



Prime Minister Laid the Foundation Stone of International Cricket Stadium in Ganjari, Kashi

Why In News?

On September 23, 2023, Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone of the International Cricket Stadium in Ganjari, Varanasi district of Uttar Pradesh.

Key Points:

- This is the first stadium being built in Uttar Pradesh by the Board of Control for Cricket in India.
- The International Cricket Stadium in Varanasi will be a step towards realizing the Prime Minister's vision of developing modern world-class sports infrastructure.
- The modern international cricket stadium will be developed at Ganjari, Rajatalab in Varanasi at a cost of approximately Rs 450 crore and will be spread over an area of more than 30 acres.
- The architecture of this stadium is inspired by Lord Shiva, in which the designs of crescent-shaped roof cover, trident-shaped lights, seating arrangement based on ghat stairs and belpatra-shaped metal sheets on the façade have been developed. The capacity of this stadium will be 30,000 spectators.
- On this occasion, 16 Atal Residential Schools of Uttar Pradesh were also inaugurated by the Prime Minister at Rudraksh Convention Center in Banaras.
- The Prime Minister also awarded the winners under 'Kashi Sansad Cultural Mahotsav-2023'.
- This innovative program to honor these cultural workers has taken place for the first time. More than 40,000 artists participated in different programs.
- The Prime Minister also inaugurated the portal and QR code for 'Kashi Sansad Sports Competitions' to be held from October 15 to November 05, 2023.



