



Demise of O.P. Chautala | Haryana | 28 Dec 2024

Why in News?

- Recently, the **Haryana government** declared a **three-day state mourning** as a mark of respect to **former Chief Minister Om Prakash Chautala** who passed away in Gurugram.



Key Points

- **State Mourning:**
 - During this period, the **national flag** will be flown at half-mast on all government buildings where it is regularly displayed.
 - All state government functions and official entertainment activities have been cancelled.
- **Public Holiday and State Funeral:**
 - Saturday has been declared a public holiday in all state government offices as a mark of respect.
 - A state funeral was held on 28th December 2024 at Teja Khera farm in Sirsa district, the Chautala family's native village.
- **Passing of Former CM:**
 - Indian National Lok Dal (INLD) president and five-time Haryana Chief Minister Chautala passed away at the age of 89.

Training for Mission YUVA | Jammu & Kashmir | 28 Dec 2024

Why in News?

Recently, the **Ramban district** administration organised a **comprehensive training** for enumerators, supervisors and other stakeholders for **Mission YUVA Baseline Survey**.

Key Points

- **Focus of the Programme:**
 - The programme, presided over by the **District Statistics and Evaluation Officer (DSEO)** and Assistant Director Employment, aimed to **equip participants with skills and knowledge** for conducting the baseline survey under Mission YUVA.
 - Three master trainers conducted sessions, detailing the use of an **online mobile application, [survey methodology](#), and objectives**, with a focus on its paperless execution.
- **Survey Details:**
 - The **baseline survey** will be conducted from **1st to 31st January 2025**.
 - Approximately 600 enumerators, supervisors, and staff will be involved across Ramban district.
- **Mission YUVA:**
 - This initiative is a crucial step toward achieving the objectives of Mission YUVA by providing accurate and actionable data for planning and development.

HC Orders to Protect 17th century Agra Monument | Uttar Pradesh | 28 Dec 2024

Why in News?

Recently, the **Allahabad High Court** provided interim protection to a **17th-century heritage site, the Hammam in Agra**, and instructed the **Archaeological Survey of India (ASI)** and state authorities to **prevent any damage to the monument**.

Key Points

- **Protection of Heritage Site:**
 - A **Public Interest Litigation (PIL)** was filed seeking protection for the **Hammam of Ali Vardi Khan in Agra**, citing the imminent threat of demolition by "illegal and unauthorized persons."
 - The Hammam, located in Chipitola, Agra, was confirmed by an ASI survey in October 2023 to have been built in 1620 AD.
- **Court Directions for Preservation:**
 - The High Court directed the Commissioner of Police, Agra, the ASI, and the **Uttar Pradesh State Archaeology Department** to ensure the monument is not damaged.
 - The Commissioner of Police was instructed to deploy sufficient police forces to safeguard the structure.
- Under **[the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958](#)**, the ASI and state authorities have a **duty to protect the 400-year-old Hammam**.

Shahi Hammam

- It is a **Mughal-era bathhouse** located in Chipitola, Agra, **constructed by Alivardi Khan in 1620**.

- Once part of a larger inn complex, the hammam served not only as a **bathing facility** but also as a **cultural and social center**.

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