



# Brochure Launches of 8th Indian International Science Festival

## Why In News?

- On January 13, 2023, Minister of Science and Technology and Micro, Small, Medium Enterprises of Madhya Pradesh Om Prakash Sakhalecha launched the brochure of the Science Festival under the curtain raiser program of the **8<sup>th</sup> India International Science Festival (IISF)** at Madhya Pradesh Council of Science and Technology Mapcast .

## Key points

- The 8<sup>th</sup> Science Festival will be held in Bhopal from January 21 to 24 for the first time in Madhya Pradesh. So far, seven events of this festival have been held in different cities of the country.
- A special exhibition based on the progress made in the field of science will be set up at the India International Science Festival. The exhibition, spread over two lakh square feet, will showcase the achievements of over 300 Indian science institutions, including ISRO, Department of Atomic Energy and Department of Space, Ministry of Earth Sciences, DRDO.
- Along with this, Run for Science will be organized on January 19, 2023. With the aim of creating awareness among people about science, this run will start from T.T. Nagar Stadium and end at MANIT campus.
- Arvind Ranade, Executive Director, Indian National Science Academy (INSA) said that the India International Science Festival started from IIT Delhi in the year 2015 . Students Science Village program will also be held during this festival. The Science Village will include 1500 children from different remote areas of Madhya Pradesh, who will be able to see science and its wonders up close. There will also be activities like Scientific Science Literature Festival, Startup Hub.
- Sanjay Mishra, senior scientist in the Department of Biotechnology, said that this festival is not a seminar or conference. It is an event that will be attended by distinguished scientists from the country, from school students to retired officers.
- It is noteworthy that this is an event of wide publicity of science. The festival will have 15 activities such as Artisan Technology, Village Vocal for Local, New Age Technology Show, Mega Science and Technology Exhibition, International Science Film Festival, Science Through Games and Toys, Startup Conclave. More than 10 thousand participants will participate in this.

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