



## Bihar's World Famous Rajgir Malmas Fair started

### Why in News?

On July 18, 2023, the world-famous Rajgir Malmas Mela began at Rajgir in Nalanda district of Bihar. There will be many holy baths during the 1 month long fair. The fair began with traditional flag hoisting in the presence of saints and seers.

### Key Points:

- It is believed in Hinduism that 33 crore gods and goddesses migrate to Rajgir during the month of Malmas. During this time, lakhs of devotees from different parts of the country and the state reach Rajgir to worship and take a holy bath in Brahmakund.
- The Malamas Fair is held every 3 years. It is believed that bathing in the hot water pool of Rajgir during Malamas eliminates all sins.
- It is believed that during the Malamas Mela, there is no worship and marriage ceremony and auspicious work anywhere in the country. It is also a belief that yellow clothes are worn while chanting mantras at the time of flag hoisting of Malmas fair, it gives benefits.

