



Pindari Glacier and Bagchi Bugyal named 'Track of the Year'

Why In News?

- On October 19, 2022, **Pindari Glacier in Bageshwar district and Bagchi Bugyal in Chamoli district** were declared 'Track of the Year' by the **Uttarakhand Tourism Development Council (UTDB)**.

Key Point

- Tourism Minister Satpal Maharaj said that a subsidy of Rs 2,000 will also be given to the tour operators on the total cost of tracking each tracker by the Tourism Department for dispatching the team to both Pindari Glacier and Bagchi Bugyal.
- He said that this trekking program will play an important role in promoting winter trekking destination and winter tourism. Through this track, the winter trekking destination will be promoted and disseminated like Kedarkantha and trekking guide training is also being given by the department to promote trekking.
- It is noteworthy that the Pindari Glacier track will start from Kathgodam in Kumaon, which will pass through Khati, Davyali, Furkiye, Zero Point, Khati followed by Kharkia and culminate at Kathgodam. At the same time, the track of Bagchi Bugyal will start from Rishikesh in Dehradun, which will pass through Ghes, Deolikhhet and conclude at the base camp of Bagchi Bugyal. From here, the trackers will reach Bagchi's top Himani via Dhulamba.

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