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Former Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Kalyan Singh passes away

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Why in News

On August 21, 2021, Kalyan Singh, former Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh and former Governor of Rajasthan, passed away at the age of 89.

Key Points

- He died due to sepsis and multi organ failure. He breathed his last at SGPGI Hospital in Lucknow.
- Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has declared three-day state mourning in Uttar Pradesh in honor of Kalyan Singh, while August 23 has been declared a public holiday.
- Significantly, **Kalyan Singh was the Chief Minister of India's most populous state 'Uttar Pradesh' twice** (from June 1991 to December 1992 and from September 1997 to November 1999).
- His **first term is remembered for the demolition of the long-controversial Babri Masjid** in Ayodhya on December 26, 1992.
- Kalyan Singh also **served as the Governor of Rajasthan between 2014-2019**.