



Ayodhya Deepotsav 2024

Why in News?

Recently, preparations for the 8th [Deepotsav in Ayodhya](#) have intensified under [Chief Minister's](#) guidance to make this year's event the grandest one.

Key Points

- A total of **18 tableaux** depicting pivotal moments in **Lord Ram's life** will be displayed, symbolizing **Ayodhya's deep cultural heritage**.
 - Key events such as his **marriage, exile, and victory over Ravana** will be represented.
- The **Information Department** is creating 11 tableaux, while the **Tourism Department** is crafting seven, focusing on the seven chapters of the **Ram Charit Manas**, such as **Bal Kand and Lanka Kand**.
- Ayodhya will be illuminated extensively, with diverse lighting enhancing the city's festive spirit.

Ramlila (North India)

- Ramlila, literally "[Rama's play](#)" is a performance of [Ramayana epic](#) in a series of scenes that include song, narration, recital and dialogue.
- It recalls the battle between Rama and Ravana and consists of a series of dialogues between gods, sages and the faithful.
- It is performed across northern India during the festival of [Dussehra](#).
- The most representative Ramlilas are those of [Ayodhya](#), Ramnagar and [Benares](#), [Vrindavan](#), Almora, Sattna and [Madhubani](#).
- This staging of the Ramayana is based on the [Ramcharitmanas](#) which was composed by [Tulsidas](#) in the 16th century AD.

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