



## National selection of new paddy variety 'Heera'

### Why In News?

At the 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Paddy Research Meeting of the Integrated Rice Improvement Project held in Hyderabad on April 27, 2022, a new variety of paddy '**Heera**' was selected for national production.

### key point

- The new variety has been developed by Dr. Prakash Singh, a scientist from Veer Kunwar Singh Agricultural College, Dumraon and his team under the jurisdiction of Bihar Agricultural University, Bhagalpur.
- This variety of paddy will not deteriorate even after being submerged in flood water for 15 days.
- Its production capacity is also one and a half times that of normal paddy i.e.

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