

CM Dhami Inspected Dehradun-Mussoorie Trek

Why in News?

Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami recently inspected the **historic Dehradun-Mussoorie trek**, emphasizing the **need to enhance amenities and safety measures** for trekkers and tourists.

Key Points

- During his trek along the Shahanshahi Ashram to Jhadipani route, CM Dhami highlighted the importance of preserving the natural beauty of Uttarakhand's trekking trails while improving facilities.
- The Chief Minister directed the <u>Mussoorie Dehradun Development Authority (MDDA)</u> to oversee these improvements, ensuring that the trekking paths remain attractive and wellmaintained.
- Emphasis was placed on the importance of installing better signage and railings to effectively guide trekkers.
 - Assurance was given that similar upgrades would be implemented on other trekking routes across the state to improve visitors' experiences and showcase the region's rich cultural heritage and natural beauty.

Mussoorie Dehradun Development Authority (MDDA)

- The MDDA was established in 1984 to manage the city's urban planning and development under the UP Urban Planning and Development Act of 1973.
- MDDA is focused on keeping pace with the fast-growing population and providing necessary infrastructure to accommodate this growth.
- The focus areas include developing quality infrastructure, addressing housing needs of the underprivileged, and planning Dehradun and Mussoorie in a structured and sustainable manner.
- To make the city meet modern urban standards, it undertakes the following:
 - Implementation of the Master Plan
 - Acquisition of land to implement the various schemes
 - Enforcement of plans and development schemes
 - Adaptation of measures for protection of the natural environment in the development area

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