



India International Science Festival-2021

Why in News

- On December 10, 2021, the **seventh edition of India International Science Festival (IISF) began in Panaji, Goa**, in which Omprakash Sakhlecha, Minister of Science and Technology, Government of Madhya Pradesh inaugurated several sessions.

Key Points

- This edition focuses on the theme '**Celebrating Creativity and Innovation in Science and Technology for a Prosperous India**'.
- Minister Omprakash Sakhlecha inaugurated the festival section on '**New Age of Technology**'. This section is meant to disseminate information on the growing areas of frontier technologies like Artificial Intelligence, Virtual Reality and their application in daily life.
- He also inaugurated the '**Eco Festival**', which deals with technologies, strategies and actions that lead to ecologically sustainable living.
- Remote sensing innovation is special in the exhibition. Along with this, the workmanship and craftsmanship of the state has been displayed. It includes many items like tiger prints, bamboo products, iron products and artwork made by Agarria artisans.
- IITF-2021 aims to take Indian traditional arts and crafts to the international stage. Minister Omprakash Sakhlecha also inaugurated the 'Traditional Crafts and Artisans Festival' under IISF along with Goa's traditional craftsman, Panshree Vinayak Khedekar.