

## 24th Hunar Haat

## Why in News

24<sup>th</sup> "Hunar Haat" is being organized in Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh) from 22<sup>nd</sup> January to 04<sup>th</sup> February, 2021.

## **Key Points**

- About:
  - Hunar Haat is an exhibition of handicrafts and traditional products made by artisans from the minority communities.
- Theme:
  - Vocal for Local.
- Organizer:
  - These are organised by the Ministry of Minority Affairs under <u>USTTAD</u> (<u>Upgrading the Skills & Training in Traditional Arts/Crafts for Development) scheme.</u>
    - The **USTTAD** scheme aims to promote and preserve the rich heritage of the traditional arts & crafts of the minority communities.

Vision

- Aim:
  - These Haat aims to provide market exposure and employment opportunities to artisans, craftsmen and traditional culinary experts.
  - It envisages **boosting the skills of craftsmen, weavers and artisans** who are already engaged in the traditional ancestral work.
- Significance:
  - 'Hunar Haat' has proved to be an **"Empowerment Exchange"** for master artisans and craftsmen.
  - It has proved to be immensely beneficial and encouraging for artisans and craftsmen as lakhs of people visit the "Hunar Haat" and purchase indigenous handmade products of artisans on large scale.
    - More than 5 lakh artisans, craftsmen and people associated with them have been provided employment and employment opportunities in the last about 5 years through "Hunar Haat".

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