



# Sal International Tribal Festival

## Why in News

In a high-level meeting held under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel on September 25, 2021, it was decided to name the International Tribal Festival to be held this year as 'Sal International Tribal Festival'.

- This decision has been taken after the state tree of Chhattisgarh and the deity Sal tree in tribal culture.

## Key Points

- In the meeting, the outline of the Rajyotsava was decided, along with the Tribal Festival. A five-day event of '**Sal International Tribal Festival and Rajyotsava**' will be jointly organized by the state government from **October 28 to November 1** at the Science College ground in Raipur.
- The Chief Minister said that **Sal is the state tree of Chhattisgarh**. In tribal culture, **the Sal tree is worshiped as a god**. Sal tree is worshiped in the Sarhul festival celebrated with pomp in the tribal area. That is why the name of the Tribal Festival has been named 'Sal International Tribal Festival'.
- In the state decoration ceremony on November 1, eminent people and institutions who have made remarkable contributions in various fields including art, culture, development of Chhattisgarh will be honored with the state decoration.
- During the **Saal International Tribal Festival and Rajyotsava**, many programs will be organized including interaction with eminent people in various fields, exhibition, live display of tribal art and culture, tribal craft fair, skill upgradation. Artists of the country and abroad will present their programs during this time.

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