

## India International Science Festival-2022

## Why In News?

On January 16, 2023, Dr. Anil Kothari, Director General, Madhya Pradesh Council of Science and Technology (MAPCOST), told that the **18<sup>th</sup> International Science Festival** will be held in Bhopal from January 21 to 24 for the purpose of creating awareness and dissemination of science among school children and public. The festival will be organized in 2022.

## **Key points**

- The 8<sup>th</sup> Science Festival was organized by the Department of Biotechnology, Science and Technology, Ministry of Earth Sciences, Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), Department of Space, Department of Atomic Energy, Vigyan Bharati (VIBHA) and Maulana Azad National Institute of Technology (MANIT) is being done under the joint aegis.
- Madhya Pradesh Council of Science and Technology (MPCOST), Bhopal is the nodal agency for this science festival.
- More than 8,000 delegates from across the country will participate in this science festival from January 21 to 24. The main theme of this festival being held in the Amrit kaal of independence is 'Country moving towards Amrit kaal with science, technology and innovation'.
- Dr. Anil Kothari, Director General, MAPCOST, said that under this science festival itself, the Run for Science Marathon is being coordinated by the Madhya Pradesh Council of Science and Technology from January 19. The three-and-a-half kilometer marathon will start from TT Nagar Stadium in Bhopal and end at the MANIT Campus.
- He informed that the Science Marathon is being organized for the first time in Bhopal under the 8th India International Science Festival. More than 2 thousand school and college students and common people will participate in the run.

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