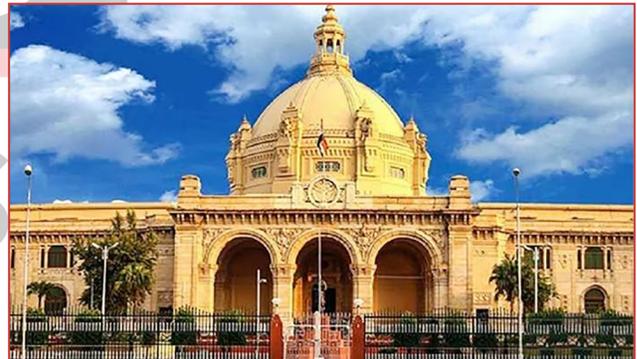
### Key Points:

- In the Uttar Pradesh Vidhan Sabha Procedure and Conduct of Business Rules-2023, a provision has been made to make the proceedings of the House online as much as possible under e-Vidhan.
- After the approval, the winter session of the Vidhan Sabha will be conducted under the new rules. Other information including answers to the questions of the MLAs can be taken online from the department concerned and will be given to the MLAs online only.
- In the rules, the conduct and behavior of the legislators in the House have been fixed-
- Legislators will not be able to tear any document in the House.
- In the course of his speech, he will not point to any stranger or admire him.
- The MLAs will neither be able to stand nor sit with their backs towards the Speaker.
- Neither will they be able to bring weapons in the House, nor will they be able to display them.

Note:



- Will not be able to distribute any such literature, questionnaire, booklet, press note, pamphlets, which are not related to the house.
- Can't smoke.
- He will neither talk nor laugh so loudly in the lobby that it is heard in the House.
- The session of Vidhan Sabha can now be called on seven days' notice-
- Presently this arrangement is on 15 days' notice. On behalf of the government, information will have to be given to the assembly secretariat seven days before the date of calling the session.
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- The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, Leader of the House or with the permission of the House will be able to change the order of business.
- The legislators will also be informed about the convening of the session through email and mobile message.
- Prohibition on taking names of officials-
- Legislators may not impeach the conduct of persons in high authority unless the discussion is based on a properly placed substantive motion.
- Members shall not use their right of speech to obstruct the work of the House. Will not mention the names of government officials.
- Will not use the name of the state for the purpose of influencing the debate.
- Will not be able to read the written speech without the permission of the Speaker or the Chair. Will not be able to give instructions to a stranger sitting in any gallery.
- According to the rules, the new rules of the assembly should be discussed in the house for 14 days, but due to the session being of only five days, the rules can be discussed till Friday only.
- Increment will stop on reprimand
- In the rules, it is proposed to give the right of reprimand and fine to the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly in cases of breach of privilege.
- The Speaker can reprimand or impose fines on the officers, employees or other person for not answering the questions of the Assembly or for disobeying the order.
- Reprimanding or imposing a fine on any officer or employee will affect their increment and promotion.
- Maximum two supplementary questions can be asked on a starred question-
- Now only two supplementary questions can be asked on any starred question in the assembly. The MLA who asked the original question will get priority in asking supplementary questions. If there is more than one questionnaire, then the second priority will be given to the second questionnaire.
- The MLA will have to give his questions in writing or online to the Principal Secretary of the Legislative Assembly three days before the commencement of the session. The Secretary has to obtain the permission of the Speaker within 24 hours. Answers to unstarred questions will be laid on the Table of the House on the same day.
- To attract the attention of the House on subjects related to public interest, the members will have to give online or offline information in two copies to the Principal Secretary of the Legislative Assembly one hour before the commencement of the proceedings of the House.
- Information related to attracting attention will have to be presented by the government to the concerned member or the assembly secretariat within a maximum of 30 days (about 4 and a half weeks).



## **Amroha's Sonam won Gold Medal in Triple Jump in Canada**

### **Why in News?**

On August 6, 2023, Sonam of Amroha district won the gold medal by jumping 13 meters 32 cm in the triple jump in the World Police Games going on in Vinitak city of Canada.

Note:

**Key Points:**

- According to the information, in the World Police Games held from July 28 to August 6 in the Canadian city of Vinitak, Sonam has won the gold medal in triple jump (Trikoood) by jumping 13 meters 32 cm long, leaving behind Hong Kong and South Korean players.
- Sonam had won the silver medal five days ago with a long jump of 5 meters 85 centimeters. She was only 18 cm short of winning the gold.
- It is known that this was the second time for Sonam, a player of triple jump (Tri kud) and long jump, to participate in the World Police Games. His only goal was to bring a gold medal for the country in this international competition.
- Significantly, Sonam, daughter of Rajveer Singh, a farmer from Mohammadpur village of Rajabpur, is a head constable in CISF Delhi. He is also an athlete. Sonam also won a gold and a silver medal in the Games held in China in the year 2019. Not only this, in March 2023, Sonam also won the gold medal in the 71st All India Police Athletics Competition.
- In the same year, Sonam was also selected as the best player of the police department of the country. Earlier, he could not be selected in the Asian Games. She fell behind by three centimeters in the trials.



## Uttar Pradesh Government Doubled the Allowance of Jailed Prisoners and Convicted Prisoners

**Why in News?**

On August 8, 2023, Joint Secretary of Uttar Pradesh Prisons Department Shivgopal Singh issued a government order stating that the state government has increased the allowance for labour of prisoners and convicted prisoners in jails.

**Key Points:**

- At present, skilled, semi-skilled and unskilled prisoners in the state jails get a daily allowance of Rs 40, Rs 30

and Rs 25. The cabinet has now increased this amount to Rs 81, Rs 60 and Rs 50.

- After 2011, this amount has now been increased in view of inflation.
- In the event of conviction, 15% reduction in remuneration will continue to be done as before.
- These rates have been implemented with immediate effect.
- These remuneration rates have been implemented in the context of the Allahabad High Court's decision of September 27, 2022.



## The 1st Riverfront of Banaras will be built at Garhwa Ghat

**Why in News?**

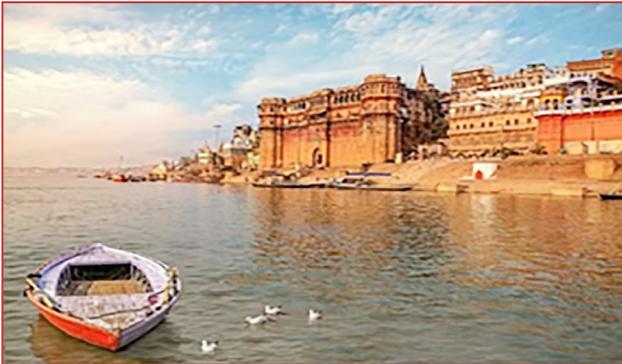
On August 9, 2023, Uttar Pradesh Tourism Department Deputy Director R.K. Rawat said that there is a plan to build a riverfront in Banaras of the state on the lines of big metros. Preparations have been started, which will add another link to the chapter on tourism in Banaras.

**Key Points:**

- A riverfront will be built at Garhwa Ghat on the banks of the Ganga adjacent to the highway in Banaras. Like Namoo Ghat, this ghat will also be decorated and made a big centre of tourism. This will take riverfront tourism to greater heights.
- The proposal for this scheme has been sent to the government by the Tourism Department. Garhwa Ghat will be converted into a riverfront at a cost of about Rs 9 crore.
- It is known that since the construction of the Kashi Vishwanath Corridor, the attraction of tourists has increased towards Varanasi. The number of tourists visiting the uninterrupted serene Ganga from the ghats and boating to other tourist places in the city is increasing day by day. In such a situation, the Tourism Department is developing this city further in terms of tourism.
- Food court, kids zone, parking, attractive tables and chairs, green gardens under the greenery, sheds, selfie points etc. will be available to tourists here.

Note:

- According to officials, Garhwa Ghat, located at one end of the city, will be the centre of attraction. Everyone will have easy access here. Tourists will also be able to come here easily through the inner path of the city and through the Ganges. Due to its proximity to the highway, people will be able to come here.



## **U.P. Govt. introduced 4 bills in the Assembly**

### **Why in News?**

On August 10, 2023, the Uttar Pradesh government passed the Uttar Pradesh Assembly elections. Four bills, including the Criminal Law (Prevention of Offences and Abolition of Trials) Amendment Bill, 2023, were introduced, which were passed.

### **Key Points:**

- Parliamentary Affairs Minister Suresh Khanna said in the House that by December 31, 2021, cases under Sections 107 and 109 of the CrPC will be abolished by paying a mitigation fee or ending automatically in the state.
- Significantly, in old cases, the accused do not appear on repeated summons. In such a situation, the number of pending promises increases. Now the time of the courts will be saved.

- Discussing the Uttar Pradesh Goods and Services Tax (Amendment) Bill, Parliamentary Affairs Minister Suresh Khanna said it will facilitate small businesses to do business through E-Commerce operators. So far, traders with low turnover could not be registered. For this reason, its obligation under GST has been abolished.
- Higher Education Minister Yogendra Upadhyay said in the Assembly that the way has been cleared for the establishment of a law university in the name of the country's first President Dr. Rajendra Prasad. It will start with 60 students. The process of appointments is also going on.
- This will increase the level of education in the state and increase competition between government and private universities.
- Along with this, the Uttar Pradesh National Law University Prayagraj (Amendment) Bill, 2023 and the UP Private Universities (Third Amendment) Bill, 2023 were also passed.



## **U.P. to get national award for E-Governance in Health Services**

### **Why is News?**

According to information received from media sources on August 13, 2023, the Uttar Pradesh government will be honoured by the Central Government for E-Governance in Health Services.

### **Key Points:**

- The Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Government of India has selected National Health Mission-Uttar Pradesh (NHM-UP) for the Silver Award for 'Maa Newborn Tracking Application' (MANTRA), a project initiative for 'Delivery Point Health Facilities'.
- The trophies and certificates will be presented during the 26<sup>th</sup> National Conference on E-Governance (NCEG) proposed to be held at Indore (MP) on August 24-25, 2023.

Note:

- This award is being given to NHM-UP under Category-1 for E-Governance Plan 2023 under 'Government Process Re-Engineering for Digital Transformation'.
- The recognition of the MANTRA App as a tool for E-Governance by the Government of India is a big achievement for the state, as UP is the first state to promote online MIS for the labour room.
- Under the Silver Award, NHM-UP will be awarded a cash prize of Rs 5 lakh along with a certificate and trophy for this project. Also, each team member (4 people including the project head) will also be given a certificate and trophy.
- Through the MANTRA app launched by the Health Department, all the information about how much delivery took place at which centre and delivery facilities is easily available.
- Other information related to the birth, vaccination and delivery of the newborn baby is made available by the nurse & the ward boy online through this app. Apart from this, the health-related statistics of pregnant women have also become digital. While admitting a pregnant woman, the time of admission, her health condition and the treatment being given are fed by the staff nurse.
- This has made it easier to track the mother and baby. Online monitoring has improved the quality of institutional deliveries and improved mother-newborn health statistics. Digitization of delivery centres has also been done with the aim to improve maternal and newborn health.

## **A New IT Hub to be built in Lucknow**

### **Why is News?**

On August 13, 2023, officials of the Uttar Pradesh state government have confirmed that preparations have started to build the state's new IT hub in the state capital Lucknow.

### **Key Points:**

- The Uttar Pradesh Rajkiya Nirman Nigam (UPRNN) has already prepared a blueprint to set up an IT hub on 40 acres of land in the Nadarganj industrial area of Amausi on Kanpur Road.

- The IT hub will be divided into three parts, which include IT Park, Business Park and International Incubation Facility Centre. The proposed IT hub will be one of the largest IT hubs in the country.
- According to the blueprint of the IT hub, the IT park is to be constructed on 11.47 acres, while the business park will be developed on 7.4 acres. At the same time, an International Incubation Facility Centre will be built on 6.9 acres. Also, 8.7 acres of land will be developed as a green area for environmental protection.
- In addition, a network of roads will be built in 5.8 acres to ensure connectivity between buildings built in the IT hub.
- According to the blueprint, an IT park, business park and international incubation facility centre will be built in the six-storey building, including basement and ground.
- These 3 buildings will also have their own parking facility. The hydraulic parking system will be used in their basement parking.
- According to the proposal, the IT hub will be set up as a large incubator in the country with six important wings including women entrepreneur hub, skill and knowledge academy, prototyping centre, research and innovation circle, emerging tech wing and U hub innovation hub.
- All these wings are planned to be developed on 5 acres of land. It will have many such features, which will attract people.

## **World Class Convention Centre to be built in Agra**

### **Why is News?**

On August 16, 2023, Agra Development Authority (ADA) Vice President Charchit Gaur told that a world-class convention centre will be built for Rs 140 crore to promote tourism at Etmadpur Madra, located on the Inner Ring Road in Agra.

### **Key Points:**

- Gaur said that in-principle approval has been received for the DPR of this convention centre, which will be taken in size in 7.4418 hectares. The ADA made a presentation in front of Additional Chief Secretary Urban Housing Nitin Ramesh Gokarn in Lucknow.

Note:

- The Vice Chairman of Agra Development Authority said that ADA has acquired land on 7.4418 hectares of land in Etmadpur Madra. A proposal was sent for the DPR of the convention centre. It has been approved. Now work will be done on the action plan to prepare it.
- This convention centre will have a grand auditorium, meeting & conference hall, stage & hotel, where tourists will get world-class facilities.

## **National Police Medal to 89 Policemen of Uttar Pradesh**

### **Why is News?**

On the occasion of Independence Day on August 15, 2023, 12 policemen of the Uttar Pradesh Police were awarded Gallantry Medals, six policemen were awarded police medals for distinguished service and 71 were awarded police medals for meritorious service.

### **Key Points**

- The gallantry medal (PMG) was given to STF Deputy SP Dharmendra Kumar Shahi, Inspector Satya Prakash Singh (PMG for the second time), Chief Constable Yashwant Singh (PMG for the second time), ADG Mohit Aggarwal, SP Vipin Tanda, SP Anil Kumar Mishra, Additional Superintendent of Police Tribhuvan Singh, Inspector Rakesh Singh, Sub-Inspector Dinesh Kumar Gautam, Constable Mohammad Imran, Praveen Kumar, Naveen Kumar Yadav.
- The President's Police Medal for Meritorious Services (PPM) was given to ADG Zone Prayagraj Bhanu Bhaskar, DIG EOW Akhilesh Kumar Nigam, Inspector Mohammad Hashim, Rajveer Singh, Pramod Kumar Mishra, Sub Inspector Dinesh Pratap Singh.
- It is known that the state police could not get the President's Gallantry Medal (PPMG) this time too.

## **Uttar Pradesh Police Anthem Song launched**

### **Why is News?**

On August 16, 2023, the anthem song of the Uttar Pradesh Police was released on all important platforms of social media.

### **Key Points:**

- "Chattanon ki zid pighla di, Bazu ko aag banaya hai, kaandhe par Sitare nhin humne U.P. ka Maan sajaya hai..." Uttar Pradesh Police has released this anthem song.
- The song has been written by lyricist Ritesh Rajwada while Kunwar Anshit has sung it. At the same time, editing has been done by Vaibhav Nayak in collaboration with the social media team of the police headquarters.
- The Amrit Mahotsav of Independence, which began on March 12, 2021, with an aim to commemorate 75 years of independent India and the glorious history of its residents, culture and achievements, concluded on August 15, 2023.
- After a year of tireless hard work to blend the spirit of sacrifice and penance of Khaki, an anthem song of Uttar Pradesh Police has been made, which was released on all important platforms of social media on August 16.
- In less than 24 hours, it was viewed by nearly 66 thousand people on Twitter and retweeted by more than 800 people. Also, this anthem song of UP Police is also being shared by the police and central forces of different states through their social media accounts.



## **Four-day Y-20 (Youth Conference) begins in Varanasi**

### **Why is News?**

On August 17, 2023, a four-day Y-20 (Youth Conference) began in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh. The formal inauguration will be done by Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath in the presence of Union Minister Anurag Thakur on August 18.

### **Key Points:**

- The conference is being organised by the Department of Youth Affairs, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports under the framework of India's G20 Presidency.

Note:

- Around 150 delegates from G-20 member countries, guest countries and international organisations were identified by the Y-20 on five themes: Future of Work: Industry 4.0, Innovation and 21st Century Skills, Peacebuilding and Reconciliation: Beginning of a Warless Era, Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction: Making Sustainability a Lifestyle, Shared Future: Youth in Democracy and Governance, Health, Wellness and Sports: Brainstorm on agenda for youth.
- The Y-20 Summit is the culmination of the inaugural meeting in Guwahati, 14 Youth-20 consultations held in premier educational institutions, pre-summit in Leh, Ladakh, brainstorming sessions, Y-20 Chaupal and various public participation programmes organized ahead of the main Y-20 Summit across the country.
- The objective of this summit is to provide opportunities for collaboration and networking with other stakeholders, contribute to the development of youth and deliberate on the youth agenda on the global stage.
- The Y-20 Summit is the culmination of various meetings, including the inaugural meeting in Guwahati, the pre-summit in Leh, Ladakh and various public participation events held across the country ahead of the main summit.
- Around 150 delegates from G-20 countries, guest countries and international organisations are participating in the four-day summit.
- The four-day conference will bring together leading experts, decision-makers, national and international representatives of G-20 countries, knowledge partners (IIM Raipur), and academic partners (universities/institutes).



## Didi Cafe to be opened in 17 municipal corporation cities of U.P.

### Why is News?

On August 21, 2023, District Urban Development Agency (DUDA) officer Kaushal Kumar informed that Didi

Cafes are to be opened in 17 municipal corporations of the state under the Urban Livelihood Mission. A suitable place for this will be selected soon.

### Key Points:

- On the lines of Varanasi, the price of food items available in Didi Cafe, which will be opened in government offices, will be low.
- Under the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana, women of self-help groups in the city will run these cafes.
- In the first phase, these cafes will be opened in Lucknow, Kanpur, Ghaziabad, Agra, Aligarh, Bareilly, Meerut, Moradabad, Saharanpur, Prayagraj, Gorakhpur, Varanasi, Ayodhya, Jhansi, Firozabad, Shahjahanpur and Mathura-Vrindavan.
- The main objective of starting Didi Cafe is to provide employment opportunities to women associated with urban poor support groups and people will get clean food at reasonable prices.
- Based on the experience of the canteen running in Varanasi, the proposal will be prepared from DUDA. On the basis of this proposal, Didi Cafes will be started in all the bodies.



## U.P. Govt. will also give free books to students of class 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>

### Why is News?

2023, in a high-level meeting held at the government level, it has been decided that books will be given free of cost to the students of class 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>.

Note:

**Key Points:**

- Students studying in class 9th to class 12th in 2428 government secondary schools in Uttar Pradesh will also be given free books.
- For this, the government will have to spend extra. The government will spend Rs 19.70 crore to make these books available.
- There are many more states in the country, where this facility is given to students already studying in government schools. These include Gujarat, Uttarakhand, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Himachal Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu. Now Uttar Pradesh will also be included in this list.



## Schools will Open in the Evening for the First Time on August 23 in Uttar Pradesh

**Why in News?**

On August 21, 2023, the Yogi Adityanath government gave instructions to make arrangements to open the schools for the first time in the evening on August 23, following instructions received from the Department of School Education and Literacy, Union Ministry of Education.

**Key Points:**

- Principles and Basic Education Officers have been instructed to conduct a special meeting with students and teachers from schools & educational institutions from 5.15 pm to 6.15 pm.
- During this, the school children of the state will watch the landing of Chandrayaan-3 through a live telecast on TV or YouTube channel. This is an important step for Indian science, engineering, technology and industry.
- It is known that on August 23, at 5:27 pm, the process of landing on the moon of Chandrayaan-3 will be broadcast live on the ISRO website (<https://www.isro.gov.in/>) and ISRO's official YouTube channel & DD National.
- The moon landing of India's Chandrayaan-3 is a momentous occasion, which will not only kindle curiosity but also kindle a passion for exploration in the minds of the youth.

- UGC has also appealed to higher educational institutions that everyone's eyes will be on the safe landing of Chandrayaan. In this sequence, the UGC has appealed to give information about the journey to the moon to students through higher educational institutions across the country.



## CM's Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme

**Why in News?**

On August 22, 2023, the cabinet under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath approved the proposal to expand the 'Chief Minister's Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme' (Higher Education) to include all graduate pass youth.

**Key Points**

- Under the scheme, the cabinet has given consent to reimbursement of Rs 1000 in the stipend given by the private establishments to the trainees by the state government.
- In this scheme, the amount of stipend has also been increased to Rs 9 thousand per month. In this, one thousand rupees will be reimbursed by the state government, while the remaining amount will be provided by the central government and entrepreneurs.

Note:

- In this amount, 50 percent, i.e. Rs.4500, is given by the Government of India and 50 percent by the respective institutes of Rs.3500. Now the state government will give an additional Rs 1000 to the amount given by the institute.
- The government has made a provision of Rs 100 crore for this in 2023-24 and the education department has been made the nodal department for this.
- Through the proposed scheme, private sector institutions will be encouraged to employ more and more non-technical diploma holder and degree holder youth as trainees.
- Under the scheme, non-technical diploma holders and graduate youth of the state will get employment for one year, while private and government institutions will get skilled personnel.



## Winners honored at the Closing Ceremony of Wrestling Competition in Gorakhpur

### Why In News?

On August 21, 2023, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath honored the winning players with Uttar Pradesh 'Kesari', Uttar Pradesh 'Kumar' and Uttar Pradesh 'Veer Abhimanyu' awards at the closing ceremony of the two-day wrestling competition organized in district Gorakhpur.

### Key Points:

- The state government along with the sports lovers of Gorakhpur organized this wrestling competition and made it interesting with mass participation.
- Uttar Pradesh 'Kesari' award winner Jonty was given Rs 01 lakh 01 thousand and mace and runner-up Viresh Kundu was given Rs 51 thousand.

- Uttar Pradesh 'Kumar' award winner Saurabh Yadav was given Rs 51,000 and mace and runner-up Baghel Yadav was given Rs 25,000.
- Aditya Yadav, who won the Uttar Pradesh 'Veer Abhimanyu' award, was given Rs 51,000 and mace and runner-up Vineet was given Rs 25,000.
- Apart from these, volleyball player Yuvraj Pratap Singh, wrestler Saurabh Yadav and tennis ball player Aman Raj were also honored.
- The central and state governments have provided a platform for sports and sportspersons to showcase their talent through sporting events like 'Khelo India' and 'Sansad Khel Mahakumbh'.



## Uttar Pradesh International Trade Show- 2023

### Why is News?

According to information received from the media on August 24, 2023, the Uttar Pradesh government is organizing the Uttar Pradesh International Trade Show-2023 for the first time, which will be held from September 21 to 25, 2023 at the India Expo Center and Mart located in Greater Noida.

### Key Points:

- Under the Uttar Pradesh International Trade Show-2023, exhibitions will be held from September 21 to 25, as well as seminars and cultural activities.

Note:

- Producers doing good business at the trade show will be rewarded. More than 2000 manufacturers and exporters from different sectors will participate in the exhibition.
- The exhibition, spread over 50,000 square metres in 15 halls of the India Expo Mart, will also showcase a district, a product such as Pink Meenakari and Silk from Banaras, Shazar Stone from Banda, perfumes from Kannauj, Chikankari from Lucknow, Brass Ware from Moradabad and Black Pottery from Azamgarh.
- The entry of people in the trade show will be free, so that maximum participation of the general public can be done.
- The government has given the responsibility to the Greater Noida Authority and administration at the district level to make the event a success.
- Schools, colleges, RWAs, AOA's and entrepreneurs will be roped in to promote the first international trade show on a large scale.



## G20 Culture Ministers' Meeting under the Chairmanship of India Concluded in Varanasi

### Why in News?

On August 26, 2023, the G20 Culture Ministers' meeting under the chairmanship of India was held in Varanasi. The meeting was attended by G20 members

and culture ministers & dignitaries from the invited countries along with representatives of international organizations.

### Key Points:

- Under the aegis of the Ministry of Culture, the G20 Culture Working Group under the chairmanship of India is engaged in shaping concrete action-oriented outcomes for the four priority areas articulated by India's CWG.
- This discussion is being pursued through sustained consultations through CWG meetings, bilateral sessions and a series of global thematic webinars. The Culture Ministers' Meeting (CMM) was the culmination of all the discussions, deliberations and initiatives of the previous meetings.
- G20 Culture Ministers agreed to harness the transformative power of culture to address today's multidimensional development challenges, such as climate change, rising inequalities and the impact of digital transformation among others & the need to shape more inclusive societies which are based on full respect for the diversity and recognition of the equal dignity of all cultures.
- The outcome document of the meeting of the Culture Ministers of India has been named as 'Kashi Sanskriti Marg'. It summarizes the commitments and consensus made by the G20 Culture Ministers on the priorities expressed by the G20 Culture Working Group under India's G20 Presidency.
- The G20 MOC has unanimously adopted an outcome document titled Kashi Sanskriti Marg.
- The report 'G20 Culture: Shaping the Global Narrative for Inclusive Growth' was launched by the G20 Culture Ministers during the G20 Culture Ministers' meeting. It includes insights and recommendations from the expert-driven global thematic webinars on the four priorities articulated by the Indian Presidency to be held during March-April 2023. This concise publication documents the proceedings of the Global Thematic Webinar organized under the G20 Presidency of India.
- The Culture Ministers released a special edition postage stamp. This special stamp was launched to commemorate the Hallmark campaign 'Culture Unites All', an initiative of the Culture Working Group under India's G20 Presidency. During the Commonwealth Games, the campaign 'Culture unites all' stood as a testimony to India's unwavering faith in multilateralism for inclusive growth.

Note:

- Thereafter, the Culture Ministers and delegates witnessed the G20 Orchestra- 'Sur Vasudha' organized by the Culture Working Group under the G20 Chairmanship of India. 'Sur Vasudha' or Treasure of Tunes celebrates the rich musical knowledge and heritage of G20 member countries & guest countries.
- In the spirit of 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam' or 'One Earth, One Family, One Future', the concert featured music and musical instruments from G20 members & guest countries. This common platform for musicians aims to promote inclusion & diversity, to encourage the exchange of ideas and international collaboration through music.
- The key outcomes of the Culture Ministers' meeting will be part of the ambitious and collective actions that G20 leaders will discuss during the G20 New Delhi Summit in September 2023.



## U.P.'s Geetika Shrivastava appointed as Chargé d'Affaires in Pakistan

### Why is News?

According to information received from the media on August 28, 2023, the Government of India has appointed Geetika Shrivastava, a resident of Uttar Pradesh, as a Charge d'Affaire in Pakistan.

### Key Points:

- According to the information, Geetika Shrivastava, a resident of Uttar Pradesh, has been appointed In-charge of the Indian Embassy in Pakistan. She has replaced Dr. Suresh Kumar.
- She has become the first woman officer to be selected for this prestigious role by the Indian Ministry of External Affairs.
- Geetika's appointment comes after Pakistan appointed Saad Wariach as the new In-charge of India. Saad will replace Ijaz Khan in the Pakistan High Commission.
- According to experts, women have played an important role in diplomacy in the history of both India and Pakistan. Over the time, there has been growing recognition of the importance of involving women in diplomatic efforts and negotiations. Also, the appointment of Geetika for a prestigious role among multiple teams could be more effective in addressing the complex relationship between the two sides.
- Geetika will visit Pakistan at a time when tensions between the two countries are at its peak. Geetika is another member of India's top female diplomatic club. Prior to her appointment, Britain's first female High Commissioner to Pakistan also took charge.

Note:

- Geetika started her career as a diplomat about 20 years ago. In 2005, she was posted to China as First Secretary (Media, Culture and Visa). She has a good command over Chinese language Mandarin. She has also served as joint Secretary-in-Charge of the Indo-Pacific Division at the Foreign Office. The Indo-Pacific Division of the Ministry of External Affairs looks after India's multilateral diplomacy with ASEAN, IORA, FIPIC and other entities in the Indo-Pacific region.
- Originally from Uttar Pradesh, Geetika has also served as a Regional Passport Officer in Kolkata and director in the IOR Division of the Ministry of External Affairs.
- Relations between India and Pakistan have been tense since 2019. There is no full-time High Commissioner in Pakistan. On August 5, 2019, when India revoked the special status given to Jammu and Kashmir, Pakistan called it an illegal move of the Indian government. At the same time, it was decided to reduce diplomatic relations.



## Chief Minister inaugurated Dhyanchand Museum

### Why is News?

On August 29, 2023, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath inaugurated the Major Dhyanchand Museum in Jhansi on the occasion of Sports Day. He also inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of various projects here.

### Key Points:

- Apart from this, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath honoured the hockey Olympic players here and inaugurated the Hockey Match to be held on Sports Day.
- The Major Dhyanchand Museum has been built at Rani Laxmibai Park at a cost of Rs 19 crore in the name of world-famous hockey wizard Major Dhyanchand.

- This is the country's first museum dedicated to hockey. In this, memories, events related to the life of Major Dhyanchand and various information of Indian hockey will be shown through digital medium.
- It is divided into more than 20 zones, each of which is different and unique in itself. It will be opened to the public from September 1.



## Sikri's Varsha to receive Uttar Pradesh State Teacher Award

### Why is News?

According to information received from the media on August 30, 2023, Varsha Chahar, posted in Fatehpur Sikri block of Agra, has been selected for the Uttar Pradesh State Teacher Award, 2022. She has given a new identity to the school through her tireless efforts.

### Key Points:

- Varsha Chahar from Agra is the head of Daudpur, a former secondary school in Fatehpur Sikri block.
- About 4 years ago in 2019, when Varsha came to this school, the educational level of the children studying here was below normal, but with her tireless efforts, Varsha has not only improved the level of education of the school but also the students of the school.
- Due to her efforts, this small school of Daudpur has not only secured first place in the 'Mera Vidyalaya Meri Pehchan' district-level competition but Varsha herself and the children of her school are getting selected in all the competitions and are making Agra proud.
- Achievements of the school-
  - Stood first in the district level 'Mera Vidyalaya Meri Pehchaan' (award for the best school)

Note:

- State Level Environment Earthian Award, 2023
- 2 children were selected in the National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship (NMMS) scholarship competition in 2022 and 5 children were selected in 2023.
- Selection of 5 children in Shrestha Yojana, out of which 2 children have got DPS school.
- Selection of school students in the district-level National Science Invention Competition in 2022 and 2023.
- Achievements of Varsha Chahar-
- Honoured with State Level Earthian Environment Award, 2023.
- Selected at first position in district-level art craft puppetry competition.
- First in the district-level sixth storytelling competition.
- Awarded with district level excellent teacher award.



## 9 Heritage Sites of U.P. to get the look of Heritage Hotels

### Why is News?

On August 14, 2023, Uttar Pradesh Principal Secretary and Director General of Tourism Mukesh Meshram said that in order to develop the heritage buildings of the state for heritage tourism in collaboration with the private sector, the state government has started preparations to convert nine heritage sites of the state into heritage hotels.

### Key Points:

- The state government has prepared to convert Chhatar Manzil, Kothi Gulistan-E-Iram, Kothi Darshan Vilas and Kothi Roshanuddaula in Lucknow, Chunar Fort in Mirzapur, Barua Sagar Fort in Jhansi, Barsana Jal Mahal in Mathura, Shukla Talab in Kanpur and Tikaitrai Baradari in Bithoor as hotels for heritage tourism.

- In line with the government's efforts to develop heritage buildings of the state for heritage tourism in collaboration with the private sector, many renowned hotel groups have shown interest in it.
- The hotel groups that are interested in investing in these heritage buildings include Leela Hotels, Neemrana Hotels, Indian Hotels Company (Taj Hotels), Mahindra Hotels and Resorts, Oberoi Hotels, The MRS Group & Resorts, Lalit Hotels, Hyatt Regency, Sarovar Hotels & Resorts, Accor Group, THF Hotels, Langer Hotels, Royal Orchid Hotels, Ramada Hotels, Clark Hotels etc.
- According to Principal Secretary and Director General Tourism Mukesh Meshram, the successful bidder for the project will be selected on the basis of quality and cost system. Norms and responsibilities for conservation of heritage buildings have also been fixed.
- These include keeping the configuration of the archaeological building intact, not making any changes in the original form, using the building according to its mythological & historical importance, setting up signage by the developer regarding the history of the heritage building, local culture, food, Display of art, dress, cuisine and cultural genres, development of nearby villages by adopting by the selected developer under CSR, along with providing employment to 25 percent local citizens.



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