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Shashi Pandey won the gold medal at the 37th State Shooting Championship.

Why is in News ?

- Shashi Pandey of Bihar won the gold medal for Bihar at the 37th State Shooting Championship held in Delhi, qualifying her for the Pre-National Shooting Championship.

Key Points :-

- Born in Ojhawalia village in the Gopalganj district, Shashi Pandey is the daughter of Shri Shardanand Pandey and a recent graduate student of Delhi University .
- Shashi won the gold medal in the 10m air pistol category of this state shooting competition in September.
- At the Tughlakabad Shooting Range in New Delhi, the nation's capital, the 37th State Shooting Championship was held.
- The nine-day championship tournament had a total of 1,150 shooters competing in various pistol, rifle, and shotgun shooting categories.
- Under the direction of coach Ishwinderjit Singh, Shashi Pandey, Gayatri Kaur, and Madhavi won the gold medal in the team event of the 10m Air Pistol.
- The National Rifle Association of India is affiliated to International Shooting Sport Federation, Asian Shooting Confederation, Commonwealth Shooting Federation, South Asian Shooting Confederation and Indian Olympic Association.
- Shri Raninder Singh is the President and Shri K Sultan Singh is the Secretary General of National Rifle Association of India.



Nalanda Dairy: The first dairy in the nation to receive the CAS certification

Why is in news ?

- Recently, the National Dairy Development Board and the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) collaborated to conduct an audit on the quality of milk, and Nalanda Dairy was given the CAS (Confirmity Assessment Scheme) mark as a result.
- The Nalanda Dairy is the first dairy in the nation, including Bihar, to receive the CAS mark. It is run with cutting-edge machinery and milking technologies.

Key Points :-



- For the purpose of marketing milk or milk products on the interstate and international markets, the Indian government has mandated that all dairy establishments in the nation use the CAS mark as of December 2021.
- Only after Nalanda Dairy received the highest score for milk quality during the audit did the Government of India award it with this mark. It is important to note that, as of yet, neither Amul Dairy of Patna nor Amul Dairy of Gujarat have received CAS marks.
- All of the nation's dairies were required to get ISI from the Bureau of Indian Standards in two locations before receiving the CAS mark, as well as a quality certificate from the NDDDB (National Dairy Development Board).
- The BIS and NDDDB have implemented the Conformity Assessment Scheme (Conformity Assessment Scheme) with effect as of December 2021. This scheme looks at the quality of milk in the dairy as well as the production process and storage system for each of its products.



Nalanda Dairy :-

- The establishment of Nalanda Dairy, which has a processing capacity of 4 lakh litres of milk per day and 6,600 litres of tetra packing per hour, took place in January 2014 on a 25.1-acre site costing 135 crores. 6 tonnes of butter, 6 tonnes of milk powder, and 4 tonnes of ghee are produced here every day.
- In all the procedures at Nalanda Dairy, from milk collection to the creation of other milk-related goods, human force is not directly used. In this case, a computer is used for the majority of the job. Throughout this time, the computer itself also serves as the control and monitoring system for the processing unit's operations.

Bihar Investors Meeting 2022

Why is in News ?

- On September 29, 2022, at the Chief Minister's Secretariat, the state's Chief Minister, Shri Nitish Kumar, officially opened the Bihar Investors Meet-2022. Following the inception of the Grand Alliance government, this is the first time such an investors' meeting has been held in Bihar.



Key Points :-

- Bihar is very quickly becoming a state where investors want to invest. There are industrialists here seeking for investment possibilities from all across the nation and overseas.
- A large number of industrialists, including Deputy Chief Minister Tejashwi Yadav and Industries Minister Samir Kumar Mahaseth, attended the Bihar Investors Meet-2022, which was hosted by the Industries Department at the Chief Minister's Secretariat.
- The Bihar government is appealing to businesspeople to make investments across a range of sectors in order to advance the state's industrial growth. Industries are being promoted in every way possible, and facilities are being made available.
- In this regard, Bihar's infrastructure is being repaired as part of the creation of new industrial promotion policies for 2022. To address the issues encountered in the establishment of industries, steps are being made right away. The Bihar government is providing investors with enticing incentives in addition to revisions in policy.
- It has been marketed to support the textile and leather industries. The work of ethanol production in the state has begun following acceptance of the proposal for its production. It will be able to build a Grade A Bear House on the Biada site because permission has been granted to build 17 units there. Additionally, a logistical plan for industrial expansion will be presented by the state administration.
- It is important to note that Shahnawaz Hussain organised Investors Meet in Hyderabad and Delhi earlier in his career as the Minister of Industries in the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) administration.
- The Bihar Investors Meet attracted about 170 businesses from all across the nation, including 30 large corporations, and it was agreed to hold similar gatherings in other states after considering their feedback.



The Bihar State Reservoir Fisheries Policy for 2020 was approved.

Why is in news ?

- The State Reservoir Fisheries Policy 2020 was approved by Chief Minister Nitish Kumar during the Bihar cabinet meeting on September 27, 2022.
- For the overall development of fisheries in the reservoirs, this policy has long been desired in Bihar.

Key Points :-

- The Bihar State Reservoir Fisheries Policy - 2020 has also been given approval for an advance payment of 43.93 crore from the Contingency Fund for the fiscal year 2022–2023.
- Given that it promotes the growth of a number of ancillary sectors, the fisheries industry has been acknowledged as a significant contributor to the state's economy in terms of both employment and revenue.
- For a substantial portion of the economically underprivileged people of the state of Bihar, fishing serves as a source of affordable and nutrient-rich food as well as a means of subsistence.
- In order to strengthen and quickly pursue the potential of inland fisheries in an efficient and effective manner, two aquatic referral laboratories have been allowed in Bihar under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana.
- It is important to note that the fishing industry has been designated as a "Sunrise Sector." India is the world's second-largest aquaculture nation after China and the third-largest producer of fish overall.
- The Government of India approved the flagship programme Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana in May 2020 as part of the self-reliant India COVID-19 relief package with a view to bringing about a blue revolution through sustainable and responsible development of the fisheries sector. This was done in recognition of the importance and potential of the fisheries sector.
- The Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana, which was launched in the financial year 2020, has made the highest ever investment in the fisheries sector to ensure the socioeconomic development of fishermen, fish farmers, and fish workers in all the States/UTs, including Bihar. It will be implemented over a five-year period, from



FY 2021 to FY 2024–25, in order to pursue sustainable and responsible development in the fisheries sector.

Bihar's Chief Minister has announced the commencement of a programme for rural solar street lights.

Why is in News ?

- The Mukhyamantri Gramin Solar Street Light Scheme was introduced by the state's Chief Minister, Shri Nitish Kumar, on September 15, 2022, in "Samvad," which is a part of the Chief Minister's Secretariat.

Key Points :-

- All 8,406 of the state's panchayats have wards, and a plan has been established to install solar lights in each one. Locations for installation have been identified through research and analysis of the plan. It has been chosen to be installed wherever it is necessary.
- 10 solar street lights will be erected in each ward of every village in Bihar as part of the Saat Nischay Yojana-2 project. In addition to this, each Panchayat will receive 10 extra solar street lights for installation in open areas.
- All of the state's panchayats will have solar lighting installed in places including schools, Anganwadi centers, health care facilities, and places of worship. Through organizations chosen by BREDA, its upkeep and appropriate implementation will be carried out throughout the following five years (Bihar Renewable Development Agency).
- A budget of 2,000 crores has been set by the state government for this programme. Each ward will have 12 to 20 watt LED bulbs throughout. The solar street lights that will be installed as part of this programme will be quite sophisticated. These lights will include a motion sensor and an autonomous remote monitoring system.
- The state administration has also carried out an aerial inspection of the areas without power, it is important to note. These localities now have a 75 rupee diesel subsidy instead of the previous 60 rupee subsidy.



- Farmers who have received a diesel subsidy thus far total 4 lakh 29 000. In order to irrigate their fields, farmers are given access to electricity for 16 hours at a cost of 65 pence per unit.

Padmashree Ramchandra Manjhi, a well-known folk artist from Bhojpur, has passed away.

Why is in News ?

- Ramchandra Manjhi, a renowned Bhojpuri dancer, folk performer, and recipient of the Padma Shri award, passed away at the age of 96 on September 7, 2022 in Patna's IGIMS Hospital from a heart blockage and an infection. He was a resident of the Saran region of Bihar.

Key Points :-

- In the Bihar-based Bhojpuri community, Shri Ramchandra Manjhi was well-known for his composition "Launda Naach" and received the Padma Shri award in 2021. The so-called Shakespeare of Bhojpuri, Bhikhari Thakur, was also a friend of Shri Ramchandra Manjhi.
- For 30 years, Manjhi, who became famous all over the world thanks to Launda Naach, was a part of the dancing group. At the national and international levels, he has given the traditional culture of Bihar a distinct identity.
- Shri Ramchandra Manjhi has also been given the title of Launda Nach in addition to the Padma Shri. In addition to this, the State and Central Governments presented him with numerous other honours in 2017, including the Sangeet Natak Akademi.
- It is important to note that one of Bihar's most well-known and ancient folk dances is called "Launda Naach" from the state. In this, a boy dressed and made up to dance like a girl.
- On any significant occasion, people in the state hold launda dances. This traditional dance is now mostly ignored by the majority of the population. Currently, the state is home to only a small number of Launda dance troupes, who are preserving this art form.



- It is important to note that Shri Ramchandra Manjhi, who was born in 1925 in the Bihar region of Saran, was the final surviving representative of the "Nach" dance tradition created by the renowned folk artist, dancer, and singer Bhikhari Thakur.

Niharika Kumari has been chosen for the National Inspire Award Standard Scheme.

Why is in News ?

- The Department of Science and Technology, Government of India, has chosen Niharika Kumari, a class X girl from the Bihar district of Madhubani, for the National Inspire Award Standard Scheme.
- Under this scheme, schools can nominate the 5 best original ideas/innovations of students through this website till 15th October 2022.

Key Points :-

- Niharika Kumari has been chosen at the national level for the project she worked on showcasing her weightlifting skills.
- The weight lifting procedure is being conducted efficiently by this project, which was developed by Niharika, the daughter of Toonth resident Vishwanath Sah, without the aid of any electricity, fuel, or energy.
- In cooperation with the Government of India and the Ministry of Science and Technology, the National Inspire Award Standard Scheme is carried out each year.
- For their model and other scientific discoveries, the chosen student receives a monetary financial aid from the Central Government in the amount of Rs 10,000 through DBT.
- Through this programme, students in classes VI through X from all public and private schools in the nation have the chance to present their scientific findings or ideas on a stage that is open to the entire country.
- The students' innovations and ideas are chosen based on how unique, useful, environmentally friendly, and superior to currently existing technology they are, as well as how well they fit into society.
- If any inventions or creative ideas are chosen and patented, a portion of the proceeds is also granted to the student up until the point where the work is completed on it.



- The scheme aims to target one million original ideas/innovations rooted in science and societal applications to foster a culture of creativity and innovative thinking among school children.

Madhubani district professor Arun Kumar Jha honored with 'World Literature Teacher Award'

Why is in News ?

- Recently, Professor Arun Kumar Jha received the "World Literary Teacher Award" from the British Lingua, a global organisation, in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the teaching, promotion, and literary skills development of English language and literature over a period of almost 40 years.

Key Points :-

- At addition to being a well-known poet, Prof. Arun Kumar Jha has been employed for the past 44 years in the English Department of Aurobindo College, University of Delhi.
- Due to his exceptional poetic abilities in English literature, professional Arun Kumar Jha has been given the World Poetry Award-2022. The first poetic treatise on the Constitution and Law in the world was written by him.
- British Lingua, an international organisation that works in the field of mass communication skills, bestows the coveted honour known as the "World Literature Teacher Award."
- The son of Shri Lokesh Nath Jha, the former education minister of Bihar, Professor Arun Kumar Jha resides in the village of Mangrauni in the Madhubani region of that state.
- It is important to note that this year, 46 teachers from all over the nation were chosen to receive the National Teacher Award, including those from the Mahadev Higher Secondary School in Khushrupur, Bihar, Nishi Kumari in Patna, and Lalit Narayan Laxmi Narayan Project Girls High School in Triveniganj, Supur. There is also Saurav Suman.
- Nishi Kumari, a teacher, has contributed particularly to the discussion of girl child health and sanitary pads, while Saurav Suman has pushed to develop the technical sector in the state's government schools.



The 33rd Eastern Zone Junior Athletic Championship saw Bihar finish in second place.

Why is in News ?

- The 33rd East Zone Junior Athletics Championship, which lasted three days from September 10 to September 12, attracted 800 athletes from 13 different states. It was held in the Patliputra Sports Complex in Kankarbagh, in the Bihar district of Patna.

Key Points :-

- The Athletics Federation of India worked in tandem with the Bihar Athletics Association and Sports Development Authority to put up the 33rd East Zone Junior National Athletics Championship in 2022.
- With 471.5 total points, the Bihar team finished second in this athletics championship, while Jharkhand scored 485.5 total points to win.
- Bihar has sent 140 athletes to various competitions, 85 of them are men and 55 of whom are women, and they have combined to win 73 medals.
- 18 Gold Medals, 24 Silver Medals, and 31 Bronze Medals are among the 73 medals that were earned in total.
- It is important to note that Bihar won the overall men's championship in first place. Rajan Mahto won the first gold medal for Bihar. But only 21 medals were earned by Bihar in 2017 overall.
- Teams from all 13 participating states, including Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal, Odisha, Nagaland, Assam, Mizoram, Manipur, Arunachal Pradesh, Tripura, Sikkim, Meghalaya, and the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, took part.
- There were four age categories for the 33rd East Zone Junior National Athletics Championships in 2022: Under 14, 16, 18 and Under 20.

Group Champion – Boys Categories		
Group	Winner	Runner-up
Under-14	Bihar	Jharkhand
Under-16	Bihar	Jharkhand



Under-18	Bihar	Jharkhand
Under-20	Bihar	West Bengal

Group Champion – Girls Categories		
Group	Winner	Runner-up
Under-14	West Bengal	Bihar
Under-16	West Bengal	Jharkhand
Under-18	Jharkhand	West Bengal
Under-20	Jharkhand	West Bengal

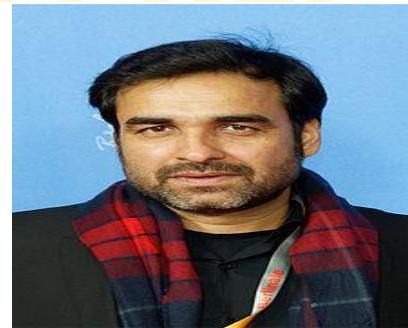
Pankaj Tripathi, an actor, won a Filmfare Award for the movie "Mimi."

Why is in News ?

- The 67th Filmfare Awards 2022 have just been revealed. The best Indian Hindi language films released in 2021 were recognised at the Filmfare Awards ceremony, which was sponsored by The Times Group.

Key Points :-

- The 67th Filmfare Awards in 2022, which honour the most coveted film, were presented at the Jio World Convention Centre in Mumbai.
- The Times Group presents the Filmfare Awards each year to recognise professional achievement in both artistic and technical aspects of the Indian cinema industry. One of the first events related to Indian movies was the Filmfare ceremony. The first awards ceremony took place in 1954.
- For his supporting role in the movie "Mimi" in the category "Best Supporting Actor Male," Pankaj Tripathi has received the Filmfare Award, according to the list of winners.



Pankaj Tripathi :-



- Born in Gopalganj, Bihar, Pankaj Tripathi is most known for the 2012 movie Gang of Wasseypur as well as the online series Mirzapur, Criminal Justice, and Sacred Games Season 2.
- Pankaj Tripathi, an actor, completed his undergraduate studies in Patna and has been performing in Patna theatre since then. The National School of Drama was where he attended to begin his acting studies.
- Pankaj Tripathi began his acting career in the year 2004 with the movie Run, starring Abhishek Bachchan and Bhumika Chawla, in which he played the role of a thief. Gurgaon, which was released in 2017, was Pankaj Tripathi's debut movie in a leading role.
- Pankaj Tripathi made his stage debut in the 1995 production of "Leela Nandlal," a drama based on the life of Bhishma Sahni and directed by Vijay Kumar. He had a crucial part in the Star Plus television programme "Gulaal" in the year 2010.
- Hemwanti, Pankaj Tripathi's mother, is a housewife, while his father, Pandit Banaras Tiwari, is a farmer and a priest. He is married to Mridula Tripathi, and Ashi Tripathi is their daughter.

Vibha Lal, a well-known Mithila Painter, has been chosen for a National Award

Why is in News ?

- By the Office of the Handicraft Development Commissioner, Ministry of Textiles, Central Government, the Shilp Guru, National Award and Design Innovation Award-2019 has recently been announced.
- Vibha Lal is the only artist from Bihar to have been chosen for Mithila Painting out of a total of 41 artists chosen from around the nation for the National Award. In recognition of his invention/Kriti Krishna-Leela, he received a national award.

Key Points :-

- Vibha Lal previously won the State Award in 2009 and the Bihar Art Award in 2012 for their Mithila paintings. Her husband helped her win both of these awards before the National Award.
- It is important to note that Late Jagdamba Devi, Vibha Lal's maternal grandmother, was the first woman from Bihar to receive the Padma Shri award for Mithila painting from the Central Government in 1970. Another artist, Mahasundari Devi, received the Padma Shri in 2008.



- While her mother-in-law, her mother-in-law, was the one who created the Mithila artwork, Yashoda Devi served as his teacher. Vibha Lal, a member of the North-Central Cultural Center of the Government of India who was born into this world, is currently employed in this capacity.
- The daughter-in-law of Dhanga (East Tola) of the Madhubani district, Vibha Lal, a 34-year-old Mithila painter, is the recipient of the award, which she views as a tremendous accomplishment and the culmination of 16 years of unrelenting work.

Mithila Art :-

- The term "Madhubani painting" also applies to Mithila art. This fashion is thought to have originated in the village of Madhuban in the Mithila district of North Bihar.
- The use of hues like blue, green, pink, orange, and red, as well as a collection of complicated geometric paintings drawn from mythology, folklore, religious rituals, and contemporary events, is what makes Mithila painting distinctive.
- In India, a group called the Lalit Kala Akademi is working to protect the legacy of Mithila or Madhubani painting.
- While Madhubani painting was once a gender-specific cultural activity carried out by women of the Brahmin and Kayastha communities in the Mithila region, it was also linked to ritualistic practises pertaining to domestic and religious beliefs.
- The history of Mithila painting is connected to British colonial officer W. G. Archer, the former director of the All India Handicrafts Board, Dr. Pupul Jayakar, and Mumbai native Bhaskar Kulkarni.
- Mural painting and Aripan are the two primary categories of Mithila painting. The family deities, the newlywed couple's (kohbar) chambers, and the drawing rooms are generally murals painted on the clay walls of homes.
- Aripan (Alpana) is a unique form of art that is created by drawing lines on the ground to represent objects like lotuses and feet. At many ceremonies, including weddings, dances, and religious observances, aripan is performed.



Gayaji Dam: The biggest rubber dam in the nation, located on the Falgu river of Gaya.

Why is in News ?

- Nitish Kumar, the chief minister of Bihar, recently switched out the conventional concrete dam for the largest rubber dam in the nation as well as a steel bridge equipped with contemporary technology over the Falgu River in Gaya, Bihar.
- This rubber dam, which was constructed at a cost of 312 crores and measures 411 metres in length, 95.5 metres in width, and three metres in height, does not require lubricants, thus it will not have a negative impact on the environment.

Key Points :-

- There will be 2,500 cubic metres of water stored in this dam all year long. Nitish Kumar, the chief minister of Bihar, set the rubber dam's foundation stone in October 2020. It was scheduled to be finished in October 2023.
- It was constructed 13 months ago in September 2022 by the engineers of the Water Resources Department. In order to facilitate the pilgrims' journey from Vishnupad Ghat to Sitakund for Pind Daan, a 411-meter steel footbridge has also been built over the Rabdar Dam.
- A survey indicates that there has been a significant rise in groundwater level of roughly 12.14 feet since the dam's completion. After the dam is built, the water will be kept in a two and a half kilometre area at a height of three to four feet all year long.
- Rubber balloons with six spans that are 65–65 metres long have been used to halt the water. To properly control the flow and storage of water from the Falgu River, its rubber tube can have air added to it and removed using a contemporary mechanised technology.
- On the Jhanjhavati river in Parvatipuram, Andhra Pradesh, the first rubber dam ever constructed in the nation was finished in 2006. YS Reddy, who served as chief minister at the time, introduced it. This dam is 60 metres in length and 3.5 metres in height.



Falgu River :-



- The state of Jharkhand's Palamu district is where the Falgu River has its beginnings. The Bihar holy city of Gaya is traversed by this river. In the Hindu and Buddhist religions, this river has significant significance.
- The Falgu River in Bihar is around 135 kilometres long. This river begins close to Gaya at the meeting of the Lilajan and Mohana rivers, and it eventually merges into the Punpun River.
- Every year, a large number of devotees from across the nation and abroad travel to Gaya, the holy land of knowledge and salvation, and it is significant from a religious and tourism perspective. They come here to perform Pind Daan, bathe in the Falgu River, and perform tarpan in the river in the hopes of bringing salvation to their departed ancestors.

Rubber Dams :-

- On minor rivers, rubber dams are erected. In this dam, there is no spillway. Using a rubber bladder as both a dam and a spillway, a rubber dam is constructed on a concrete foundation.
- This bladder of rubber is filled with air, water, or grain combinations. Ethylene Propylene Diene Monomer Rubber, a bulletproof material, is used to make this bladder.
- Depending on the situation, it could be made smaller or larger. A spillway in a rubber dam is no longer necessary thanks to this technology.
- There is no special technology used in conventional dams to keep water inside the river. But in rubber dams, this method is applied to temporarily stop the flow of water.
- Over fifty years have passed since the early 1950s, when the Rubber Dam Technology was developed and has been used to regulate water flow. Low maintenance costs and versatility are features of this style of dam.
- The Rubber Dam offers an immediate alternative to conventional dams, which is only one of its many benefits. Irrigating the land will provide immediate assistance. prevents fields and villages from submerging. Rubber dams can be used again in different places.



Bihar finished as the runner-up in the 48th Junior National Kabaddi Girls Championship while Haryana won.

Why is in News ?

- In the 48th National Junior Girls Kabaddi Championship, the Bihar girls' team earned the honour of finishing second for the second consecutive year. In the event that was conducted in Baroda earlier in 2007, the Bihar squad had already been awarded this honour.

Key Points :-

- By defeating the Bihar team 48-34, Haryana won this championship for the fourth time in a row. Third place was shared by the Himachal Pradesh team and SAI (Sports Authority of India) jointly.
- From September 1 to September 4, 2022, the 48th National Junior Girls Kabaddi Championship was held in the Sports Complex (Pataliputra Sports Complex) in Patna. It was sponsored by the Amateur Kabaddi Federation of India and hosted by the Bihar State Kabaddi Federation.
- Kabaddi, which is essentially a combat sport with seven players on each side and is played for 40 minutes with a 5-minute break, is played with sticks and other objects (20-5-20).
- The main goal of the game is to score points by breaking into the opponent's court and touching as many defence players as you can without being caught on a breath.



Under the Green Railway Station Project, Bhagalpur Railway Station received a "Silver" grade.

Why is in News ?

- For the amenities at the station and the exceptional work done in the areas of environment, water, and energy conservation, the Indian Green Building Council (IGBC) has awarded the Bhagalpur Railway Station a Silver Rating Certificate under the Green Railway Station initiative.

Key Points :-



- Every year, the Indian Green Building Council surveys Indian buildings and railway stations and gives them grades based on a set of standards. A maximum of 100 points can be awarded for these.
- These ratings, which are awarded by the council to railroad stations, encourage them to operate sustainably.
- Utilizing the green concept to the fullest extent is the only goal of the council's survey, which aims to minimise environmental harm.
- Indian Railways has created the Green Railway Station Rating System with assistance from the Directorate of Environment and the Indian Green Building Council (IGBC) in order to promote and embrace green ideas.
- A division of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), the Indian Green Building Council (IGBC) was established in 2001. "To enable a sustainable built environment for everybody and facilitate India to be one of the global leaders in the sustainable built environment by 2025," is the council's mission statement.
- The accreditation offered by this rating system is based on a total of 15 characteristics that are related to national priorities. The subjects include : Solar Plant, Ramp Access, Electric Charging, Universal Design House and House Keeping, Eco Friendly Chemicals, Rain Water Harvesting, Driveest Management, Employee Friendly Amenities, Health, Sanitation and Sanitation Initiatives, Efficient Measures of Energy and Water Conservation, Energy Conservation, LED lighting in the campus, water saving by water conservation, steps taken for environmental protection, construction of vertical garden in the campus.



Honored by Howard World Records is Dr. Madhubala Sinha of Motihari

Why is in News ?

- In a ceremony for a poetry compilation put on by Howard World Records, Dr. Madhubala Sinha, a resident of Motihari in the Bihar region of West Champaran, was recently recognised for her literary creations.

Key Points :-



- Dr. Madhubala Sinha, a poet from Motihari, took part in the 'Akhand Bharat: Ek Yug Drishta' international poetry festival, which was held in London at Harvard World Records in honour of the Amrit Festival of Independence.
- Three patriotic poems by Dr. Madhubala were featured in this international poetry compilation ceremony in the languages of Hindi, Bhojpuri, and Maithili.
- 91 composers from all states of the nation participated in this compilation event by contributing their music in 19 different languages.
- Dr. Madhubala Sinha's poetry anthology has been edited by Dr. Vidushi Sharma, who herself has also been honored with a world record.
- Dr. Vidushi Sharma is currently an academic advisor for IGNOU and a central directorate of Hindi specialist in the Department of Higher Education of the Government of India.
- Harvard World Records has presented two diplomas and a memento to Dr. Madhubala Sinha in recognition of her accomplishment.
- A global organisation with headquarters in London, India, and Dubai is known as Harvard World Records.
- The ultimate goal of Harvard World Records is to identify talented individuals from around the world and provide them with the support and encouragement they need.



Dr. Birbal Jha from the Madhubani district has been given the Global Skill Trainer Award for 2022.

Why is in News ?

- On the occasion of Teachers Day, General VK Singh (Retd), the Union Minister of State for Civil Aviation and Road Transport & Highways, presented Dr. Birbal Jha of the Madhubani district of Bihar with the esteemed "Global Skill Trainer Award-2022".

Key Points :-



- Dr. Birbal Jha, an English language expert and seasoned teacher who raised the slogan "English for All" in the year 1993, is credited with bringing about a revolutionary change in English instruction in India. He recently joined the Top 20 Self Help Authors Group in India and took fifth place in the list.
- Dr. Birbal Jha, commonly known as the "Pagman of India," is renowned for starting the "Paag Bachao Abhiyan," a cultural movement. As a result, in 2017 the central government also released a postage stamp commemorating "Paag," the cultural identity of the Mithila people.
- Mithila Vibhuti, Dr. Birbal Jha For his English instruction method, has created an illustrated manual called "English Sim" as a structurally combined interactive procedure.
- The "Spoken English and Capacity Building" training programme for government high school teachers was introduced for the first time in Bihar in 2009 thanks to the efforts of Dr. Birbal Jha.
- In the year 1993 in Patna, Dr. Birbal Jha founded a social organisation called "British Lingua." The title of "Youngest Living Legend of Mithila" has been bestowed upon Dr. Birbal Jha for the year 2017.



Bihar's criminal cases came in seventh place overall in the National Crime Records Bureau Report-2021.

Why is in News ?

- According to the annual report just released by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), Bihar has seen a decline in crime against women.
- Data from 2021 published by the NCRB show that Bihar's crime rate against women is less than half that of the country as a whole.

Key Points :-

- Overall, Bihar has the seventh-lowest crime rate in the country. In comparison to this national rate, the crime rate in Bihar has been reported at 211.3, according to statistics released by the National Crime Records Bureau in the year 2021 and used by the Police Headquarters to calculate the national crime rate, which was 487.9.



- When it comes to the overall crime rate among all the Indian states and union territories, Bihar comes in at number 25. In terms of murder, Bihar is placed 8th nationally, however it is ranked 11th when it comes to dacoity
- In terms of crimes against women, Bihar is ranked 26th. The nationwide rate of crime against women is 64.5, however in Bihar it is only 30.2.
- Bihar is the ninth-most violent state in the country when it comes to crimes against women overall. The states that reported the most incidences of violence against women were Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Telangana, Rajasthan, Odisha, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, and Assam.
- Comparing this year to last, there has been a decline in the number of rape cases. According to this data, Bihar's crime rate is 1.4, which is lower than the 4.3 national average, and the state is now ranked 31st in the nation for overall crime.
- The national average crime rate in respect of Scheduled Castes and Tribes Atrocities Act is 25 and in this context, Bihar ranks third in 2021 with a crime rate of 44.5.
- According to the NCRB study, Patna has ranked seventh in cases of kidnapping while Delhi has the highest number of ATM frauds among the 19 metro areas with a population of more than 20 lakh people. Patna has also ranked first in cases of ATM fraud for the third consecutive year.
- When it comes to homicide, Patna comes in at number 12, but when it comes to rapes of women, it comes in at number 1. According to NCRB figures, Patna ranks ninth for dacoity and fraud and fifth for theft.



National Crime Records Bureau :-

- In order to serve as a repository of data on crime and offenders to aid investigators in regard to criminals, the NCRB was founded in 1986 and established its headquarters in New Delhi under the Ministry of Home Affairs.
- It's important to remember that the National Crime Review Board (NCRB) was founded based on recommendations from the Ministry of Home Affairs Task Force (1985) and the National Police Commission (1977–1981).



- Additionally, NCRB has been designated as the central nodal organisation in charge of overseeing the technical and administrative aspects of the "Online Cyber-Crime Reporting Portal."
- Any regular person can use this portal to file a complaint or upload videos as proof in connection with serious crimes like child pornography and rape/gang rape.
- The National Database of Sex Offenders (NDSO), which must be kept up to date and regularly shared with the States and UTs, is another responsibility assigned to NCRB. NCRB is also in charge of putting the Inter-operable Criminal Justice System into practise concurrently (ICJS).
- According to NCRB data for 2017–21, year 2021 saw the largest number of women detained for alleged involvement in economic offences in the previous five years.

A total of 27 Bihar cities, including Gaya, were nominated for the AMRUT Yojana 2.0, which comprised 22 Bihar cities.

Why is in News?

- The Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Development has added the years 2025-2026 to the Atal Renewal and Urban Transformation Mission (AMRUT) program. of which is referred to as AMRUT Yojana 2.0.
- According to the Bihar State Government's recommendation, this program has been expanded to cover 22 cities around the state, including Bodh Gaya. As a result, throughout the following three years, every home in the chosen city would have access to clean tap water, sewage, and wastewater treatment. In addition to the septage connection, all other arrangements will be made.

Key Points:-



- Patna, Gaya, Bhagalpur, Muzaffarpur, Biharsharif, Darbhanga, Purnia, Ara, Begusarai, Katihar, Munger, Danapur, Sasaram, Saharsa, Dehri, Siwan, Chapra, Bettiah, Motihari, Bagaha, Kishanganj, Jamalpur, Jehanabad, Buxar, Hajipur Aurangabad and newly selected city Bodh Gaya are included.
- The number of cities covered by the AMRUT scheme in Bihar has now expanded from 26 to 27 as a result of the inclusion of Bodh Gaya in this list.
- The central government would allocate 20, 40, and 40% of funds to the state in three installments for the execution of the suggested initiatives in the chosen Amrit city by the local administration. The relevant body is required to pay property tax and use it to order to get the third year's payment. The central government must be provided with all the information regarding the fee correction.
- For the improvement of public amenities in 27 cities across the state, it is expected that the AMRUT scheme will cost more than Rs 3835 crore over the five years of the scheme.
- The scope of this program includes cities with a population of at least a lakh. Water supply, sanitation, sewerage, septage, rainwater drainage, toilets, beautifying of river ghats, and the creation of parks are all being undertaken through this program.
- Aurangabad, Begusarai, Bhagalpur, Bhojpur, Buxar, Darbhanga, Gaya, Jehanabad, Katihar, Kishanganj, Munger, Muzaffarpur, Nalanda, West Champaran, Patna, East Champaran, Purnia, Rohtas, Saharsa, Saran, Siwan, and Vaishali are the Bihar cities that are part of AMRUT 2.0



