

Uttar Pradesh

Specific Current Affairs

February 2022



1. Bakhira Wildlife Sanctuary of Uttar Pradesh declared as Ramsar site

- Bakhira Wildlife Sanctuary in Uttar Pradesh have been listed as Wetlands of International Importance by the Ramsar Convention.
- Ramsar Convention is an international treaty for the conservation and sustainable use of wetlands.
- Khijadia Bird Sanctuary near Jamnagar in Gujarat has also been declared as Ramsar site.
- With this, the total number of Ramsar sites in India has gone up to 49.



2. Uttar Pradesh selected as best state tableau of Republic Day parade 2022

- Results have been declared for best tableaux and best marching contingents of Republic Day parade 2022.
- The Indian Navy marching contingent was adjudged as the best marching contingent.
- The Kashi Vishwanath tableau of Uttar Pradesh has been selected as the best among the 12 States/UTs.
- The second place went to Karnataka, followed by Meghalaya.
- Maharashtra was voted as the best in the popular choice category.



3. National Women's Day : 13 February

- National Women's Day is celebrated on the birth anniversary of the Nightingale of India Sarojini Naidu.
- She played a major role in India's struggle for freedom against British colonial rule.
- She was the first woman Governor of Uttar Pradesh, then known as the United Provinces.
- She became the first Indian woman ever to be elected as the President of the Indian National Congress.



4. IIT Kanpur develops biodegradable nanoparticle to protect crops

- Researchers from IIT Kanpur have developed a novel nanoparticle-based biodegradable carbenoid metabolite.
- It can be used as an alternative to chemical-based pesticides and help farmers protect their crops from bacterial and fungal infections.
- The bio formulation is of non-toxic nature, eco-friendly, easily degradable and helps in suppressing the growth and development of plant pathogens.



5. Radheshyam Khemka of Gita Press, Gorakhpur honored with Padma Vibhushan 2022

- Padma Vibhushan was given to Radheshyam Khemka, president of Gita Press, Gorakhpur and editor of Kalyan, the famous magazine of Sanatan Dharma.
- Khemka was associated with many famous institutions of Varanasi. Radheshyam Khemka did his studies from BHU.
- He breathed his last in April 2021 at his residence in Kedarghat. He was 87 years old. Radheshyam Khemka has been editing many religious magazines while fulfilling his role in Gita Press for 40 years.



6. Ken-Betwa link project will come true after 17 years

- In the Union Budget 2022-23, many important announcements have been made for the agriculture sector. The most important in this is the Ken-Betwa link project. For this the government has allocated Rs 44,605 crore.
- The Bundelkhand region, which has been facing drought for a long time, will benefit from this project.
- It consists of 13 districts of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh. Panna, Chhatarpur, Damoh, Tikamgarh, Niwari, Sagar, Raisen, Vidisha and Datia districts of Madhya Pradesh as well as Banda, Mahoba, Jhansi and Lalitpur districts of Uttar Pradesh.



7. Senior litterateur Dr Ranganath Mishra 'Satya' passes away

- Lucknow's senior litterateur Dr Ranganath Mishra 'Satya' passed away at the age of 80.
- Dr. Ranganath Mishra was honored with the Sahitya Bhushan Samman of Uttar Pradesh Hindi Sansthan.
- He was the father of agit genre and a rare composer. He was the founder of the literary body Agit Parishad.



8. KGMU is starting help centers for cancer patients in 12 districts of Uttar Pradesh

- KGMU Lucknow is starting help centers for cancer patients in 12 districts of the state. This facility is being started by the Radiotherapy Department of KGMU.
- Out of this, centers have become in Gorakhpur, Varanasi, Ayodhya, Kannauj, Saifai, Prayagraj. After the development of centers in these districts, Sitapur, Barabanki, Rae Bareli, Gonda, Bahraich, Pratapgarh will expand further.



9. Shachindranath Sanyal's death anniversary : 7 February

- Shachindranath Sanyal was born on April 3, 1893 in Kashi (Varanasi).
- In the two decades of 1920-30, Shachindra Nath Sanyal made Varanasi the center of revolutionaries. He was the head of the revolutionary movement and had twice served the sentence of black water. But the zeal to liberate the country never waned.
- After the formation of the Hindustan Republican Association, on 9 August 1925, the passenger train from Kakori to Lucknow was stopped and the government treasury was looted. After this, a case of Kakori Conspiracy took place in Lucknow and Sanyal was sentenced to life in black water.



10. Nidhipati Singhania became the President of UP Cricket Association

- Nidhipati Singhania was elected as the President of Uttar Pradesh Cricket Association. At the same time, Pradeep Gupta has been elected for the post of secretary.
- For the first time in the history of Uttar Pradesh Cricket Association, elections have been held. At the same time, no other candidate had filed nomination for any post in this election. Due to which all the candidates won unopposed.



11. Family Court made in Lucknow University

- Lucknow University will also settle disputes in matrimonial matters soon. For this a center has been established in the Faculty of Law of the University.
- For two years, due to covid-19, there has been a huge increase in disputes in matrimonial matters. The Ordinary Court failed to dispose of such cases. That is why family courts have been established in every district of Uttar Pradesh. At present, 189 such courts are functioning in the state, in which more than 10000 cases are pending.



12. MoU between IIT BHU and Niigata University Japan

- An agreement was signed between IIT BHU and Niigata University Japan for organizing joint research lectures and seminars, promoting exchange of students and faculty members.
- Students of both the institutes will be able to visit each other and work together in the field of education and research. For this, both the institutions have entered into an agreement among themselves.



13. Saubhagya Yojana : Uttar Pradesh ranks third in solar electrification scheme

- Hon'ble Prime Minister launched Saubhagya scheme on 25 September 2017 to achieve universal household electrification covering every village and every district of the country.
- Under the Saubhagya scheme, Rajasthan has the highest number of 1,23,682 households electrified through solar-based standalone systems, followed by Chhattisgarh (65,373), and then Uttar Pradesh (53,234).



14. 71st Foundation Day of Indian Sugarcane Research Institute

- Indian Sugarcane Research Institute celebrated its 71st Foundation Day on 16 February 2022.
- The Indian Sugarcane Research Institute was established in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh on 16 February 1952 to increase sugarcane production and create new varieties.



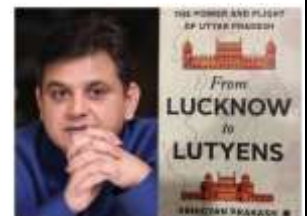
15. Country's first green booth in Lucknow

- In the fourth phase of voting for the Uttar Pradesh Legislative Assembly that was held on February 23, 2022, a green booth was set up at AP Sen PG College, Lucknow.
- This green booth was made to give a better message to the people about the environment.
- The specialty of this booth is zero carbon emissions. Here the whole system was operated with alternative energy (solar energy).
- In this booth, arrangements were made for beautiful, handmade decorations, such as Rangoli and pots for water, to give voters a better experience of the festival of democracy.



16. Abhigyan Prakash's book "From Lucknow to Lutyens" released

- The book "From Lucknow to Lutyens" by Abhigyan Prakash, a senior journalist who understood the pulse of Uttar Pradesh and politics, was released by Young Indians.
- Abhigyan Prakash's book shows the state of Uttar Pradesh's backwardness and its changes from time to time along with the reasons.



17. District Women's Hospital Muzaffarnagar topped in Kayakalp Award

- District Women's Hospital Muzaffarnagar has secured first position under Kayakalp Award Scheme in Uttar Pradesh.
- Lalitpur on the second and Women's Hospital of Meerut on the third, the hospital that got the first prize will get 30 lakh rupees.



18. Reshma Patel qualifies for World Walking Championship

- Prayagraj's Reshma Patel has qualified for the World Walking Championship. She will represent the Indian team for the Under-20 women's category. She is the only female player in this category from across the country.
- A total of 11 athletes are included in the Indian team in the World Walking Championships. Reshma Patel will have a chance to prove herself to the whole world in this World Championships to be held in Muscat, Oman from March 4 to 5. Reshma Patel, who has made three national records, is a resident of Soraon, a small village in Prayagraj.



19. Dr. Hedgewar Award to Dr. Neerja Madhav

- The 32nd Dr. Hedgewar Pragma Samman will be given to Dr. Neerja Madhav of Kashi on behalf of Barabazar Kumarsabha Library, Kolkata, a 104-year-old literary-social organization of Eastern India.
- The selection committee of the library has taken this decision for the effective writing of Dr. Neerja Madhav as a fine essayist. He will be given one lakh rupees and a certificate as an honor. This award was instituted in the year 1990. The first honor was given to Dr. Shridhar Bhaskar Varnekar, a Sanskrit scholar from Nagpur.



20. SIDBI launches 'Waste to Wealth Creation' program

- Small Industries Development Bank of India has launched 'Waste to Wealth Creation' program for women in Sunderbans, West Bengal.
- In this, women will make jewelery and showpieces from fish scales. SIDBI will provide benefits to 50 women earning indirect revenue from alternative livelihoods.
- SIDBI was established on 2 April 1990 in Lucknow, the capital of Uttar Pradesh.

