



River Nila

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Why in News

Recently, the **Ministry of Tourism** organised a **webinar- 'Exploring River Nila'** as a part of the **Dekho Apna Desh Webinar series**.

Key Points

- River Nila is also known as **Bharathapuzha and Ponnani**.
- **Origin: Amaravathipuzha** originating from **Thrimoorthy Hills of Anamalais** in Tamil Nadu **joins** with Kalpathipuzha at **Parali** in Palakkad District and forms Nila.
- **Drainage Area:** Kerala and Tamil Nadu.
It flows westward through Palakkad Gap (most prominent discontinuity in the western ghats) and drains into the Arabian Sea.
- **Main Tributaries:** Kannadipuzha (Chitturpuzha), Kalpathipuzha (Korapuzha), Gayathripuzha and Thuthapuzha
- **Malampuzha dam** is the **largest** among the reservoirs built across Bharathapuzha.

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