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## **Fisheries College Kabirdham Named after Padma Shri Punaram Nishad | Chhattisgarh | 07 May 2022**

### **Why In News?**

- On May 6, 2022, an order was issued by the Chhattisgarh government to rename the Fisheries College Kabirdham after Padma Shri Punaram Nishad.

### **Key Point**

- Fisheries College Kabirdham will now be known as Punaram Nishad Fisheries College.
- It may be mentioned that a proposal was unanimously sent by the New Fish Policy Making Committee to the Government to rename the Fisheries College Kabirdham after Padma Shri Punaram Nishad.
- After the consent of Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel, fisheries college Kabirdham has been renamed after Padma Shri Punaram Nishad by the state government.
- It may be mentioned that Fisheries College Kabirdham is the only fisheries college in Chhattisgarh, which was inaugurated by the then Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh Raman Singh on July 8, 2018.
- It may be recalled that Padma Shri late Punaram Nishad was a popular singer of the Vedamati style of 'Pandwani', the popular mode of singing the Mahabharata katha in Chhattisgarh. On the strength of his prodigious talent, he popularized 'Pandwani' in the country and abroad.
- In view of his art, in the year 1974, the then President of India, Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed, awarded him the copper letter. The Government of India had awarded him the Padma Shri in the year 2005 for singing 'Pandwani'.