



# Task Force for Gomti River Rejuvenation

## Why in News?

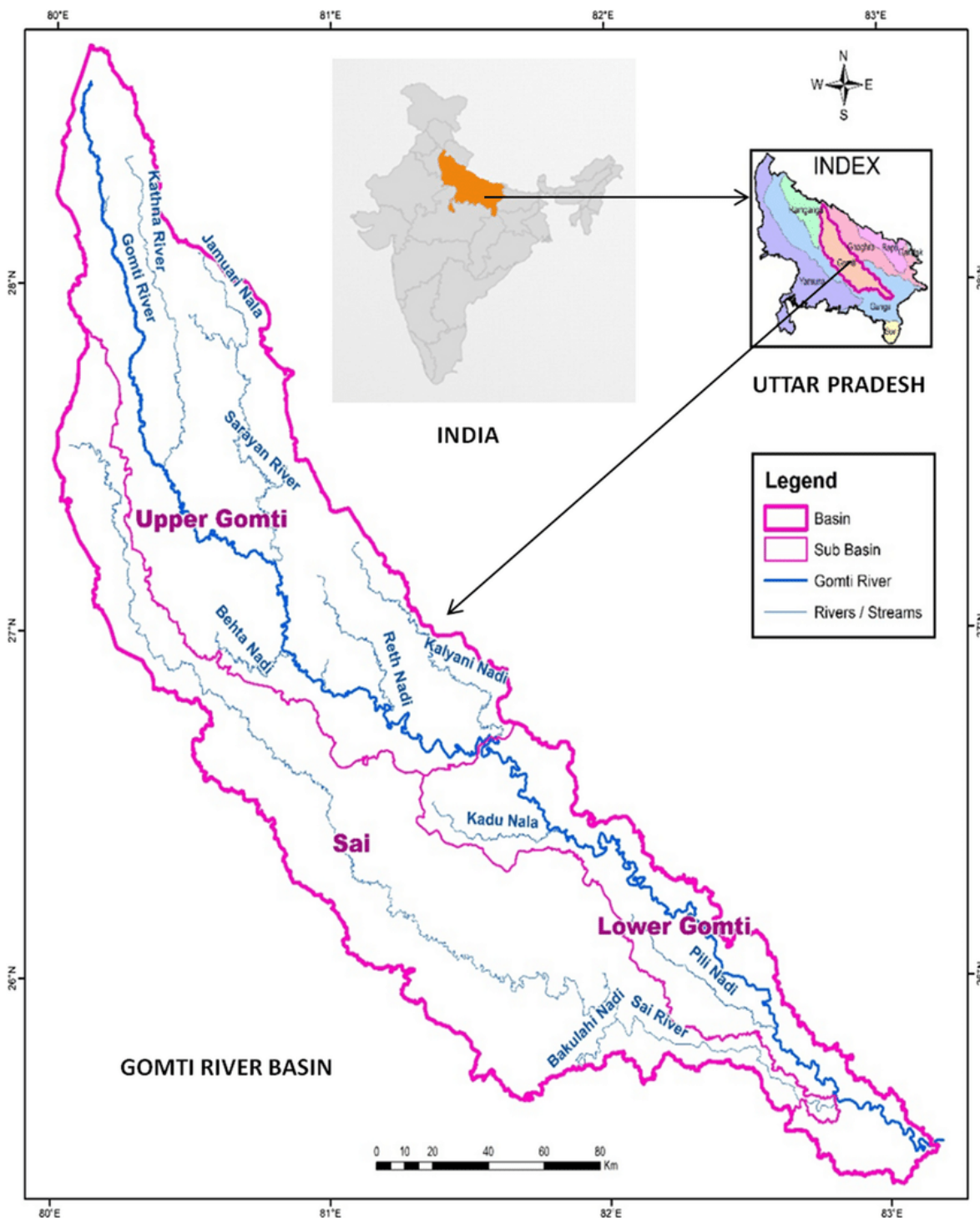
Recently, [the Territorial Army](#) established a **new task force** dedicated to the **rejuvenation and protection** of [the Gomti River](#), named **Ganga Task Force (GTF)**.

## Key Points

- **About GTF:**
  - **Objective and Focus:**
    - The GTF aims to enhance [environmental preservation](#) and [sustainable development](#).
    - Key responsibilities include [pollution](#) monitoring, riverbank and ghat patrolling, public awareness campaigns, and riverbank stabilization.
  - **Composition:**
    - The GTF primarily **comprises ex-servicemen**, reflecting the Territorial Army's tradition of utilizing experienced personnel for national missions.
  - **Inauguration:**
    - The **formal raising ceremony** occurred on **1<sup>st</sup> January 2025 at Lucknow Cantonment**.
  - **National Mission Alignment:**
    - The GTF was **established under** the [National Mission for Clean Ganga \(NMCG\)](#), an initiative of the [Ministry of Jal Shakti](#).
    - **Orders for its creation** were issued by **the Ministry of Defence in September 2024**.
  - **Significance:**
    - This initiative reinforces the [Indian Army](#)'s role in nation-building and environmental sustainability.
    - The GTF aims to contribute significantly to the revitalization of the Gomti River and the broader [Clean Ganga Mission](#).

## Gomti River

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- The Gomati River is a **tributary of the Ganga River** in central Uttar Pradesh.
- It **originates east of Pilibhit**, Uttar Pradesh.
- The **Sai River, a right-bank tributary**, joins the Gomati near Jaunpur.
- The **Gomati River merges with the Ganges near Saidpur**, Uttar Pradesh.