



Workers Rally Against Anti-Encroachment Drives | Uttarakhand | 01 Jun 2024

Why in News?

A large **public rally** took place at **Gandhi Park** to commemorate the **92nd anniversary of the [Tilari agitation](#)**. The participants included daily wage earners and members of social organizations that were protesting against the anti-encroachment activities initiated by civic bodies.

Key Points

- The drives are being carried out in compliance with the [National Green Tribunal's](#) directives to remove illegal structures from the flood plains of the **Rispana river**.
- Despite the municipal commissioner agreeing that any valid ID could be used as proof of residence, the documents were rejected by **Mussoorie Dehradun Development Authority (MDDA)**.
- The protester highlighted the lack of time given to challenge these rejections and avoid their families' eviction.

Tilari Agitation

- **On May 30, 1930**, a significant satyagraha took place at Tilari against the forestry policies of **Tehri Garhwal state**, which resembled those implemented by the British in the rest of Uttarakhand.
- While the **Maharaja of Tehri** was away in Europe, his Prime Minister, Chakradhar Juyal, brutally suppressed the Tilari protest in a manner reminiscent of the **Jallianwala Bagh tragedy**.
- Troops gunned down defenseless individuals, including young ones, and numerous perished in the **Yamuna River** while attempting to escape.