

An aerial photograph of a winding asphalt road that curves through a dense, lush green forest. Several cars are visible on the road, including a white car, a blue car, and a white van. The road has white dashed lines for lane markings. The overall scene is captured from a high angle, looking down on the road and the surrounding trees.

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PURVANCHAL EXPRESSWAY



- Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi will visit Uttar Pradesh on 16th November, 2021 and inaugurate Purvanchal Expressway at Karwal Kheri in Sultanpur district.
- The Purvanchal Expressway is 341 Km long.
- It starts from village Chaudsarai, district Lucknow located on Lucknow-Sultanpur road (NH-731) and ends at village Hydaria located on National Highway No. 31, 18 km east of UP-Bihar border.
- The expressway is 6-lane wide which can be expanded to 8-lane in future.

- **Constructed at an estimated cost of about Rs 22500 crore, the Purvanchal Expressway is going to give a boost to the economic development of eastern part of Uttar Pradesh especially the districts of Lucknow, Barabanki, Amethi, Ayodhya, Sultanpur, Ambedkar Nagar, Azamgarh, Mau and Ghazipur.**

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India launches 41st Scientific Expedition to Antarctica



- India successfully launched the 41st Scientific Expedition to Antarctica on November 15, 2021.
- The first batch of its contingents comprising of 23 scientists and support staff has reached the Indian Antarctic station Maitri.
- Four more batches will be landing in Antarctica by mid-January 2022. The Indian Antarctic program began in 1981 and has completed 40 scientific expeditions.

- **The team of 48 members at the 41st expedition is being led by Dr Shailendra Saini, Scientist National Centre for Polar & Ocean Research (Voyage Leader), Shri. Huidrom Nageshwar Singh, Metrologist, India Metrological Department (Leader, Maitri Station) and Shri. AnoopKalayilSoman, scientist Indian Institute of Geomagnetism (Leader, Bharati Station). Currently, there are three permanent research base stations in Antarctica, named DakshinGangotri (1983), Maitri (1988) and Bharati (2012).**

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LINAC-NCDC FISHERIES BUSINESS INCUBATION CENTRE (LIFIC)



- **Union Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying will launch the “LINAC-NCDC Fisheries Business Incubation Centre” (LIFIC) on November 16, 2021 at LINAC-NCDC in Gurugram, Haryana.**
- **LIFIC is being started by the National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC), which is the End Implementation Agency for Cooperatives under the flagship scheme Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) of the Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India.**
- **Services of the Centre will help augment the development of the fisheries business in India.**

Nation observed its 1st edition of Audit Diwas on 16th November



- **Audit Diwas is celebrated to mark the historic origin of the institution of Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) and the contribution it has made to the governance, transparency and accountability over the past several years. Currently, former Lt. Governor of UT of Jammu Kashmir G. C. Murmu is serving as CAG of India. He is the 14th CAG of India. His tenure started in August 2020.**
- **CAG is the Constitutional Authority in India. It was established in accordance with Article 148 of the Constitution of India.**
- **CAG is empowered to Audit all receipts and expenditures of the central as well as state governments. The CAG is the statutory auditor of Government-owned corporations.**

- It conducts supplementary audits of government companies, where the Government is having an equity share of 51 per cent.
- Reports of the CAG are laid before Parliament or Legislatures.
- They are being taken up for discussion by Public Accounts Committees (PACs) and Committees on Public Undertakings (COPUs).
- PACs and COPUs are special committees in the Parliament and state legislatures. www.upschacks.com

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