



Khargone's Daughters won four Medals in Asian Canoe Slalom in Thailand

Why in News?

According to information received from the media on 23 May 2023, the girls of Maheshwar of Khargone district have won four medals in the Asian Canoe Slalom Competition held in Pattaya, Thailand.

Key Points:

- Sports Officer Pavi Dubey said that 11 players represented the country in the Water Sports Canoe Slalom Competition. In this, Shikha Chauhan from Khargone district of Madhya Pradesh won two bronze, Bhumi Baghel one bronze and Ahana Yadav won one bronze medal.
- Canoe slalom is a balancing sport in fast-flowing water. Competitors in canoe slalom compete over a white water course of up to 300 meters, where they must pass a maximum of 25 upstream and downstream gates as quickly as possible. It happens.
- Two types of boats are used in this sport: The first is the canoe, which is also called a Dongi in Hindi. The canoe is a special type of boat which is long, narrow and very light. With the canoe, the athlete is tied in a kneeling position and propels the boat using a paddle (single-blade paddle).
- And the other type of boat is called 'Kayak', which has double-bladed paddles. In this, athletes sit and participate in the race using two paddles.
- Canoe slalom was introduced in Switzerland in the early 1930s as an alternative to the summer sports of slalom skiing included in the winter sports. In the early days, however, races were held on flatwater rather than whitewater courses.



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