



Pratihara Ruler Mihira Bhoj

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Why in News

Recently, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath unveiled the statue of **Mihir Bhoj at Mihirbhoj College located in Dadri, Gautam Budh Nagar.**

Key Points

- There is a **dispute between the Gurjar and Rajput society** regarding Raja Mihir Bhoj, considering him as their ancestor. The **travelogue of the Arab traveler Suleiman** is important among the historical sources available in the context of Mihir Bhoj being a Gurjar or Rajput. In this, **Mihir Bhoj has been described as Jujra i.e. Gurjar.**
- **Mihir Bhoj was the ruler of the Gurjara Pratihara dynasty in the 9th century**, whose empire extended from Multan to Bengal and from Kashmir to northern Maharashtra.
- Mihir Bhoj had made **Kannauj his capital**. He was a **devotee of Vishnu**, so in honor of Vishnu, he had assumed **titles like Varaha and Prabhas.**
- The **achievements of Mihir Bhoj have been described in his Gwalior Prashasti inscription.**