



World's First Ceramic Waste Park

Why in News?

Uttar Pradesh is set to inaugurate '**Anokhi Duniya**', the **world's first-ever park** built entirely from ceramic waste.

- **Ceramic** is an **inorganic, non-metallic material** made by shaping minerals like **clay or oxides** and firing them at **high temperatures** to form a hard, durable product.

Key Points

- **About:** Located in **Khurja**, famously known as the “**ceramic capital**” of the state, the park will open to the public by the end of **September**.
- **Construction:** Developed by the Bulandshahr-Khurja Development Authority (BKDA) on a [Public-Private Partnership \(PPP\) model](#), the park spans 2 acres and has been built at a cost of ₹5.86 crore.
 - The initiative exemplifies the transformation of waste into art, with over 80 tonnes of discarded ceramic items repurposed into creative installations.
 - A team of six artists and 120 artisans worked meticulously to design nearly 100 ceramic artworks, including 28 large-scale installations. These installations, crafted from broken pitchers, cups, and kettles, have been styled in vibrant and eye-catching forms.
- **Significance:** This innovative project marks a milestone in [sustainable development](#) and cultural promotion, aligning with the state's efforts to showcase traditional industries under the [One District One Product \(ODOP\)](#) initiative.
 - It provides a unique showcase of Khurja's craftsmanship while giving the region's ceramic heritage a **distinct global identity**.

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