



38th National Games will Be Held in Uttarakhand | Uttarakhand | 13 Mar 2023

Why In News?

- On March 12, 2023, Uttarakhand Olympic Association General Secretary D.K. Singh said that in the meeting of the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) chaired by P.T. Usha in Haldwani, it has been decided that in the year 2024, the 38th National Games will be held in Uttarakhand.

Key points

- It is known that Chhattisgarh had also claimed to host the National Games, but the IOA has hosted Uttarakhand.
 - Apart from the development of sports in the country, other key points were also discussed in the meeting of the Indian Olympic Association. The National Games were also discussed during which it was decided that the September-October National Games will be held in Goa in 37th this year.
 - The IOA has immediately nominated IOA Joint Secretary Alaknanda Ashok to test its preparations for the National Games in Uttarakhand.
 - It is known that after Kerala in 2015, Goa and Uttarakhand were to organize these games, in both these states, these games were postponed from but due to incomplete preparation 2018. The 36th National Games were allotted to Goa, 37th Chhattisgarh, while the 38th National Games to Uttarakhand in 2014 were allotted, but Goa withdrew from holding the 36th Games and the National Games continued to slip due to incomplete preparations in Chhattisgarh and Uttarakhand.
 - It is known that in view of the continuous delay in the National Games, the then President of IOA, Haldwani resident Rajeev Mehta, after talking to the Government of India and the Government of Gujarat, got the National Games organized in Gujarat in September 2022 in a very short time.
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Brave Women of Uttarakhand and Soldiers who Received Gallantry Awards will be Able to Travel Free of Cost in Roadways Buses | Uttarakhand | 13 Mar 2023

Why In News?

- According to the information received from the media on March 11, 2023, in the order issued by Uttarakhand's Military Welfare Secretary Deependra Kumar Chaudhary, it has been said that 1130 brave women of the state and 1727 soldiers and ex-servicemen who have received gallantry awards will be sent to Uttarakhand Transport Corporation buses. Will be able to travel for free.

Key points

- In the order issued by the Secretary of Military Welfare, Dipendra Kumar Chowdhary, it has been

told that the expenses incurred on free travel in the buses of the Transport Corporation of Indian soldiers and their women who have received gallantry awards, will be paid and reimbursed by the Department of Military Welfare as per the rules. Will be done on behalf of the Transport Corporation.

- It has been said in the order given to the Director of the State's Military Welfare and Rehabilitation Department that a proposal should be prepared and made available to the government in time for making budget arrangements through new demand in the income and expenditure of the Military Welfare Department.
- Significantly, the highest number of 203 brave women (war widows) are in Pithoragarh district in the state. In this, 185 brave women are the wives of martyred soldiers, 17 JCOs and one martyred army officer.
- Apart from this, 82 in Almora, 97 in Bageshwar, 32 in Champawat, 115 in Chamoli, 143 in Dehradun, 13 in Haridwar, 150 in Lansdowne, 69 in Nainital, 70 in Pauri, 43 in Rudraprayag, 63 in Tehri, 40 in Udham Singh Nagar. There are 10 Veer Naris in Uttarkashi.
- There is no dearth of brave soldiers in the state who displayed indomitable courage for the security of the country. 1727 soldiers and ex-servicemen have received various gallantry awards like Mahavir Chakra, Vir Chakra, Kirti Chakra, Shaurya Chakra, Sena Medal etc. in the state.

IIT Roorkee Discovered Unique Antibacterial Molecule Why In News? | Uttarakhand | 13 Mar 2023

Why In News?

- According to information received from the media on March 11, 2023, researchers at IIT Roorkee, Uttarakhand have discovered an antibacterial molecule that, when used with drugs, will not only prevent infections caused by Staphylococcus aureus and Pseudomonas aeruginosa bacteria, rather, it will also end drug resistance.

Key points

- The institute has named this molecule as IITR 00693. The findings of this research by IIT Roorkee have been published in the prestigious American Chemical Society Journal ACS Infectious Diseases.
- The research team includes Ashish Kothari and Balram Umar from Rishikesh AIIMS, besides Varsha Gupta from Government Medical College and Hospital, Chandigarh. Mehak Saini and Amit Gaurav from IIT Roorkee are also part of the team.
- Professor Ranjana Pathania, Department of Biosciences and Bioengineering, IIT Roorkee, who led the research team, told that they are now working to develop the molecule as a behavioural therapeutic agent. Its clinical trial can be started soon.
- This new molecule of IIT will also have an effective effect on Gram-positive and negative bacteria. Apart from lung, intestine, joint and skin infections, this molecule will also give better results when given with other antibacterial medicines in infections spreading in the burning state.
- This new molecule will soon eliminate resistance to the drug during the treatment of deadly infections in delicate parts of the body and skin.