



Sarhul Festival

Why in News?

On April 4, 2022, **the biggest N'ature festival of tribal society 'Sarhul'** was celebrated across Jharkhand.

Key Points

- An attractive procession was taken out from various Sarna places of the state capital, in which the procession taken out from the Sarna place at Hatma was prominent.
- In this procession, women and men of tribal society were dancing in full rhythm on the beat of mandar drum.
- It is worth mentioning that Sarhul is celebrated in Central-East India and tribal areas of Central India (mainly Jharkhand, Odisha, Bengal).
- Held on the Tritiya of Chaitra Shukla Paksha, this festival is celebrated as the marriage festival of the earth and the sun.
- This festival **marks the beginning of the new year**. Trees and other elements of Nature are worshiped on this festival, at this time new flowers bloom on the branches of Sal (Shorea robusta) trees. This day is a state holiday in Jharkhand.

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