



Rajgir Sports Complex

Why in News?

Rajgir Sports Complex is set to host the [Women's Asian Hockey Champions Trophy, 2024](#) from 11th to 20th November, 2024 in Rajgir, Bihar.

Key Points

- Built at a **cost of approximately Rs 740 crores**, the complex stands out as **one of India's largest and most advanced complex**, designed to be self-sufficient.
- **Sports Facilities and Standards:**
 - In addition to the main cricket stadium, the complex will **accommodate 25 sports**, including hockey, football, kabaddi, volleyball, swimming, and wrestling, all built to meet international standards.
 - The first arena to be completed, it can seat around 8,000-10,000 spectators and features a playing field identical to the one used in Paris.
- **Architectural Style and Design:**
 - The Bihar government chose **brick and stone** for office buildings, residential facilities, and sports venues, **giving the complex a grand, traditional look**.
 - The hockey arena includes murals of [ancient Nalanda](#) as a center of learning, with this theme carried into the changing rooms.
 - A mural is a **piece of graphic artwork** that is painted or applied directly to a wall, ceiling or other permanent substrate.

Women's Asian Hockey Champions Trophy

- It is a **biennial international field hockey competition** featuring the top six women's national teams from member associations of the **Asian Hockey Federation**.
- 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**.