



# Kala Utsav 2020

## Why in News

Recently, Kala Utsav 2020 - an annual function to promote arts in education, was organised by the Ministry of Education.

## Key Points

### ▪ About Kala Utsav:

- **Ministry Involved:** Kala Utsav is an initiative of the **Ministry of Education (MoE)** to **promote arts in education**.
  - This programme **was initiated** under **Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA)**, which has now been merged with other schemes under '[Samagra Shiksha - an integrated scheme for school education](#)'.
- **Aim:** Kala Utsav aims at **nurturing and showcasing the artistic talent of school students** at the secondary stage in the country.
  - **District/State/National Level Utsav** is structured as an **art festival** which includes performances and display of exhibits.
- **In Accordance with NCF 2005:**
  - In the context of education of Arts (Music, Theatre, Dance, Visual Arts and Crafts), the initiative is guided by the recommendations of the **National Curriculum Framework 2005** (NCF-2005).
- **Importance:**
  - **Introduction of Indigenous Toys and Games** segment in Kala Utsav 2020 supported the '[Vocal for Local](#)' initiative.
  - It is in **sync with the recommendations of [National Education Policy 2020](#)** which emphasises the promotion of arts and culture through education.
  - It **complements the Samagra Shiksha Scheme** by enhancing aesthetics and artistic experiences for **secondary-level students**, which play a major role in creating awareness of **India's rich cultural heritage** and its **vibrant diversity in line with '[Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat](#)'**.
  - It enhances the **students' reasoning, comprehensibility, problem solving, cognitive and decisive abilities**, which are helpful in the **all-round development** of the student.
- **Other Initiatives Taken for Promoting Arts:**
  - [Kala Sanskriti Vikas Yojana](#) (Ministry of Culture).
  - [Scheme for Safeguarding the Intangible Cultural Heritage](#) (Ministry of Culture).

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