

The Secret of the Inscriptions of Jageshwar and Badrinath will soon be Revealed | Uttarakhand | 22 Aug 2023

Why in News?

On August 20, 2023, K.B. Sharma, Assistant Superintending Archaeologist of Dehradun Circle, Uttarakhand, said that the secret of ancient inscriptions of world famous Jageshwar Dham in Almora and Badrinath in Chamoli will soon be revealed. For this, the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has sent a letter to the Epigraphy Branch, Lucknow.

Key Points:

- Ancient script is engraved in the walls of some other temples including Mahamrityunjaya located in Jageshwar Dham. Two colossal inscriptions from the Mahamrityunjaya temple are now preserved in the Archaeological Museum. The script engraved in these inscriptions has not been translated yet. Even in Badrinath Dham, the ancient script engraved in the inscription remains a mystery to the people.
- In view of this, recently, ASI officer K.B. Sharma has sent a letter to the Epigraphy Branch, urging them to send a team of experts to translate the script engraved in the ancient inscriptions at lageshwar and Badrinath Dham.
- After the completion of the research process, ASI will display the Hindi and English translation of the ancient script for the public.
- According to ASI officials, some of the inscriptions engraved on the walls of the temples of Jageshwar Dham have been translated by Dr. D.C. Sarkar. This translation has been published earlier in the Indica book of Dr. D.C. Sarkar, but the main inscriptions have not been translated yet.
- It is known that the ASI had sent a letter to the Epigraphy Branch about two years ago, demanding the translation of the inscriptions of Jageshwar and Badrinath. Due to busyness, the team of experts could not reach here, but now it is expected to reach here soon.



