

## Rajim Maghi Punni Mela

## Why in News

On February 16, 2022, the Speaker of Chhattisgarh Legislative Assembly Dr. Charandas Mahant inaugurated the 'Rajim Maghi Punni Mela'.

## **Key Points**

- The 'Rajim Maghi Punni Mela' began at the confluence of three rivers (Triveni), in which devotees took a holy bath and worshiped the deities. It will end on March 1.
- It is noteworthy that the city of Rajim and its temple is situated at the confluence of three rivers Sondur, Parri and Mahanadi, which is considered as the 'Prayagraj' of Chhattisgarh. Every year during 'Magha Punni', devotees take a holy dip at the Sangam.
- In the month of Magh, the water of all rivers becomes sacred as Ganga and Mahanadi is the real Ganges. It has been praised in the Puranas as Chitrotpala. In Treta Yuga by Jagdamba Jankiji, Shivling was installed with sand in the middle of its confluence during the time of Shri Ram Vanagaman and he was worshiped as Chitrotpaleshchar, which later became Kuleshwar.
- In this fair, saints coming from different parts of the state and country have been provided 'Sant Niwas'.
- Special transport and sanitation, drinking water, toilets and parking areas have been ensured for this 14-day fair.

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