



National Water Sports Competition First Time in Tehri Lake

Why In News?

- On December 20, 2022, R.K. Vishnoi, President and Director of THDC India Limited, Rishikesh, Uttarakhand informed that under the technical supervision of the Government of India and the **Indian Olympic Association, Uttarakhand Olympic Association and ITBP**, the **Tehri Lake** in the state from December 28 to 30 **National Level Canoeing and Kayaking Competition** will be organized.

Key Points

- R.K. Vishnoi informed that for the first time in this national level water sports competition, Asian Championship and Olympic Qualifying **fourth ranking and Canoe (Dongi) Sprint Senior Men and Women Championship** will have all the matches.
- In this three-day competition, **300 players from 17 states of the country, including 200 male and 100 female players**, have registered.
- It is noteworthy that after about eight years, the canoeing and kayaking competition is being organized at an altitude of **840 meters** above sea level.
- On the inspiration of Government of India, THDC India Limited is going to organize Tehri Water Sports Cup to promote Canoeing and Kayaking.
- Vishnoi said that holding of national level water sports competition in Uttarakhand will increase the interest of tourists and sportspersons. Tehri Lake has immense possibilities of water sports.
- If water sports activities will increase in Tehri Lake and rivers, then surely the youth will get employment. THDCIL is also working on a plan to train youth for water sports players and related jobs after the competition.
- AN Tripathi, Additional General Manager, Corporate Communications Department, THDCIL, said that earlier a canoeing and kayaking competition was organized at the same height in Kashmir. In Himachal too such competitions are held in high altitude areas.

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