

# 32nd National Canoe Sprint National Competition | Madhya Pradesh | 11 Mar 2022

## Why in News

 On March 10, 2022, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan launched the 32nd National Canoe Sprint, 15th Para Canoe and 1st Standup Paddling National Competition 2021-22 at Chote Talab, Bhopal.

## **Key Points**

- This competition is being organized in the memory of Late Sanjeev Kumar Singh, a senior IPS officer. This is the first time that this national competition is being organized in the name of an individual.
- The Secretary of Indian Kayaking and Canoeing said that the senior IPS officer, Mr. Sanjeev Kumar has made a special contribution to sports, so this competition is being organized in his name.
- About 750 players from 27 states are participating in this competition, which will run from March 10 to 13. 47 players from the host Madhya Pradesh are participating in this competition. There will be competitions for a total of 285 medals.
- The 15th Para Canoe and 1st Standup Paddling Championship are also being organized on this occasion. The most important thing is that on the basis of this competition, the Indian team is also to be selected, which will participate in the Beijing Asian Games.

## First Drone School of the State | Madhya Pradesh | 11 Mar 2022

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• On March 10, 2022, Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan inaugurated the first drone school of the state by flying a remote drone at MITS ground in Gwalior.

## **Key Points**

- It is noteworthy that on December 11, an announcement was made to open five drone schools in the state, out of which the first school has been launched in Gwalior.
- Union Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia said that 40 to 50 children will be trained in drone technology every month in this drone school. The youth trained in drone pilot training will be able to earn an average income of 30 thousand rupees every month.
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- Madhya Pradesh is currently one of the leading states across the country in the use of drone technology.
- Union Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Minister Narendra Singh Tomar said that special promotion is being given to drone technology in the field of agriculture in the country. In the near future, revolutionary progress will emerge from the use of this technology.
- He said that the Agriculture Department of the Government of India has released the Drone Policy, in which 12th pass children can get good employment as a drone pilot by getting a grant of up to Rs 4 lakh.
- Similarly, if agricultural graduates want to set up a unit of drone technology, they can get a grant
  of up to Rs 5 lakh. Apart from this, institutions can also get up to 100 percent grant in agriculture
  drone policy.
- Tomar said that drone technology is playing an important role in getting home ownership rights to the people of rural areas. Similarly, drone technology has proved to be revolutionary in thwarting the locust attack.

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