



Mahendra Singh Mewar from Mewar Royal Family Passes Away | Rajasthan | 11 Nov 2024

Why in News?

Recently, Former Member of Parliament and member of the erstwhile **Mewar royal family Mahendra Singh Mewar** passed away in Udaipur. He was a **descendant of [Maharana Pratap](#)**.

Key Points

- **Maharana Pratap:**
 - **Rana Pratap Singh**, also known as Maharana Pratap, was **born on 9th May 1540 in Kumbhalgarh, Rajasthan.**
 - He was the **13th King of Mewar** and was the eldest **son of Udai Singh II.**
 - Maharana Udai Singh II ruled the kingdom of Mewar, with his capital at Chittor.
 - **Udai Singh II** was also a **founder of the city of Udaipur** (Rajasthan).
- **Battle of Haldighati:**
 - The [Battle of Haldighati](#) was **fought in 1576 between Rana Pratap Singh of Mewar and Raja Man Singh of Amber** who was the general of the Mughal emperor Akbar.
 - Maharana Pratap fought a brave war but was **defeated by Mughal forces.**
 - It is said that **Maharana Pratap's loyal horse named Chetak**, gave up his life as the Maharana was leaving the battlefield.
- **Reconquest:**
 - **After 1579**, the Mughal pressure relaxed over Mewar and Pratap recovered Western Mewar including Kumbhalgarh, Udaipur and Gogunda.
 - During this period, he also built a **new capital, Chavand**, near modern Dungarpur.
- **Death:**
 - He died on 19th January 1597. He was **succeeded by his son Amar Singh**, who submitted in 1614 to Emperor Jahangir, son of Akbar.



Pratap Gaurav Kendra

- It is a **tourist spot** at **Tiger Hill** in **Udaipur city, Rajasthan**.
- It aims at **providing information about Maharana Pratap** and the historical heritage of the area **with the help of modern technology**.

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