

Embroidery and Surface embellishment Exhibition

Why in News?

Recently India's first exhibition dedicated to **embroidery and surface ornamentation** was held in **Jodhpur**.

Key Points

- About:
 - The exhibition showcased 60 artworks from more than 20 artists from India and abroad .
 - This exhibition highlights the craftsmanship of the artists and provides a platform for their work.
 - The exhibition highlights the richness and diversity of Indian <u>handicrafts</u> by showcasing various embroidery forms like Kheta Quilts from Bihar, Kantha from West Bengal, <u>Chikankari from Lucknow</u> and the intricate styles of Kutch from Gujarat.
- Objective:
 - Highlighting the Artwork:
 - The primary objective of the exhibition is to showcase embroidery as a dynamic and expressive art form, not just confined to clothing.
 - Demonstrate various embroidery techniques:
 - The exhibition showcases embroidery techniques and the connection between craftsmanship and contemporary textiles. Empowering the artisans

Jodhpur

- About:
 - Jodhpur is the gateway to the **Thar Desert**. Popularly known as the '**Blue City', Jodhpur** is the second largest city in Rajasthan.
 - Jodhpur is also known as ' Sun City' .
- Installation :
 - Jodhpur was founded by Rao Jodha in the year 1459. It was first settled at the place of Mandore and became the headquarters of the Rathore dynasty.
- Geographical Location :
 - Jodhpur is located at 26°-27°37' North latitude and 72°55'-73°52' East longitude.
- Major places to visit :
 - Mehrangarh Fort: A huge fort situated on a hill rock.
 - Jaswant Thada: A memorial built in the memory of Maharaja Jaswant Singh.
 - Umaid Bhawan Palace: A magnificent palace which now serves as a hotel too.
- Culture and Economy: Jodhpur has a rich culture, full of traditional Rajasthani architecture, music, dance, and art. The city's famous indigo buildings have earned it the nickname "Blue City".

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