

Char Dham Yatra | Uttarakhand | 16 Apr 2024

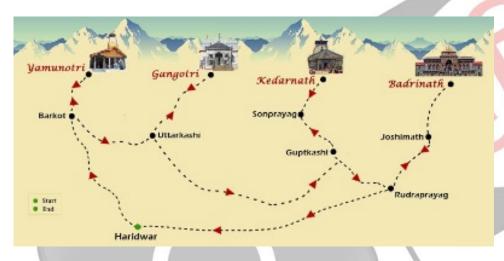
Why in News?

According to the Uttarakhand tourism department, the online registration for the 'Char Dham Yatra' has started on the tourism department's portal.

Key Points

- The Char-Dham yatra in Uttarakhand consists of visiting four temples, **Badrinath**, **Kedarnath**, **Gangotri**, **and Yamunotri**.
- The Char Dham Yatra holds profound spiritual significance in Hinduism. This journey typically occurs from April/May to October/November.

The Vision



Char Dham Yatra

- Yamunotri Dham:
 - Location: Uttarkashi district.
 - Dedicated to: Goddess Yamuna.
 - River Yamuna is the second-most sacred river in India after River Ganga.
- Gangotri Dham:
 - Location: Uttarkashi district.
 - Dedicated to: Goddess Ganga.
 - Considered the most sacred of all Indian rivers.
- Kedarnath Dham:
 - Location: Rudraprayag district.
 - **Dedicated to:** Lord Shiva.
 - Situated on the bank of the Mandakini River.
 - One of the 12 Jyotirlingas (divine representations of Lord Shiva) in India.
- Badrinath Dham:
 - **Location:** Chamoli district.
 - Home to the sacred Badrinarayan Temple.
 - Dedicated to: Lord Vishnu.
 - One of the holy shrines for Vaishnavites.

