

Gohana: 23rd District of Haryana

Why in News?

Addressing a gathering in Gohana on the occasion of <u>626th birth anniversary of saint Kabir Das</u>, the Haryana chief minister Nayab Singh Saini announced that **Gohana in Sonepat is set to be announced as the 23rd district of Haryana**.

Key Points

- A committee has been formed to form new districts in the state and it will submit its report within three months. After which Gohana will be declared as a new district of the state.
- During the gathering the chief minister announced:
 - The construction of a chowk named after Saint Kabir in Gohana.
 - Allocation of ₹31 lakh to Gohana Dhanak shiksha sabha for the construction of a library and langar hall.
 - Immediate initiation of the **construction of a bypass on the Rohtak-Jind** road as soon as the required land is available.
 - Completion of the backlog in government jobs.
- The CM also informed that the <u>Haryana Antyodaya Parivar Parivahan Yojana (HAPPY)</u> has been introduced, which offers **free travel up to 1000 km annually** in Haryana State Transport buses to 84 lakh individuals from 23 lakh families with incomes below ₹1 lakh.
 - Under the <u>Chirayu yojana</u>, the government is providing free medical treatment up to ₹5
 lakh per year to economically disadvantaged individuals at government and private hospitals.
 - The state government has also initiated the Mahapurush Samman Prachar Prasar Yojana to promote the teachings of great personalities among the masses.

Sant Kabir Das

- He was born in the city of Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh. He was a 15th century mystic poet, saint and social reformer and a proponent of the Bhakti Movement.
 - Kabir's legacy is still going on through a sect known as Panth of Kabir, a religious community that considers him as the founder.
- His early life was in a Muslim family, but he was strongly influenced by his teacher, the Hindu bhakti leader Ramananda.
- Kabir Das' writings had a great influence on the Bhakti movement and includes titles like Kabir Granthawali, Anurag Sagar, Bijak, and Sakhi Granth.
 - His verses are found in Sikhism's scripture <u>Guru Granth Sahib.</u>
 - The major part of his work was collected by the fifth Sikh guru, Guru Arjan Dev.
 - He was best known for his two-line couplets, known as 'Kabir Ke Dohe'.
- Kabir's works were written in the **Hindi language** which was easy to comprehend. He used to write in couplets to enlighten people.

