



5 rivers of Jharkhand to be developed under 'National Mission for Clean Ganga' | Jharkhand | 18 Apr 2023

Why in News?

According to information received from media sources on 16 April 2023, 109 rivers across the country will be developed under the 'National Mission for Clean Ganga' program of the Central Government. In this, the rivers of five districts of Jharkhand will also be included.

Key Points

- For the implementation of the scheme, the Center has written a letter to the Jharkhand government seeking a management plan for the rivers located in five districts. All the five rivers selected should be situated in the urban area.
 - The central government has selected five cities of Jharkhand in the first phase. In this, a management plan will be prepared for rivers located in Adityapur, Ranchi, Medininagar, Giridih and Dhanbad.
 - The central government will provide financial assistance for the development of these rivers.
 - The objective of the said scheme is to preserve the rivers of the city. This will protect the environment. Social and economic activities will also increase. After the list of rivers is made available by the Jharkhand government, a plan for their development will be prepared.
 - This plan will be prepared jointly by the National Mission for Clean Ganga and the National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA).
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Kapilo Gram Panchayat got National Panchayat Award 2023 | Jharkhand | 18 Apr 2023

Why in News?

On 17 April 2023, President Smt. Draupadi Murmu presented the National Panchayat Award 2023 to Gram Panchayat Kapilo of Jharkhand at the National Conference on Promotion of Panchayats in New Delhi.

Key Points

- Gram Panchayat Kapilo of Birni block of Giridih district was awarded the Nanaji Deshmukh Sarvottam Panchayat Sustainable Development Award (NDSPSP) for overall performance under all 9 LSDG themes and special categories related to green initiatives.
- It is known that earlier also Kapilo Panchayat of Birni block was awarded Nanaji Deshmukh Rashtriya Gaurav Gram Sabha Award 2021 for excellent works.
- National Panchayat Awards were presented to the Panchayats selected in the following different categories-

- Deendayal Upadhyaya Panchayat Sustainable Development Award (DDUPSP) for performance under individual LSDG themes
 - Nanaji Deshmukh Best Panchayat Sustainable Development Award (NDSPSVP) for overall performance under all 9 LSDG themes and specific categories related to green initiatives
 - Gram Urja Swaraj Special Panchayat Award
 - Carbon Neutral Special Panchayat Award.
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Lac cultivation got the Status of Agriculture | Jharkhand | 18 Apr 2023

Why in News?

On 17 April 2023, in the cabinet meeting chaired by Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren, it was agreed to give agriculture status to lac cultivation in the state.

Key Points

- Cabinet Secretary Vandana Dadel said that about five lakh farmer families in 12 districts of the state including Khunti, Gumla, Singhbhum, Latehar, Garhwa, and Hazaribagh districts will be benefited by getting the agriculture status to Lac.
- Significantly, the state of Jharkhand ranks first in the country in the production of lacquer. Lac cultivation is done the most in Jharkhand because the farmers here have enough resources to cultivate lac, which helps them a lot in doing this farming. Apart from this, the weather of Jharkhand is also good for lac cultivation.
- According to statistics, 15-16 thousand tonnes of lac are produced in the state of Jharkhand every year. This farming is a great source of livelihood for most of the people here. The farmers associated with lac cultivation get 25 percent of their total income from lac only.
- It is known that lac or lacquer is a natural resin, which is why it is called 'Nature's Boon'. Lac insects are very subtle and provide us with financial help by producing lac from their body. Lac in scientific language is called 'Lacifer Lakha'.