

### NCC Cadet Honored in Republic Day Parade | Uttar Pradesh | 09 Feb 2023

#### Why In News?

On February 8, 2023, NCC cadets participating in the Republic Day Parade were felicitated by the NCC Group Headquarters at Raj Bhavan Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh. A total of 52 girls cadets participated in this parade. Who got first place in the drill competition.

#### **Key points**

- The parade contingent included 9 cadets from 20 UP Girls Battalion, 16 cadets from 19 Battalion, 4 cadets from 63 Battalion, 5 cadets from 64 Battalion, 21 cadets from 67 Battalion, 8 cadets from 39 and 9 cadets from 5 Air Squadron NCC.
- Also, NCC boys of senior division have secured first place in the drill competition.
- Two girl's cadets from Lucknow NCC Group Headquarters were initiative, awarded a Certificate of Appreciation from Director General NCC Delhi and a cash prize of Rs 3000 for their leadership, dedication and outstanding performance in various camps.
- Senior under-officer Kirti Rai and senior under-officer Vaibhavi Bhate received the certificate of appreciation from the Director General NCC.
- It is known that cultural programs were organized in honor of the cadets from 75 districts at Raj Bhavan. The highest performers were awarded medals and certificates in the 20Th Uttar Pradesh Girls Battalion.

### Justice K Vinod Chandran will be the Chief Justice of Patna High Court | Bihar | 09 Feb 2023

#### Why In News?

On February 8, 2023, the Supreme Court Collegium appointed Senior Judge justice K.K. Singh of the Kerala High Court. The Supreme Court has recommended Vinod Chandran for elevation as the chief justice of the Patna High Court.

- The Supreme Court will send its recommendation to the Central Government. After the consent of the Central Government and the President. A notification will be issued to appoint Vinod Chandran as the Chief Justice of Patna High Court.
- The post of Chief Justice of Patna High Court was lying vacant since the elevation of Patna High Court Chief Justice Sanjay Karol as a judge of the Supreme Court. At present, senior judge of Patna High Court Chakradhari Sharan Singh has been appointed as the acting Chief Justice of Patna High

Court.

- The Supreme Court collegium had earlier recommended justice K Vinod Chandran as the chief justice of the Gauhati High Court. But then the collegium withdrew its recommendation keeping in mind more vacancies and promotion of chief justices to the Supreme Court.
- After this, Justice K. Vinod Chandran has been appointed as the Chief Justice of Patna High Court. K. Vinod Chandran is 24, due to retire in April 2025.
- On 13 December, 2022, the Supreme Court Collegium had recommended the names of three Chief Justices and two Judges from different courts of the country for the post of Supreme Court Judges.
  It also included the names of Patna High Court Chief Justice Sanjay Karol and Justice Ahsanuddin Amanullah.

### Two Districts of Bihar in Top-5 Among 112 Aspirational Districts of the Country | Bihar | 09 Feb 2023

#### Why In News?

On February 8, 2023, Niti Aayog released underdeveloped 112 aspirational districts the 'Champion of Change Delta Rankings' for of the country, in which two districts of Bihar Banka and Katihar ranked first and Katihar second among the five best aspirational districts of the country in the field of agriculture and water resources.

- It is noteworthy that this report is released by the Niti Aayog to compete among the aspirational districts.
- It is known that in the year 2018 of Bihar, 13 districts- Katihar, Begusarai, Sheikhpura, Araria, Khagaria, Purnia, Aurangabad, Banka, Gaya, Jamui, Muzaffarpur, Sitamarhi and Nawada were included.
- This announcement of the Center provides special assistance in the blocks of these 13 districts of Bihar. The focus in these districts is on key sectors such as health, nutrition, education, agriculture developing, water resources, financial condition and infrastructure.
- For the education sector, mainly school education and library facilities, infrastructure in schools, in which toilets and drinking water etc. are the main ones.
- It is noteworthy that the central government has announced 500 aspirational blocks in the country, out of which 61 aspirational blocks are also from Bihar. The central government will run special programs with the help of the state government. These blocks have been selected under the Centre's Aspirational Block Programme. Efforts will be made to bring these blocks backward on many parameters of development into the category of developed blocks.
- In the initial phase, special attention will be paid to indicators such as health and nutrition, education, agriculture and water resources, financial inclusion and skill development in these blocks. Additional funds will also be managed from the Centre for these districts. The blocks will be ranked so that they can increase the competition to move forward.
- Blocks of 13 aspirational districts (AD) of the state have also been selected under this program. Bhagalpur and Kaimur districts have the highest number of 5 blocks each, followed by 10 blocks, Begusarai (4), Munger (4), Jamui (4), Aurangabad and Gaya (4 blocks each). At the same time, the names of three blocks Katihar and Banka each of Bhojpur, are included.

## The Chief Minister Gave Approval to Open Sub-Health Centers at 502-Gram Panchayat Headquarters of the State. | Rajasthan | 09 Feb 2023

#### Why In News?

On February 8, 2023, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot has approved the opening of centers in 502-gram panchayat headquarters new sub-health of the state.

#### **Key points**

- these sub-health Creation of posts of a total of 502 women health workers (one at each centre) for centres has also been approved.
- According to the proposal, a provision of up to Rs 30 lakh has been made for the construction works of each new sub-health centre. Till the new sub-health centers are constructed, arrangements will be made to operate them in temporary buildings alternatively.
- state government Sub-health canters by the with the opening of new canters per 1 lakh population, Rajasthan today ranks first in the country with 18 sub-health.
- With this decision of the Chief Minister, health services will be expanded in the rural areas of the state and the common people will get better medical facilities at the local level.
- It is noteworthy that in the budget 2022-23, the Chief Minister had announced to open new subhealth canters to strengthen the health infrastructure in the rural areas of the state.

### Khelo India Youth Games 2022: Madhya Pradesh won Three Gold and One Silver | Madhya Pradesh | 09 Feb 2023

#### What's in discussion?

On February 8, 2023, host Madhya Pradesh won two gold and one silver medal and one gold in weightlifting in the Malkhamb competitions in the Khelo India Youth Games-2022 held at Madhav Seva Trust in Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh.

- In the boys' individual all-round event, Pranav won the gold with a score of 26.50 while the Madhya Pradesh team won the ranking gold (boys and girls combined) with 207.20 points. In the girls' individual all-round event, Siddhi Gupta of Madhya Pradesh won silver.
- In the boys' individual all-round event at Malkhamb, Shardul (Maharashtra) finished second with 26.10 points and Rakesh Verda (Chhattisgarh) third with 25.90 points. The team rankings went to Maharashtra (205.60) and the bronze went to Chhattisgarh (201.25).
- Siddhi finished second in the girls' event with 17.30 points. Maharashtra's Samiksha Suradkar won the gold in the event. The bronze medal went to Tanushree Jadhav from Maharashtra.
- Similarly, Veluru Ajay Babu of Madhya Pradesh won gold in weightlifting in 81 kg category. Veluru secured first position with snatch-135kg, clean and jerk-162kg, total-297kg.

#### Madhya Pradesh in AIF Scheme | Madhya Pradesh | 09 Feb 2023

#### Why In News?

On February 8, 2023, In the workshop organized at Agriculture University Jabalpur under MP Farm Gate App and IAF, Madhya Pradesh's Farmers-Welfare and Agriculture Development Minister Kamal Patel has told that Madhya Pradesh is at the first place in the country in the implementation of Agriculture Infrastructure Item (AIF).

#### **Key points**

- Under the AIF scheme, works of warehouse, custom hiring centre, cold storage, grading unit, primary processing unit etc. are being done by taking loan from the bank at 3 percent interest subvention for construction of agricultural infrastructure.
- Madhya Pradesh is at the first place in the country by sanctioning Rs 3930 crore 63 lakhs in 5070 cases under the AIF scheme. So far, an amount of Rs 3040 crore has been distributed in 4552 cases, which is the highest in comparison to other states.

# The Chief Minister Launched the Brochure of the International Year of Millets- 2023 at the 36th Suraj Kund Fair. | Haryana | 09 Feb 2023

#### Why In News?

On February 8, 2023, Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal launched the International Year of Millets 2023 brochure of the Ministry of Development of Northeast Region at the 36th Suraj Kund International Handicrafts Fair.

- Many delicious and healthy dishes prepared from millets are also being prepared in Suraj Kund international fair.
- India's 2023 was approved by proposal to celebrate the International Year of Nutrient Cereals in the year the year 2018 the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) in and the United Nations Council has declared the year 2023 as the International Year of Millets 2023.
- It was adopted by a UN resolution led by India and supported by over 70 countries.
- The International Year of Nutritious Cereals 2023 also aims to ensure nutritional security by increasing the consumption of millets. Eight millets have been identified for this, including Jowar, Bajra, Ragi, Kodo, Kutki, Kangni, Chena, Sawa etc.
- Millet is divided into two categories based on size. One small grain and one coarse grain. Coarse grains include jowar, bajra, and ragi, while fine grains include Kangni, Kodo, Cheena, Sawa, and Kutki.

### Software Technology Park to be Built in Jamshedpur, Bokaro and Dhanbad of Jharkhand | Jharkhand | 09 Feb 2023

#### Why In News?

According to information received from the media on 8 February 2023, the Union Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology has approved the proposal for setting up software parks in Jamshedpur, Bokaro and Dhanbad in Jharkhand.

#### **Key points**

- Significantly, the central government wants to expand the digital possibility in small cities of the country so that the youth can be made partners in the digital economy. For this, software technology parks are being set up in small cities.
- Software Technology Park of India has been constituted, an autonomous body under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.
- According to the proposal received from the states, 63 software parks have been set up in the country so far. In addition, the Ministry has approved the proposal for setting up of 22 Software Parks.
- Such parks have already been set up in Ranchi and Deoghar in Jharkhand.
- Apart from this, the ministry had approved the Electronics Manufacturing Cluster Scheme to attract investment in the electronics sector.
- Under this scheme, assistance was to be given for the development of similar facilities with worldclass infrastructure.
- Under this scheme, the proposal for 19 greenfield electronics manufacturing clusters, three common facility centers have been approved. Under this, the formation of a cluster in Adityapur, Jharkhand was approved. 97 on this cluster. 88 crore and the expenditure were estimated at Rs Rs 41. Rs 48 crore has been released.

### Gumla's Youth honored with Influencer Book of World Records and National Prestige Award | Jharkhand | 09 Feb 2023

#### Why In News?

On 8 February 2023, the app 'The Johar Jharkhand and Muskuray Aap Gumla Mein Hain', created by the youth of Gumla district of Jharkhand, has received the Influencer Book of World Record and National Award in Uttar Pradesh.

- Information and Public Relations Department, at the function held in the auditorium of Public Prosecutor AK Pandey, DPRO Sanjay Kumar and District Press Association Gumla General Secretary Durjay Paswan felicitated the youth with certificates Gumla.
- Along with this, Gumla's first Facebook digital quiz was conducted under the name Shunya Se Shikhar Tak. On the other hand, 'The Johar Jharkhand and Muskuray Aap Gumla Mein' program

- took place through the live Instagram page. The successful participants were rewarded.
- Winners Mohammad Dilshad, Uma Singh, Shreya Pandey, Ranju Kumari, Ravi Kumar Ranjan, Rishabh Dheeraj and Shashikant were given prizes.
- These youths have created 'The Johar Jharkhand App, Muskuray Aap Gumla Mein Hain' and Gumla Live Instagram pages, all the tourism spots through which they are promoting in the state. At the same time, all these youth are also working on nature conservation. These youth have also won many awards regarding tourism.

## Release of the Book 'Tirohit Titurghat' | Chhattisgarh | 09 Feb 2023 Why In News?

On February 8, 2023, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel released Govind Patel's book 'Tirohit Titurghat' at his residence office.

#### **Key points**

- The book has been edited by Govind Patel and the role has been written by archaeologist Prabhat Singh. The book is based on archaeological evidence and their characteristics of more than two dozen Sati pillars at Titurghat in Dhamdha.
- Dharmadham Gauravgatha Samiti rediscovered the Tirohit (forgotten) pond of Titurghat and excavated it again with the help of shramdaan and public cooperation. This book has been published to show the antiquity and historicity of this place as well as the importance of the pond.
- The historical background of the 500-year-old Chaturbhuji Titurghat village situated on the banks of Shivnath river is given in this book. This village is now desolated from there, but more than a hundred boulders, architectural blocks showing the historical and archaeological importance of the village are scattered there, in which three inscriptions and two dozen sati pillars have been found. There was also a temple and a pond here. Dharmadham Gauravgatha Samiti got this extinct pond reconstructed.
- It is worth mentioning that Govind Patel has earlier published a booklet titled 'Bumper yield of tomato, golden grains can change one's fate, vegetables can make Chhattisgarh healthy' and 'Chha Kori Chha Aagar', 'Taria Au Budhwa Narva'.

### Chhattisgarh's Narayanpur District Among Top Five Aspirational Districts of the Country | Chhattisgarh | 09 Feb 2023

#### Why In News?

On February 8, 2023, Narayanpur district of Chhattisgarh has been ranked fourth among the top five districts in the 'Champion of Change Delta Ranking' report of aspirational districts for December 2022 released by NITI Aayog.

- Narayanpur district of Chhattisgarh ranks fourth among the top five districts in the overall performance category out of 112 aspirational districts declared in the country in this report. On the other hand, Narayanpur district ranks third in the health and nutrition category.
- Narayanpur district scores 72.5 in health and nutrition and 57.5 in education. And the overall score of all the areas is 53.
- It is noteworthy that Chhattisgarh government has done remarkable work in various fields including health and nutrition within the last four years. The Government of India has also appreciated these efforts made in Chhattisgarh many times.
- The state government has launched Mukhyamantri Suposhan Abhiyan to remove malnutrition among children and to free adolescent girls and women from anemia.
- The efforts of Chhattisgarh government have also yielded positive results in the field of nutrition.
- While doing remarkable work in the field of health, apart from running Chief Minister Haat Bazar Clinic, Dai-Didi Clinic, Chief Minister Slum Health Scheme, Humar Lab, Malaria Free Bastar and Malaria Free Chhattisgarh Scheme, Dr. Khubchand Baghel Health Scheme to the people in Chhattisgarh. Health related benefits are being provided under the Chief Minister's Special Health Scheme.

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