



Aipan Mahotsav' Started | Uttarakhand | 16 Oct 2023

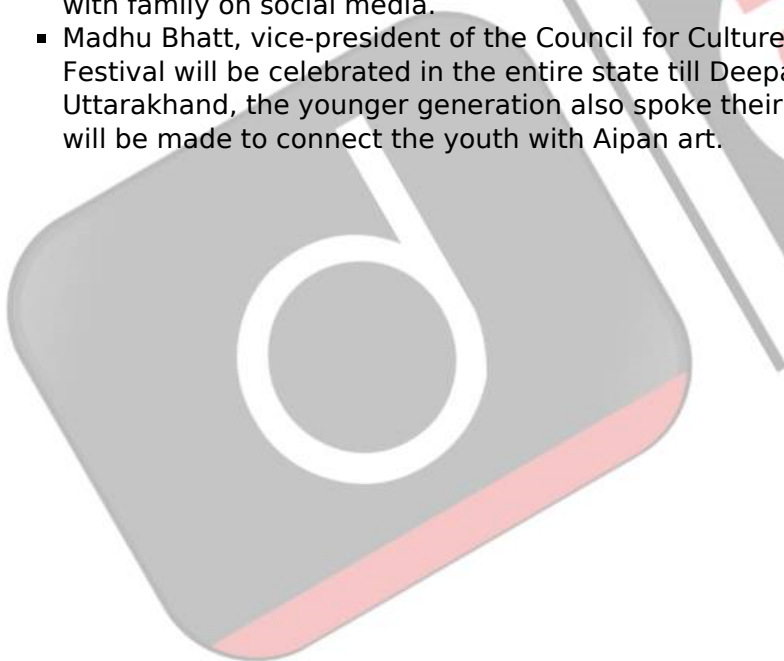
Why In News?

On October 15, 2023, 'Aipan Mahotsav' was inaugurated by the Council of Culture, Literature and Arts of Uttarakhand to promote folk culture Aipan art in the auditorium of Uttarakhand Sanskriti Sahitya Kala Parishad located at Haridwar Bypass.

Key Points:

- In a video message at the inauguration of the festival, Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami called upon the people of the state to celebrate Aipan Mahotsav from October 15 to November 12 till Deepawali and said that with collective efforts, Aipan art will get recognition on the global stage.
- In the video message, the CM said that Aipan art is a mode of folk culture. For the happiness and prosperity of the family, Aipan is made on the walls and walls of the house.
- The state government is trying to take this art to the country and the world. For this, a collective effort will give a new identity to Aipan. He called upon everyone to become a part of every household by Deepawali. For this, people should create an app at their homes and upload selfies with family on social media.
- Madhu Bhatt, vice-president of the Council for Culture, Literature and Arts, said that the Aipan Festival will be celebrated in the entire state till Deepawali. To promote the folk culture of Uttarakhand, the younger generation also spoke their Garhwal, Kumaoni, Jaunsari dialect. Efforts will be made to connect the youth with Aipan art.

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140 Players from Uttarakhand will Participate in 18 Sports in the

37th National Games. | Uttarakhand | 16 Oct 2023

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On October 15, 2023, the Uttarakhand Olympic Association released the list of participating players of the state in the 37th National Games starting from October 26 in Goa. 140 players from Uttarakhand will participate in 18 sports.

Key Points:

- According to Special Principal Secretary Sports Abhinav Kumar, the Olympic Association selects and prepares the list of players for the National Games. The system which is there in other states is the same in Uttarakhand.
- The national games to be held in Goa include 13 in kayaking and canoeing, one in cycling, six in swimming, four in wushu, two in weightlifting, six in judo, seven in taekwondo, 20 in mini golf, 10 in yoga, three in shooting, 12 in football, 10 in boxing, seven in penkacsilt, six in sepak takraw, 14 in athletics. There will be 11 players in badminton, six in archery, two in golf. At the same time, 47 coaches and staff will also go to Goa.



A New World Record Made in Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Visit to Kumaon | Uttarakhand | 16 Oct 2023

Why In News?

On October 15, 2023, Bina Bhatt, Director of Culture Department, said that a new world record has been set during Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Kumaon in Uttarakhand. The Uttarakhand Culture Department has also received the provisional certificate of the World Book of Records London.

Key Points:

- Kumaon: Prime Minister Narendra Modi's performance on his visit to Kumaon with dhol damau folk instruments of Choliya and Jhoda folk dance of Kumaon has found a place in the World Book of Records.
- On October 12, at an altitude of 5338 feet (1627 meters) above sea level in Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand, three thousand folk artists of the state participated in this unique event organized by the Culture Department with their traditional costumes and folk songs.
- With the performance of these artists of Choliya and Jhoda dance troupe from remote areas of Pithoragarh, the world's attention has been drawn to the historical and rich folk cultural heritage of the state.
- During the presence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, folk artists of Choliya and Jhoda dance teams, equipped with their traditional costumes and ornaments, came to participate. During the event, traditional folk instruments such as tun and Ranasinghe were seen by the artistes.



Chief Minister Inaugurated the Office of Hexaware Technology | Uttarakhand | 16 Oct 2023

Why In News?

On October 15, 2023, Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhama inaugurated the local office of Hexaware Technology at Doon Business Park, Transport Nagar, Dehradun.

Key Points:

- On this occasion, Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami said that continuous efforts are being made to improve the systems with technology in the state. He said that this office of Hexaware Technology will prove to be a milestone in the expansion of IT services.
- Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami said that the country is making rapid progress in the field of technology. This sector is becoming a medium of empowerment and contributing significantly in taking people towards self-reliance. New India is not only a consumer of technology but is also playing an active role in the development and implementation of technology.
- At the time of 2G, 3G, 4G, India was dependent on other countries for technology, but with 5G, India has created a new history. With 5G, India is setting global standards in telecom technology for the first time. Digitalization is happening rapidly in India.
- Digital India is an important part of the country's broader vision of development. The goal of this vision is to bring that technology to the common people, which works for the people, works in collaboration with the people.
- He said that today digital India has provided a platform and a market to small traders, small entrepreneurs, artisans. In the market, people working in the markets and in the markets, all are using UPI.

