



Jagriti Yadav of Lucknow became UK High Commissioner for a Day | Uttar Pradesh | 11 Oct 2022

Why In News?

- On October 10, 2022, 20-year-old Jagriti Yadav from Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh became the High Commissioner in the British High Commission for one day in India in the 'India edition of the High Commissioner competition for one day'.

Key Points

- The British Embassy said that Jagriti Yadav is the sixth winner of the India edition of the High Commissioner competition for one day.
- Jagriti Yadav spent a day as Britain's top diplomat in India after winning the sixth edition of the High Commissioner's Competition for a day. Jagriti also experienced a wide range of diplomatic activities, including meeting with various stakeholders. During this Jagriti also participated in many programs.
- It is known that this competition is organized annually since the year 2017. The aim of this competition is to empower women for the next generation.
- Along with Professor Ajay Kumar Sood, Principal Scientific Adviser to the Government of India, Jagriti also launched a book honoring 75 Indian women in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics).
- UK High Commissioner Alex Ellis said Jagriti is articulate and focused and showcases talent across India. As women grow, we all rise. The UK and India do a lot together to promote gender equality, including research and education. He told that this year 50 percent of Chevening Scholarship for India has been provided to women.
- It is noteworthy that the High Commission organizes a 'High Commissioner for a Day' competition every year to celebrate the International Day of the Girl Child (October 11). More than 270 girls from all over India had applied for this year's competition.