



Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath Resigned From the Membership of the Legislative Council | Uttar Pradesh | 23 Mar 2022

Why in News?

- On March 21, 2022, the outgoing Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh, Yogi Adityanath, resigned from his membership of the Legislative Council.

Key Points

- This resignation has been given by Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath after being elected from Gorakhpur (Urban) seat in the recently concluded assembly elections.
 - With the BJP winning 255 seats in the recently concluded elections, Adityanath will be the first chief minister to be re-elected after completing one term in Uttar Pradesh in the last 37 years. For this, on March 25, he will take oath as the Chief Minister.
 - It is noteworthy that Yogi Adityanath will be the first Chief Minister in the last two decades who will be a member of the Legislative Assembly and not of the Legislative Council. The last Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh to have an assembly membership was Mulayam Singh Yadav, when he won the election from Gunnaur seat in the year 2003.
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Bihar Diwas | Bihar | 23 Mar 2022

Why in News?

- On 22 March 2022, the Chief Minister of Bihar, Nitish Kumar inaugurated the function organized to commemorate the 110th Foundation Day of the state at Gandhi Maidan in Patna.

Key Points

- On this occasion a laser show was organized with the help of five hundred drones, in which the map of Bihar was first displayed, then the cultural pride of Bihar was displayed. Along with this, the message of environmental protection and drug de-addiction was also given.
 - It is worth noting that on March 22, 1912, the British formed a new province 'Bihar' separate from Bengal.
 - Bihar and Assam were formed as a result of the Swadeshi movement against the partition of Bengal implemented in 1905, along with the annulment of the partition of Bengal.
 - In the year 2000, a new state 'Jharkhand' was formed separate from Bihar.
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Rajasthan at Fourth Position in the Country in Organizing the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav | Rajasthan | 23 Mar 2022

Why in News?

- Rajasthan has secured the fourth place among various states of the country in terms of uploading the programs being organized under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav on the portal of Ministry of Culture, Government of India.

Key Points

- Programs being organized in different states of India on the occasion of the 75th anniversary of India's independence being celebrated across the country are uploaded regularly on the portal of the Ministry of Culture, Government of India.
 - On March 12 (the anniversary of the Dandi March) the Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav was started in Rajasthan by Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot. Since then, the programs organized by the department have been uploaded on the portal created for this purpose by the Government of India.
 - About 15 days ago, Rajasthan was at 20th place in the country. By 22 March, Rajasthan had reached the fourth position among various states of India by uploading 431 programs.
 - The Department of Art, Literature, Culture and Archeology is the nodal department for organizing the Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav and with the coordination and cooperation of various departments and districts in the entire state, it is constantly trying to make the said event historic in Rajasthan.
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Inauguration of 'Adi Bazaar' at Bhopal Haat | Madhya Pradesh | 23 Mar 2022

Why in News?

- On March 21, 2022, chairman of TRIFED Mr. Ramsinh Rathwa virtually inaugurated a live exhibition of organic tribal products and handcrafted goods 'Adi Bazaar' at Bhopal Haat, Bhopal.

Key Points

- The exhibition will run from March 21 to March 30, 2022. It will have over 70 stalls representing 15 states of the country.
- Representing the core ethos of tribal life, this 10-day long festival features exhibition-cum-sale of tribal handicrafts, art, paintings, clothing, jewelry from 15 states of the country.
- Tribal Arts and Crafts Exhibition 'Adi Bazaar' is being organized jointly under the aegis of Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation Limited (TRIFED) and Ministry of Tribal Affairs.
- These Aadi Bazaars are a part of TRIFED's concerted efforts to improve the livelihood of the underprivileged tribals, who have been most affected in the last two years.
- Aadi Bazar offers products from Tribes India and tribal artisans like the famous Maheshwari sarees from Madhya Pradesh, warm woolen clothes from Ladakh and Himachal Pradesh, various immunity boosting herbs bought by the tribal people of Tamil Nadu and Spices, specialty honeys and organic products from North-East India range from the iconic Toda embroidery to Moga silk from Assam and black pottery from Nagaland.

Haryana Prevention of Unlawful Conversions Bill, 2022 | Haryana | 23 Mar 2022

Why in News?

- On March 22, 2022, the Haryana Legislative Assembly passed the Haryana Prevention of Unlawful Conversions Bill, 2022 against conversions through force, undue influence or allurement.

Key Points

- With this, Haryana has become the fourth state in the country to pass the Conversion Bill. Similar bills were recently passed in Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Himachal Pradesh.
- The Haryana Prevention of Unlawful Conversions Bill, 2022 was introduced in the Haryana Legislative Assembly on March 4, 2022.
- Every offense committed under the Haryana Prevention of Unlawful Conversions Bill, 2022 shall be cognizable and non-bailable.
- According to the Bill, if conversion is done by allurement, use of force, fraudulent means or coercion, then there is a provision for imprisonment of one to five years and a fine of not less than Rs 1 lakh.
- Whoever converts or attempts to convert a minor, a woman or a person belonging to the Scheduled Castes or Scheduled Tribes, shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than four years, which may extend to 10 years and liable to fine not less than Rs 3 lakh.
- Concealment of religion with intent to marry is punishable with imprisonment of not less than three years, which may extend to 10 years. Similarly, anyone found guilty of marrying will have to pay a fine of not less than three lakh rupees.
- According to the bill, mass conversion will be punishable with imprisonment of not less than five years, which may extend to 10 years and with a fine of not less than Rs 4 lakh. On the other hand, if proved to be forcible conversion, there will be a maximum imprisonment of ten years and a minimum fine of five lakh rupees.

Domicile Policy | Jharkhand | 23 Mar 2022

Why in News?

- On March 21, 2022, thousands of youths associated with tribal-indigenous organizations demonstrated in Ranchi on the issue of deciding the local policy (Domicile Policy) on the basis of the land survey conducted in 1932 during British rule.

Key Points

- The agitators say that a separate Jharkhand state was created with the objective that tribes and natives would get priority in government jobs, resources and facilities. But, even after almost two decades of the formation of Jharkhand, this is not happening, because in its resources and jobs, the dominance of people settled in Jharkhand from other states has been established.

- It is on this basis that there is a demand that Jharkhand's 'Local Person' (Domicile) should be considered only those people who have proof that the names of their ancestors are included in the land survey papers (Khatian) in 1932.
 - According to the local policy defined in the tenure of the then Jharkhand Chief Minister Raghuvar Das in 2016, since 1985, people living in Jharkhand have been considered as local residents of Jharkhand, but the present government has practically neutralized this policy. .
 - In this context, on the question asked during the budget session, Chief Minister Hemant Soren said that on the basis of Khatian of 1932, the policy made by the government of Babulal Marandi in the past was rejected by the High Court, so his government will take decision only after statutory consultation in this matter.
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C-Mart Logo Released | Chhattisgarh | 23 Mar 2022

Why in News?

- On March 22, 2022, Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel released the logo of C-Mart in the assembly premises. The logo reflects the work of artisans, weavers, craftsmen, potters and other traditional artists in a festive way.

Key Points

- The logo depicts the traditional Haat-bazaar of the tribals under the Sal tree, the open market in Indian villages and towns is the exchange center of the local people.
 - The abundance of rice production in Chhattisgarh has been highlighted through paddy bales. Chhattisgarh state is one of the three major paddy producing states of India.
 - The traditional clothes of the tribal women of Chhattisgarh are depicted through beige, maroon and green colors.
 - It is noteworthy that a new initiative has been taken by the state government to link the finished products in the villages with the market of cities for the rapid development of the rural economy.
 - Under the schemes of various departments of the state government, women self-help groups, craftsmen, weavers, artisans, potters or other traditional and cottage industries, like modern showrooms in cities for marketing them commercially, C-Mart is being set up to ensure proper price for the products manufactured by them..
 - For this, in the first phase, C-Mart is being established in all district headquarters in the form of modern showrooms in 8 to 10 thousand square feet in case of municipal corporations and 6 to 8 thousand square feet in case of municipalities.
 - With the establishment of C-Mart, all these categories of entrepreneurs will get maximum benefit. C-Mart will ensure that the products of different entrepreneurs will be sold under one roof.
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Jhanda Fair | Uttarakhand | 23 Mar 2022

Why in News?

- With the ascent of the new holy Shri Jhande ji on March 22, 2022, the Jhanda Mela formally started

in Dehradun.

Key Points

- It is worth noting that the Jhanda Mela, which lasts for about a month, starts five days after Holi, on Chaitra Krishna Panchami, with the ascension of Shri Jhande ji to the Darbar Sahib.
- The Shree Jhande ji fair held in Dehradun has its own history. For this, thousands of devotees from different places of the country including Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan reach Shri Darbar Sahib.
- There are three types of cover on Shree Jhande ji. The starting 41 layers of Gilaaf is the simple plain cloth called 'Jhanda Ji' then followed by 21 layers of velvet cloth called 'Shaneel' and the final outer covering of 'Darshani cloth'.

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