

## CM Dhami Inspected Dehradun-Mussoorie Trek

## Why in News?

Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami recently inspected the **historic Dehradun-Mussoorie trek**, emphasizing the **need to enhance amenities and safety measures** for trekkers and tourists.

## **Key Points**

- During his trek along the Shahanshahi Ashram to Jhadipani route, CM Dhami highlighted the importance of preserving the natural beauty of Uttarakhand's trekking trails while improving facilities.
- The Chief Minister directed the <u>Mussoorie Dehradun Development Authority (MDDA)</u> to oversee these improvements, ensuring that the trekking paths remain attractive and wellmaintained.
- Emphasis was placed on the importance of installing better signage and railings to effectively guide trekkers.
  - Assurance was given that similar upgrades would be implemented on other trekking routes across the state to improve visitors' experiences and showcase the region's rich cultural heritage and natural beauty.

## **Mussoorie Dehradun Development Authority (MDDA)**

- The MDDA was established in 1984 to manage the city's urban planning and development under the UP Urban Planning and Development Act of 1973.
- MDDA is focused on keeping pace with the fast-growing population and providing necessary infrastructure to accommodate this growth.
- The focus areas include developing quality infrastructure, addressing housing needs of the underprivileged, and planning Dehradun and Mussoorie in a structured and sustainable manner.
- To make the city meet modern urban standards, it undertakes the following:
  - Implementation of the Master Plan
  - Acquisition of land to implement the various schemes
  - Enforcement of plans and development schemes
  - Adaptation of measures for protection of the natural environment in the development area

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