



# Nanda Devi Festival

## Why in News

- On September 17, 2021 the 119<sup>th</sup> **Nanda Devi Festival** concluded with the immersion of the idols of **Goddess Nanda and Sunanda**.

## Key Points

- The festival was jointly **organized by Shri Ram Sewak Sabha and Nainital District Administration**.
- In this festival, a large number of devotees pay obeisance to the deities at Naina Devi Temple. Apart from religious rituals, various cultural performances were also organized during the festival.
- On the last day of the festival a cultural group from Almora performed outside the Naina Devi temple. Other performances including devotional songs were also telecasted live.
- The deities were taken out in a ceremonial procession across the city, after which the idols were immersed in the lake.
- On the last day of the festival, members of the Anjuman-e-Baltistan Shia community offered water to the devotees who came to worship the goddess.

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