

First All-girls Sainik School

Why in News?

On the 1st January, 2024, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh inaugurated the **'Samvid Gurukulam Girls Sainik School'** in Vrindavan, Mathura.

Key Points

- It is the first all-girls Sainik School, with a strength of approximately 870 students.
- It is made under the initiative of establishing 100 new Sainik Schools in partnership mode with Non-governmental Organizations (NGOs)/Private/State Government Schools in all State/Union Territories.
 - 42 of these schools have already been set up.
- It is described as a ray of hope for girls who aspire to join the Armed Forces.
 - In 2019, Rajnath Singh had approved admission of girl children to Sainik schools in a phased manner, following the success of the pilot project in Sainik School Chhingchhip in Mizoram.
- The vision of setting up of 100 new Sainik Schools aims to provide quality education to the students in tune with the <u>National Education Policy 2020</u> and provide better career opportunities, including joining the Armed Forces.

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