

Logo and Mascot for Women's Asian Champions Trophy, 2024 | Bihar | 07 Oct 2024

Why in News?

Recently, Bihar Chief Minister unveiled the **logo and mascot** for the **Women's Asian Champions Trophy**, 2024, set to take place in **Rajgir, Bihar** from **11th November to 20th, 2024.**

Key Points

- Mascot Unveiling 'Gudiya':
 - The mascot for the **Women's Asian Champions Trophy, 2024** is **"Gudiya,"** a term of endearment in Bihar for young girls.
 - Inspired by the house sparrow, an endangered species, the mascot represents resilience, strength, and natural heritage.
 - Gudiya's bold stance and confident expression reflect the determination and athleticism of the players, symbolizing empowerment and awareness for endangered species protection.
- Logo Design:
 - The logo features the **Bodhi Tree**, symbolizing **growth and resilience**, tied to Bihar's spiritual heritage.
 - The intertwining branches reflect the journey of an athlete, connecting the past and future, showcasing Bihar's increasing role in international sports.
- Promoting Women's Empowerment and Sports Infrastructure:
 - The tournament and its symbolic elements align with Bihar's mission to promote <u>women's</u> <u>empowerment</u> and further develop the state's **sports infrastructure**.
 - Hosting such prestigious international events brings global attention to Bihar, creating new opportunities for **local talent** and **sports development**.

Women's Asian Champions Trophy

- The Women's Asian Champions Trophy is a biennial international field hockey competition featuring the top six women's national teams from member associations of the Asian Hockey Federation.
- Key Highlights:
 - The tournament includes the **best six women's national teams** from Asia.
 - **South Korea** holds the most titles, having won the tournament **three times**.
 - India and Japan have each won the tournament twice.