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01 Profile, State Symbols, Divisions, Districts & Nicknames

Profile, Symbols, Divisions & Districts

KEY IDEA

Uttar Pradesh has carried its present name since 24 January 1950; before that it was successively called the North-Western Provinces, the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, the United Provinces of Agra and Oudh, and the United Provinces.

After Uttarakhand was carved out on 9 November 2000, the area came down to 240,928 sq km; the capital is Lucknow, the High Court is at Prayagraj and its bench is at Lucknow.

As of November 2026 the state has 18 divisions and 75 districts; old names, headquarters and nicknames of districts are asked again and again in exams.

1. In 1836, by what name was this region, with its headquarters at Agra, known?
   → **North-Western Provinces**
2. In 1858, to which city was the province's headquarters shifted from Agra?
   → **Allahabad (Prayagraj)**
3. In 1877, with which region were the North-Western Provinces merged?
   → **Awadh (Oudh)** — New name: North-Western Provinces and Oudh
4. What name was given to this province in 1902?
   → **United Provinces of Agra and Oudh**
5. On 1 April 1937, what short name was adopted for the province?
   → **United Provinces**
6. On which date was the United Provinces renamed 'Uttar Pradesh'?
   → **24 January 1950**
7. On which date is Uttar Pradesh Day (UP Diwas) celebrated every year?
   → **24 January**
8. In which year was Uttar Pradesh Day celebrated for the first time?
   → **2018** — On the proposal of the then Governor Ram Naik
9. Which state was formed out of Uttar Pradesh on 9 November 2000?
   → **Uttaranchal (now Uttarakhand)** — Uttar Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2000
10. What was the area of Uttar Pradesh before Uttarakhand was formed?
    → **294,411 sq km**
11. Which city is the capital of Uttar Pradesh?
    → **Lucknow**
12. What is Uttar Pradesh's rank among Indian states by area?
    → **Fourth** — After Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra

13. As per Census 2011, what is the total area of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **240,928 sq km** — Census 2011

14. About what share of India's total area does Uttar Pradesh have?
→ **7.33%**

15. In which city is the Allahabad High Court located?
→ **Prayagraj**

16. Where is the bench of the Allahabad High Court?
→ **Lucknow**

17. In which city was this High Court originally established in 1866?
→ **Agra** — As the High Court of the North-Western Provinces

18. In which year was the Oudh Chief Court merged with the Allahabad High Court?
→ **1948** — It then became the Lucknow Bench

19. What is the official language of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Hindi** — UP Official Language Act, 1951

20. In which year was Urdu made the second official language of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **1989**

21. What is the state animal of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Barasingha** — Swamp deer

22. What is the state bird of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Sarus crane** — The world's tallest flying bird

23. What is the state tree of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Ashoka**

24. What is the state flower of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Palash (Tesu)**

25. What is the state fish of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Chitala (Chitala chitala)** — Scientific name Chitala chitala

26. Which creature has been declared the state aquatic animal of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Ganga dolphin** — Declared in October 2023

27. Which animal figure appears with the bow and arrow in the emblem of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **A pair of fish**

28. The wavy lines in the state emblem symbolise which confluence?
→ **Ganga-Yamuna confluence**

29. How many divisions (administrative mandals) are there in Uttar Pradesh?
→ **18** — As of November 2026

30. Where is the headquarters of Devipatan division?
→ **Gonda**

31. Where is the headquarters of Chitrakoot Dham division?
→ **Banda**

32. Where is the headquarters of Vindhyachal division?
→ **Mirzapur**

33. What was the old name of Ayodhya division?
→ **Faizabad division** — Renamed along with the district in 2018

34. How many districts are there in Lucknow division?
→ **6** — Lucknow, Unnao, Raebareli, Sitapur, Hardoi, Lakhimpur Kheri

35. Which three districts make up Saharanpur division?
→ **Saharanpur, Muzaffarnagar, Shamli**

36. Which three districts make up Jhansi division?
→ **Jhansi, Jalaun, Lalitpur**

37. Amethi district is a part of which division?
→ **Ayodhya division**

38. In which division does Hapur district fall?
→ **Meerut division**

39. In which division does Sambhal district fall?
→ **Moradabad division**

40. Ballia and Mau are districts of which division?
→ **Azamgarh division**

41. In which division do Shravasti and Balrampur fall?
→ **Devipatan division**

42. How many districts are there in Uttar Pradesh at present?
→ **75** — As of Nov 2026; 76th 'Kalyan Singh Nagar' (Aligarh-Bulandshahr parts) proposed Oct 2025, not notified

43. Which are the three new districts of Uttar Pradesh created in 2011?
→ **Shamli, Hapur, Sambhal**

44. In December 2024, for which event was a temporary new district declared in Prayagraj?
→ **Maha Kumbh Mela** — Temporary district; permanent districts remain 75

45. What was the original name of Shamli district, created in 2011?
→ **Prabuddh Nagar**

46. What was the original name of Hapur district?
→ **Panchsheel Nagar**

47. What was the original name of Sambhal district?
→ **Bhim Nagar**

48. 'Chhatrapati Shahuji Maharaj Nagar' is the former name of which present district?
→ **Amethi**

49. 'Kanshiram Nagar' was the former name of which district?
→ **Kasganj**

50. 'Mahamaya Nagar' was the former name of which district?
→ **Hathras**

51. 'Jyotiba Phule Nagar' was the former name of which district?
→ **Amroha**

52. 'Ramabai Nagar' was the former name of which district?
→ **Kanpur Dehat**

53. By what other name is Bhadohi district known?
→ **Sant Ravidas Nagar**

54. In 2018, what new name was given to Faizabad district?
→ **Ayodhya**

55. In which year was Allahabad district renamed Prayagraj?
→ **2018**

56. In which year was Amethi district formed?
→ **2010** — From parts of Sultanpur and Raebareli

57. Sonbhadra district was carved out of which district?
→ **Mirzapur** — 1989

58. Chandauli district was carved out of which district?
→ **Varanasi**

59. Kushinagar district was formed by dividing which district?
→ **Deoria**

60. Shravasti district was carved out of which district?
→ **Bahraich**

61. Mahoba district was carved out of which district?
→ **Hamirpur**

62. Gautam Buddh Nagar district was formed from parts of which two districts?
→ **Ghaziabad and Bulandshahr** — 1997

63. Shamli district was carved out of which district?
→ **Muzaffarnagar**

64. Where is the headquarters of Amethi district?
→ **Gauriganj**

65. Where is the headquarters of Kushinagar district?
→ **Padrauna**

66. Where is the headquarters of Sant Kabir Nagar district?
→ **Khalilabad**

67. Where is the headquarters of Sonbhadra district?
→ **Robertsganj**

68. Where is the headquarters of Jalaun district?
→ **Orai**

69. Where is the headquarters of Chitrakoot district?
→ **Karwi**

70. Where is the headquarters of Kanpur Dehat district?
→ **Akbarpur (Mati)**

71. Where is the headquarters of Ambedkar Nagar district?
→ **Akbarpur**

72. Where is the headquarters of Kaushambi district?
→ **Manjhanpur**

73. Where is the headquarters of Shravasti district?
→ **Bhinga**

74. Which is the largest district of Uttar Pradesh by area?
→ **Lakhimpur Kheri** — About 7,680 sq km; Census 2011

75. Which is the second largest district by area after Lakhimpur Kheri?
→ **Sonbhadra** — Based on Census 2011 area

76. Which city has the nickname 'Taala Nagri' (Lock City)?
→ **Aligarh**

77. Which city is famous as 'Peetal Nagri' (Brass City)?
→ **Moradabad**

78. Which city is called 'Suhag Nagri' (City of Bangles) because of its glass bangles?
→ **Firozabad**

79. Which city is famous as 'Kaleen Nagri' (Carpet City)?
→ **Bhadohi**

80. Which city is called 'Itra Nagri' (Perfume City)?
→ **Kannauj**

81. Which city is known as the 'Manchester of North India'?
→ **Kanpur** — Also famous for its leather industry

82. Which city has the nickname 'City of Nawabs'?
→ **Lucknow**

83. Which city is known as 'Tirthraj' (King of pilgrimage places)?
→ **Prayagraj**

84. Which city is famous as 'Bansuri Nagri' (Flute City)?
→ **Pilibhit**

85. Which city is called 'Nath Nagri' because of its seven ancient Nath temples?
→ **Bareilly**

86. Which city is called 'Shaheedon ki Nagri' (City of Martyrs)?
→ **Shahjahanpur** — Birthplace of Bismil, Ashfaqulla and Roshan Singh

87. Which city is called 'Lahuri Kashi' (Younger Kashi)?
→ **Ghazipur**

88. Which city is called the 'Gateway of Bundelkhand'?
→ **Jhansi**

89. Which city is called the 'Gateway of Uttar Pradesh'?
→ **Ghaziabad**

90. Which city is called 'Kashth Kala Nagri' (Wood-carving City) for its woodwork?
→ **Saharanpur**

⚠ Common traps

- The headquarters of Chitrakoot Dham division is Banda, not Chitrakoot; the headquarters of Vindhyachal division is Mirzapur and that of Devipatan division is Gonda.
- 'Akbarpur' is the headquarters of two districts: Kanpur Dehat (Akbarpur Mati) and Ambedkar Nagar. Read the district name in the question carefully.
- The 'Maha Kumbh Mela' district of December 2024 was temporary, and 'Kalyan Singh Nagar' is still only proposed; as of November 2026 there are only 75 permanent districts.

💡 Memory trick

Remember the symbols: 'Barah(singha) Sarus sat on an Ashoka, ate Palash, then met Chitala and the Dolphin' = animal Barasingha, bird Sarus crane, tree Ashoka, flower Palash, fish Chitala, aquatic animal Ganga dolphin.

02 Location, Borders, Physical Divisions, Climate & Soils

Location, Borders, Physiography, Climate & Soils

KEY IDEA

Uttar Pradesh extends roughly between 23°52' and 30°24' North latitude and 77°05' and 84°39' East longitude; the Tropic of Cancer does not pass through it.

It shares borders with 8 states, 1 Union Territory (Delhi) and Nepal; physically it is divided into the Bhabar-Terai, the Ganga plain and the southern plateau.

The climate is tropical monsoon; the plains have alluvial soil (Bangar-Khadar), while Bundelkhand has Mar, Kabar, Parua and Rakar soils.

91. What is the latitudinal extent of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **23°52' N to 30°24' N** — Some sources give 30°25'

92. What is the longitudinal extent of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **77°05' E to 84°39' E** — Sources differ by 1–2 minutes

93. What is the approximate east-west length of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **650 km**

94. What is the approximate north-south width of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **240 km**

95. Does the Tropic of Cancer pass through Uttar Pradesh?
→ **No** — The state lies north of the Tropic of Cancer

96. The reference longitude of Indian Standard Time (82°30' E) is taken near which city of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Mirzapur** — The line crosses other districts too; Mirzapur is the standard reference point

97. Which is the northernmost district of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Saharanpur**

98. Which is the southernmost district of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Sonbhadra**

99. Which is the easternmost district of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Ballia**

100. With which country does Uttar Pradesh share an international border?
→ **Nepal**

101. How many districts of Uttar Pradesh border Nepal?
→ **7** — From Pilibhit to Maharajganj

102. Which is the westernmost of the UP districts bordering Nepal?
→ **Pilibhit**

103. Which is the easternmost of the UP districts bordering Nepal?
→ **Maharajganj**

104. In which district is the Sonauli India-Nepal border crossing?
→ **Maharajganj**

105. In which district is Rupaidiha, on the Nepal border, located?
→ **Bahraich**

106. Which force guards the India-Nepal border along UP?
→ **Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB)**

107. With which country does the northern border of Lakhimpur Kheri district lie?
→ **Nepal**

108. In which physical belt do the UP districts bordering Nepal lie?
→ **Terai**

109. With how many states and Union Territories does Uttar Pradesh share borders?
→ **8 states and 1 Union Territory** — Union Territory: Delhi

110. Which is the only Union Territory that shares a border with Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Delhi**

111. With which state does UP have its longest inter-state border?
→ **Madhya Pradesh**

112. Which Indian state lies on the northern border of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Uttarakhand**

113. Which state lies on the eastern border of Ballia district?
→ **Bihar**

114. Himachal Pradesh borders which single district of UP?
→ **Saharanpur**

115. Saharanpur district borders which three states?
→ **Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana**

116. Which district of Uttar Pradesh borders four states?
→ **Sonbhadra** — Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Bihar

117. Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand border which single district of UP?
→ **Sonbhadra**

118. Which two districts of UP border Rajasthan?
→ **Agra and Mathura**

119. Which UP district borders both Haryana and Rajasthan?
→ **Mathura**

120. Which UP district borders both Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh?
→ **Agra**

121. Which UP district borders both Uttarakhand and Nepal?
→ **Pilibhit**

122. Which UP district borders both Nepal and Bihar?
→ **Maharajganj**

123. Into how many major physical divisions is Uttar Pradesh divided?
→ **3** — Bhabar-Terai region, Ganga plain, southern plateau

124. Which is the largest physical division of Uttar Pradesh by area?
→ **Ganga plain**

125. What is the pebbly, stony belt below the Shivaliks where small rivers go underground?
→ **Bhabar**

126. In which districts of UP is the Bhabar region mainly found?
→ **Saharanpur and Bijnor** — In the Shivalik foothills

127. In which belt do the rivers that vanish in the Bhabar reappear on the surface?
→ **Terai**

128. What is the moist, marshy belt with tall grass south of the Bhabar called?
→ **Terai**

129. The foothills of which mountain range lie in the north of Saharanpur district?
→ **Shivalik**

130. In which direction does the Ganga plain generally slope?
→ **North-west to south-east**

131. What is the higher land of old alluvium in the Ganga plain, beyond the reach of floods, called?
→ **Bangar**

132. What is the land of new alluvium deposited every year by floods along rivers called?
→ **Khadar**

133. What is the sandy upland along rivers like the Ganga and Ramganga locally called?
→ **Bhur**

134. What is the fertile land between two rivers called?
→ **Doab** — Do (two) + aab (Persian for 'water')

135. South of which rivers does the southern plateau of UP lie?
→ **Yamuna and Ganga**

136. What are the two main parts of UP's southern plateau?
→ **Bundelkhand and the Vindhya-Kaimur region**

137. Districts like Jhansi, Lalitpur, Jalaun and Banda lie in which plateau region?
→ **Bundelkhand**

138. How many districts are there in the Bundelkhand region of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **7** — Jhansi, Jalaun, Lalitpur, Hamirpur, Mahoba, Banda, Chitrakoot

139. The Bundelkhand plateau is mainly made of which ancient rocks?
→ **Granite and gneiss**

140. In which districts of UP do the Kaimur hills extend?
→ **Sonbhadra and Mirzapur** — Part of the Vindhya range

141. The hills south of the Ganga in Mirzapur belong to which range?
→ **Vindhya range**

142. What is the cut-up, gullied land along the Chambal-Yamuna (Agra, Etawah, Jalaun) called?
→ **Beehad (ravines)**

143. Ravines (beehad) are formed by which type of soil erosion?
→ **Gully erosion**

144. What type of climate does Uttar Pradesh have?
→ **Tropical monsoon**

145. How many main seasons are recognised in Uttar Pradesh?
→ **3** — Winter, summer, rainy

146. Which is the coldest month in Uttar Pradesh?
→ **January**

147. Which are the hottest months in Uttar Pradesh?
→ **May-June**

148. What are the hot, dry westerly winds of May-June called?
→ **Loo**

149. What are the strong dusty winds of summer in western UP called?
→ **Aandhi (dust storms)**

150. Being far from the sea, what kind of climate does western UP have?
→ **Extreme (continental)**

151. What mainly brings winter rainfall to UP?
→ **Western disturbances** — Beneficial for the rabi (wheat) crop

152. From which branch of the monsoon does UP get most of its rainfall?
→ **Bay of Bengal branch**

153. Which part of UP does the south-west monsoon reach first?
→ **The eastern part**

154. In which months does UP receive most of its rainfall?
→ **June to September** — South-west monsoon

155. In which direction does rainfall decrease in UP?
→ **From east to west** — More in east UP, less in west; also decreases from north (Terai) southward

156. Which part of UP receives the highest rainfall?
→ **North-eastern Terai region**

157. Which part of UP receives the lowest rainfall?
→ **Western part (Mathura-Agra)**

158. On the basis of rainfall and soil, into how many agro-climatic zones is UP divided?
→ **9**

159. Which soil covers the largest area in UP?
→ **Alluvial (kachhari) soil** — Ganga-Yamuna plain

160. Which nutrient is usually deficient in alluvial soil?
→ **Nitrogen**

161. What is the soil of the Bhabar region like?
→ **Pebbly, stony and porous**

162. What is the main feature of Terai soil?
→ **Fine, moist and fertile**

163. What is the barren soil with excess salts and alkalis called in UP?
→ **Usar (Reh)**

164. What is mainly added to reclaim usar land?
→ **Gypsum**

165. What is the colour of Bundelkhand's 'Mar' soil?
→ **Black** — Like the black cotton soil

166. Which Bundelkhand soil is very sticky and dries into hard clods?
→ **Kabar**

167. What is the light-coloured sandy-loam soil of Bundelkhand called?
→ **Parua (Parwa)**

168. What is the stony, gravelly and less fertile soil of Bundelkhand called?
→ **Rakar**

169. What is the local name of the stony soil of the Vindhya region (Mirzapur-Sonbhadra)?
→ **Bhonta**

170. Which soil is mainly found in the Mirzapur-Sonbhadra region?
→ **Red soil**

⚠ Common traps

- The Tropic of Cancer does not pass through UP, but the 82°30' E longitude of Indian Standard Time does (near Mirzapur).
- Himachal Pradesh touches only Saharanpur, while Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand touch only Sonbhadra; Sonbhadra borders four states (MP, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Bihar).
- Bangar is old alluvium (above flood level) and Khadar is new alluvium (flooded every year); rivers disappear in the Bhabar and reappear in the Terai.

💡 **Memory trick**

Bangar = 'Beyond the floods', the old alluvium; Khadar = the new alluvium flooded every year. Bundelkhand soils 'Ma-Ka-Pa-Ra': Mar (black), Kabar (sticky), Parua (light sandy), Rakar (stony, on slopes).

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03 Rivers, Confluences, Lakes & Tals, Dams and Irrigation

Rivers, Lakes, Dams & Irrigation

KEY IDEA

Almost the whole of Uttar Pradesh lies in the Ganga drainage system; Himalayan and plains rivers come from the north, and Bundelkhand-Vindhya rivers come from the southern plateau.

The Yamuna, Gomti, Ghaghara, Ramganga, Gandak and Son are the major tributary systems; most of the big dams are in Bundelkhand (Lalitpur-Jhansi) and Sonbhadra.

In the Doab, canals and tube wells are the main sources of irrigation; the Saryu Canal, Bansagar, Arjun Sahayak and Ken-Betwa Link are the major new projects.

171. From which glacier does the Ganga originate?
→ **Gangotri glacier (Gaumukh)** — Uttarkashi, Uttarakhand

172. Where do the Bhagirathi and Alaknanda meet to be called the Ganga?
→ **Devprayag** — Uttarakhand

173. Through which district does the Ganga enter Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Bijnor**

174. Near which district does the Ganga leave Uttar Pradesh for Bihar?
→ **Ballia**

175. In which year was the Ganga declared the 'National River'?
→ **2008**

176. On the bank of which river is Garhmukteshwar, the pilgrimage town of Hapur district?
→ **Ganga**

177. On the bank of which river are the cities of Kanpur and Farrukhabad?
→ **Ganga**

178. On the bank of which river are Mirzapur's Vindhyachal Dham and Chunar Fort?
→ **Ganga**

179. The name Varanasi comes from the names of which two rivers?
→ **Varuna and Assi**

180. Which river, considered 'unholy', flows along the UP-Bihar border?
→ **Karmanasa** — A tributary of the Ganga

181. The Chandraprabha river of Chandauli is a tributary of which river?
→ **Karmanasa**

182. In which year was the Ganga Action Plan launched?
→ **1986** — First phase: UP, Bihar, West Bengal

183. Which river rises in Muzaffarnagar and joins the Ganga near Kannauj?
→ **Kali river (East)** — Source: Antwara village

184. From which hills does the Ramganga river originate?
→ **Dudhatoli hills** — Uttarakhand

185. On the bank of which river is Moradabad city?
→ **Ramganga**

186. At which place does the Southern Tons (Tamsa) join the Ganga?
→ **Sirsa (Prayagraj)** — The Belan is its tributary

187. From which glacier does the Yamuna originate?
→ **Yamunotri glacier** — Bandarpunch mountain, Uttarkashi

188. Which is the longest tributary of the Ganga?
→ **Yamuna**

189. What is the mythological name of the Yamuna?
→ **Kalindi**

190. Which river forms most of the boundary between UP and Haryana?
→ **Yamuna**

191. On the bank of which river are the cities of Agra and Mathura?
→ **Yamuna**

192. On the bank of which river is the historic town of Kalpi in Jalaun district?
→ **Yamuna**

193. On the bank of which river is Bateshwar, the pilgrimage place of Agra district?
→ **Yamuna**

194. In which city is the Ganga-Yamuna confluence?
→ **Prayagraj** — Triveni Sangam

195. What is the third, invisible river believed to meet at Prayagraj's Triveni Sangam?
→ **Saraswati**

196. The Hindon river is a tributary of which river?
→ **Yamuna** — Joins near Noida

197. From which district of UP does the Hindon river originate?
→ **Saharanpur** — Upper Shivaliks, Shakumbhari Devi area

198. In which district of UP does the Chambal join the Yamuna?
→ **Etawah** — Pachnada area

199. Which five rivers meet at Pachnada?
→ **Yamuna, Chambal, Sindh, Kwari, Pahuj** — Near the Jalaun-Etawah-Auraiya border

200. Where does the Chambal river originate?
→ **Janapav hills (Mhow, MP)**

201. What was the ancient name of the Chambal?
→ **Charmanvati**

202. In which district does the Betwa join the Yamuna?
→ **Hamirpur**

203. What is the ancient name of the Betwa?
→ **Vetravati**

204. In which district of which state does the Betwa originate?
→ **Raisen district, Madhya Pradesh** — Vindhya range

205. The Dhasan river is a tributary of which river?
→ **Betwa**

206. Through which historic town of Madhya Pradesh does the Betwa flow before entering UP?
→ **Orchha**

207. At which place does the Ken join the Yamuna?
→ **Chilla** — Near the Banda–Fatehpur border

208. On the bank of which river is Banda city?
→ **Ken**

209. On the bank of which river is Chitrakoot?
→ **Mandakini (Payaswini)**

210. Where does the Gomti river originate?
→ **Fulhar Jheel (Gomat Tal), Pilibhit** — Near Madho Tanda

211. On the bank of which river are Lucknow, Sultanpur and Jaunpur?
→ **Gomti**

212. On the bank of which river is Naimisharanya (Neemsar), the pilgrimage place of Sitapur district?
→ **Gomti**

213. At which place does the Gomti join the Ganga?
→ **Kaithi (Varanasi–Ghazipur border)** — Kaithi is in Varanasi district, facing Ghazipur; some papers answer 'Ghazipur'

214. The Sai river is a major tributary of which river?
→ **Gomti** — Source: Hardoi district

215. On the bank of which river is Raebareli city?
→ **Sai**

216. In which district does the Sai join the Gomti?
→ **Jaunpur**

217. From which glacier does the Ghaghara originate?
→ **Mapchachungo glacier (Tibet)** — Called Karnali in Nepal

218. On the bank of which river is Ayodhya?
→ **Saryu (Ghaghara)**

219. Near which place does the Ghaghara join the Ganga?
→ **Chhapra (Bihar)** — Near Revelganj

220. By what name is the river called 'Kali' in Uttarakhand known in the plains?
→ **Sharda** — A tributary of the Ghaghara

221. At which place does the Sharda join the Ghaghara?
→ **Bahramghat (Barabanki)**

222. On the bank of which river is Gorakhpur city?
→ **Rapti**

223. What is the ancient name of the Rapti, on whose bank the Buddhist city of Shravasti stood?
→ **Achiravati**

224. Near which city does the Rohini river, coming from Nepal, join the Rapti?
→ **Gorakhpur**

225. By what name is the Gandak known in Nepal?
→ **Narayani (Shaligrami)**

226. What was the ancient name of the Gandak?
→ **Sadanira**

227. On the bank of which river is Azamgarh city?
→ **Tamsa (Tons)**

228. Where does the Son, which flows through Sonbhadra-Mirzapur, originate?
→ **Amarkantak** — Joins the Ganga near Patna

229. The Rihand and Kanhar, flowing in Sonbhadra, are tributaries of which river?
→ **Son**

230. In which district of UP is the Kanhar irrigation project?
→ **Sonbhadra** — Dudhi tehsil

231. In which city is the famous Ramgarh Tal located?
→ **Gorakhpur**

232. In which industrial city is Moti Jheel?
→ **Kanpur**

233. In which district are the Chandela-era Madan Sagar and Kirat Sagar?
→ **Mahoba**

234. In which district is Barua Sagar Tal located?
→ **Jhansi**

235. What is the name of the reservoir formed by the Rihand dam?
→ **Govind Ballabh Pant Sagar** — Dam at Pipri (Sonbhadra), on the Rihand river

236. In which year was the Rihand dam completed?
→ **1962** — Pipri (Sonbhadra)

237. On which river is the Obra dam of Sonbhadra built?
→ **Rihand** — A little above its confluence with the Son

238. On which river is the Matatila dam of Lalitpur built?
→ **Betwa**

239. On which river is the Rajghat project, a joint project of UP and Madhya Pradesh?
→ **Betwa** — Near Lalitpur

240. On which river is the Sukma-Dukma dam of Jhansi district?
→ **Betwa** — Built in 1905-09

241. On which river is the Govind Sagar dam of Lalitpur built?
→ **Shahzad**

242. In which district is the Jamni dam, built on the Jamni river?
→ **Lalitpur**

243. On which river is the Parichha dam near Jhansi?
→ **Betwa**

244. Across which two states does the Govind Ballabh Pant Sagar reservoir extend?
→ **Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh**

245. From which place does the Upper Ganga Canal take off from the Ganga?
→ **Haridwar (Bhimgoda)**

246. Who was the chief engineer of the Upper Ganga Canal, opened in 1854?
→ **Proby Cautley**

247. From which place has the Lower Ganga Canal been taken off from the Ganga?
→ **Narora (Bulandshahr)**

248. Which canal, built in 1830, is considered the oldest canal of UP?
→ **Eastern Yamuna Canal**

249. From which place does the Agra Canal take off from the Yamuna?
→ **Okhla (Delhi)** — Opened in 1874

250. From which place has the Sharda Canal been taken off from the Sharda river?
→ **Banbasa (Uttarakhand)**

251. In the Sharda Sahayak project, water of which river is brought into the Sharda canal system?
→ **Ghaghara** — Link canal from Girijapuri (Bahraich)

252. In which district is the Lower Sharda Barrage of the Sharda Sahayak project?
→ **Lakhimpur Kheri**

253. What is the most important means of irrigation in Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Tube wells**

254. Where was the Saryu Nahar National Project inaugurated on 11 December 2021?
→ **Balrampur** — Benefits 9 districts of eastern UP

255. Along with the Ghaghara-Saryu, which three rivers does the Saryu Canal project link?
→ **Rapti, Banganga, Rohini**

256. Where was the Bansagar Canal Project, based on the Son river, inaugurated (July 2018)?
→ **Mirzapur** — Joint project of MP, UP and Bihar

257. Where was Bundelkhand's Arjun Sahayak project inaugurated in November 2021?
→ **Mahoba**

258. Where was the foundation stone of the Ken-Betwa Link Project laid on 25 December 2024?
→ **Khajuraho (Madhya Pradesh)**

259. On which river is the Daudhan dam of the Ken-Betwa Link Project being built?
→ **Ken** — Chhatarpur (MP), Panna Tiger Reserve area

260. Which region of UP will benefit from the Ken-Betwa Link Project?
→ **Bundelkhand** — Banda, Mahoba, Jhansi, Lalitpur

⚠ Common traps

- Govind Ballabh Pant Sagar (Rihand dam, Sonbhadra) and Govind Sagar (Shahzad river, Lalitpur) are two different reservoirs.
- The Betwa joins the Yamuna at Hamirpur, while the Ken joins it at Chilla (Banda); do not swap the two.
- The Sharda Canal takes off from the Sharda river at Banbasa; in the 'Sharda Sahayak' project, Ghaghara water is brought into the Sharda canal system.

💡 Memory trick

Southern tributaries joining the Yamuna, west to east: 'Cha-Be-Ke' = Chambal (Etawah) → Betwa (Hamirpur) → Ken (Chilla, Banda).

04 Forests, Wildlife, National Park, Sanctuaries, Bird Sanctuaries and Ramsar Sites

Forests, Wildlife, Protected Areas, Ramsar

KEY IDEA

UP's forest cover is well below the national average; forests lie mainly in the Terai (sal forests) and on the southern Vindhya-Bundelkhand plateau, with Sonbhadra in the lead.

Dudhwa is the state's only national park; Dudhwa, Pilibhit, Amangarh and Ranipur are tiger reserves, and the Terai Elephant Reserve was created in 2022.

With four new sites added in 2026, UP had 14 Ramsar sites as of 15 October 2026; most of them are bird sanctuaries.

261. Which district of UP leads in forest area?
→ **Sonbhadra** — As per India State of Forest Report 2023

262. Which is the main tree of the Terai forests?
→ **Sal**

263. What type of forest is mainly found in the moist Terai region?
→ **Tropical moist deciduous**

264. Which forests mainly occur on the southern Vindhya-Bundelkhand plateau?
→ **Tropical dry deciduous**

265. What type of forest is found on UP's dry western and south-western fringe?
→ **Tropical thorn forest** — Babool, kareel, etc.

266. In which district of UP are the Shivalik hill forests?
→ **Saharanpur**

267. In which two landforms are most of UP's forests concentrated?
→ **Terai and the southern (Vindhya) plateau**

268. The name of the 'Vantangiya' community of Gorakhpur-Maharajganj comes from which afforestation method?
→ **Taungya method** — Adopted by the British from Burma

269. Which is the only national park of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Dudhwa National Park** — As of November 2026

270. In which district is Dudhwa National Park located?
→ **Lakhimpur Kheri**

271. In which year was Dudhwa made a wildlife sanctuary for Barasingha conservation?
→ **1958**

272. In which year did Dudhwa become a national park?
→ **1977**

273. Which international border does Dudhwa National Park adjoin?
→ **India-Nepal border**

274. Dudhwa National Park is especially famous for which deer species?
→ **Barasingha (swamp deer)**

275. In which year did the rhino rehabilitation programme begin in Dudhwa?
→ **1984** — Rhinos brought from Assam and Nepal

276. In which national park of UP is the endangered grassland bird 'Bengal Florican' found?
→ **Dudhwa**

277. Which conservationist set up 'Tiger Haven' near Dudhwa and rewilded the tigress 'Tara'?
→ **Billy Arjan Singh**

278. Which two sanctuaries form Dudhwa Tiger Reserve along with Dudhwa National Park?
→ **Kishanpur and Katarniaghat** — Tiger reserve formed 1987; Katarniaghat added in 2000

279. In which district is Katarniaghat Wildlife Sanctuary?
→ **Bahraich** — Famous for gharial and Gangetic dolphin

280. Which river flowing through Katarniaghat Sanctuary is famous for gharials?
→ **Geruwa (Girwa)**

281. Katarniaghat is linked by a forest corridor to which national park of Nepal?
→ **Bardia National Park**

282. Kishanpur Wildlife Sanctuary is mainly in which district?
→ **Lakhimpur Kheri** — Part lies in Shahjahanpur

283. In which year was Kishanpur Wildlife Sanctuary established?
→ **1972**

284. In which year did Pilibhit get tiger reserve status?
→ **2014**

285. Which reserve won the first TX2 Award in 2020 for doubling its tiger count in four years?
→ **Pilibhit Tiger Reserve**

286. Pilibhit Tiger Reserve adjoins the border of which country in the north?
→ **Nepal**

287. Pilibhit Tiger Reserve is linked by a forest corridor to which national park of Nepal?
→ **Shuklaphanta National Park**

288. In which district is Amangarh Tiger Reserve located?
→ **Bijnor**

289. Amangarh Tiger Reserve is regarded as the buffer zone of which tiger reserve?
→ **Corbett (Uttarakhand)**

290. In which district is Ranipur Tiger Reserve?
→ **Chitrakoot** — India's 53rd tiger reserve (2022)

291. Which elephant reserve, approved in 2022, combines the forests of Dudhwa and Pilibhit?
→ **Terai Elephant Reserve** — India's 33rd elephant reserve

292. In which UP sanctuary was the 1950s experiment of settling Asiatic lions carried out?
→ **Chandraprabha Wildlife Sanctuary** — Chandauli; lions released in 1958

293. In which year was Chandraprabha Wildlife Sanctuary established?
→ **1957**

294. Chandraprabha Sanctuary is named after what?
→ **Chandraprabha river**

295. In which wildlife sanctuary are the Rajdari and Devdari waterfalls?
→ **Chandraprabha Sanctuary (Chandauli)**

296. Kaimoor Wildlife Sanctuary is spread over which two districts?
→ **Mirzapur and Sonbhadra**

297. In which year was Kaimoor Wildlife Sanctuary established?
→ **1982** — Blackbuck and chinkara also found

298. Which sanctuary for gharial conservation is spread over UP, MP and Rajasthan?
→ **National Chambal Sanctuary** — Tri-state sanctuary; Gangetic dolphin and red-crowned roof turtle also found

299. In which two districts of UP is the National Chambal Sanctuary?
→ **Agra and Etawah**

300. In which year was the National Chambal Sanctuary established?
→ **1979**

301. Along which river does Hastinapur Wildlife Sanctuary extend?
→ **Ganga** — Spread over several districts including Meerut

302. In which year was Hastinapur Wildlife Sanctuary established?
→ **1986**

303. Which is the largest wildlife sanctuary of UP by area?
→ **Hastinapur** — About 2,073 sq km

304. In which district is Sohagi Barwa Wildlife Sanctuary?
→ **Maharajganj**

305. In which year was Sohagi Barwa Wildlife Sanctuary established?
→ **1987**

306. Suhelwa Wildlife Sanctuary is spread over which districts?
→ **Balrampur and Shravasti** — Adjoins the Nepal border

307. In which district is Vijay Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary?
→ **Mahoba**

308. In which district is Mahavir Swami Wildlife Sanctuary?
→ **Lalitpur** — Established 1977

309. In which year was Ranipur Wildlife Sanctuary established?
→ **1977** — Banda-Chitrakoot; tiger reserve in 2022

310. What is the present name of Nawabganj Bird Sanctuary (Unnao)?
→ **Shaheed Chandra Shekhar Azad Bird Sanctuary**

311. In which year was Nawabganj (Unnao) Bird Sanctuary established?
→ **1984**

312. In which year did Nawabganj Bird Sanctuary get Ramsar site status?
→ **2019** — 19 September 2019

313. In which district is Samaspur Bird Sanctuary?
→ **Raebareli** — Ramsar site (2019)

314. In which year was Samaspur Bird Sanctuary established?
→ **1987**

315. In which year was Okhla Bird Sanctuary established?
→ **1990**

316. In which district is Okhla Bird Sanctuary, on the Yamuna next to the Delhi border?
→ **Gautam Buddh Nagar**

317. In which district is Parvati Arga Bird Sanctuary?
→ **Gonda**

318. In which year was Parvati Arga Bird Sanctuary established?
→ **1990**

319. In which district is Sandi Bird Sanctuary located?
→ **Hardoi**

320. In which district is Saman Bird Sanctuary located?
→ **Mainpuri**

321. In which district is Surha Tal (Jayaprakash Narayan Bird Sanctuary)?
→ **Ballia**

322. What kind of natural lake is Surha Tal of Ballia?
→ **Oxbow lake** — Ganga basin

323. In which district is Bakhira Bird Sanctuary located?
→ **Sant Kabir Nagar** — Ramsar site: designated 29 June 2021, announced February 2022

324. In which year was Bakhira Wildlife Sanctuary established?
→ **1980** — Ramsar site since 2021

325. In which district is 'Sarsai Nawar Lake', a Ramsar site famous for Sarus cranes?
→ **Etawah** — Ramsar site (2019)

326. Under which name is Agra's 'Keetham Lake' a Ramsar site?
→ **Sur Sarovar** — Ramsar site (2020)

327. In which year was Sur Sarovar Bird Sanctuary of Agra established?
→ **1991**

328. Shekha Lake of Aligarh came into being after the construction of which canal?
→ **Upper Ganga Canal** — Formed by canal seepage after 1852; about 25 ha; Ramsar site April 2026

329. Which is the first Ramsar site of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Upper Ganga (Brijghat–Narora)** — 8 November 2005

330. How many Ramsar sites does UP have as of 15 October 2026?
→ **14** — Latest: Sauj Lake, Mainpuri

331. How many sites of UP were added to the Ramsar list in 2019?
→ **6** — Nawabganj, Sarsai Nawar, Sandi, Samaspur, Parvati Arga, Saman; designated 2019, formally announced January 2020

332. Haiderpur Wetland, a Ramsar site, lies within which wildlife sanctuary?
→ **Hastinapur** — Ramsar 2021

333. The construction of which barrage (1984) created Haiderpur Wetland?
→ **Madhya Ganga Barrage** — Bijnor

334. Which bird sanctuary of Etah district joined the Ramsar list in January 2026?
→ **Patna Bird Sanctuary**

335. Which lake of Aligarh became a Ramsar site in April 2026?
→ **Shekha Lake** — India's 99th Ramsar site

336. Which bird sanctuary of UP became India's 100th Ramsar site in June 2026?
→ **Jayaprakash Narayan Bird Sanctuary (Surha Tal)**

337. Which lake of Mainpuri district became a Ramsar site in October 2026?
→ **Sauj Lake** — 15 Oct 2026; added with Sukhna (Chandigarh), India's total 103; UP's 14th

338. Sauj Lake of Mainpuri is part of which wetland complex?
→ **Saman wetland complex** — Saman Bird Sanctuary is also a Ramsar site

339. Which is the largest Ramsar site of UP by area?
→ **Upper Ganga (Brijghat–Narora)** — About 26,590 ha

340. In which city is the Kukrail Gharial Rehabilitation Centre?
→ **Lucknow**

341. In which year was the Gangetic dolphin declared the State Aquatic Animal of UP?
→ **2023** — October 2023

342. What is the Gangetic dolphin called in the local dialect?
→ **'Sons'**

343. In which year was the Gangetic dolphin declared India's National Aquatic Animal?
→ **2009**

344. In which district is the 'Jatayu Conservation and Breeding Centre' for the Asian king vulture?
→ **Gorakhpur (Campierganj)** — Inaugurated September 2024

345. In which district is UP's famous 'Lion Safari' (Safari Park)?
→ **Etawah** — Opened to the public in November 2019

346. In which year was Lucknow Zoo established?
→ **1921** — To commemorate the visit of the Prince of Wales

347. What is the present name of Lucknow Zoo?
→ **Nawab Wajid Ali Shah Zoological Garden** — Since 2015

348. Kanpur Zoological Park is set in which natural forest area?
→ **Allen Forest** — Opened to the public in 1974

349. What is the official name of Gorakhpur Zoo?
→ **Shaheed Ashfaq Ullah Khan Zoological Park** — March 2021; on the bank of Ramgarh Tal

350. In which year was Vijay Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary established?
→ **1990**

⚠ Common traps

- The Gangetic dolphin was declared India's National Aquatic Animal in 2009 and UP's State Aquatic Animal in October 2023 — the two years are different.
- 'Patna Bird Sanctuary' is not in Bihar; it is in Etah district of UP (Ramsar site, January 2026).
- Samaspur Bird Sanctuary is in Raebareli, while Saman Bird Sanctuary is in Mainpuri — do not confuse the similar names.

💡 Memory trick

Dudhwa Tiger Reserve = 'D-K-K': Dudhwa + Kishanpur + Katarniaghat. New Ramsar sites of 2026 in order, 'P-S-S-S': Patna (Etah) → Shekha (Aligarh) → Surha Tal (Ballia) → Sauj (Mainpuri).

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05 Agriculture, Animal Husbandry, Minerals, Energy, Industry and ODOP

Agriculture, Minerals, Energy, Industry, ODOP

KEY IDEA

Uttar Pradesh ranks first in India in the production of wheat, sugarcane, potato and milk; a large part of the state's population depends on agriculture.

Sonbhadra is the hub of minerals and power generation, while Kanpur, Noida and Ghaziabad are the major industrial cities.

'One District One Product' (ODOP), in force since 24 January 2018, gives an identity to the traditional product of every district.

351. What is Uttar Pradesh's rank in India in wheat production?
→ **First**

352. Which crop is sown over the largest area in Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Wheat** — Main rabi crop

353. Which Indian state leads in sugarcane production?
→ **Uttar Pradesh**

354. Which district of Uttar Pradesh leads in sugarcane production?
→ **Lakhimpur Kheri** — Also tops in sugarcane area

355. Which state ranks first in India in both potato and milk production?
→ **Uttar Pradesh**

356. Which region of Uttar Pradesh benefited the most from the Green Revolution?
→ **Western Uttar Pradesh**

357. Which state leads India in mentha (peppermint) oil production?
→ **Uttar Pradesh** — Barabanki, Sambhal, Budaun are major areas

358. Malihabad, the main area of 'Malihabadi Dashehari' mango, is in which district?
→ **Lucknow** — Got GI tag in 2009

359. 'Allahabadi Safeda' is a famous variety of which fruit?
→ **Guava**

360. Where is the Indian Institute of Sugarcane Research (IISR) located?
→ **Lucknow**

361. Where is the Sugarcane Research Institute of the UP Council of Sugarcane Research?
→ **Shahjahanpur**

362. Where is the Central Institute for Subtropical Horticulture (CISH), which researches mango?
→ **Rahmankhera, Lucknow**

363. In which city is the Indian Institute of Vegetable Research (IIVR)?
→ **Varanasi**

364. Where is the Indian Institute of Pulses Research (IIPR) located?
→ **Kanpur**

365. Where is the Indian Grassland and Fodder Research Institute (IGFRI)?
→ **Jhansi**

366. In which city is the Central Agroforestry Research Institute (CAFRI)?
→ **Jhansi**

367. Where is the Indian Institute of Farming Systems Research (IIFSR) located?
→ **Modipuram, Meerut**

368. Where in Uttar Pradesh is the regional station of the Central Potato Research Institute?
→ **Modipuram, Meerut** — Institute headquarters at Shimla

369. In which district is the National Bureau of Agriculturally Important Microorganisms (NBAIM)?
→ **Mau** — Kushmaur; Indian Institute of Seed Science also here

370. Where is the South Asia Regional Centre of the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI)?
→ **Varanasi** — ISARC; inaugurated 29 December 2018

371. Where is CSIR-CIMAP, which researches aromatic plants like mentha?
→ **Lucknow**

372. Where is the Indian Veterinary Research Institute (IVRI) located?
→ **Izatnagar, Bareilly**

373. Where is the Central Avian Research Institute (CARI) located?
→ **Izatnagar, Bareilly**

374. The Central Institute for Research on Goats is at Makhdoom in which district?
→ **Mathura**

375. In which city is the Central Institute for Research on Cattle (CIRC)?
→ **Meerut**

376. Where is the Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay Veterinary Science University (DUVASU)?
→ **Mathura**

377. Which state ranked first in India in total livestock in the 20th Livestock Census (2019)?
→ **Uttar Pradesh** — 20th Livestock Census 2019

378. Which state ranked first in India in buffalo population as per the 20th Livestock Census (2019)?
→ **Uttar Pradesh**

379. Which indigenous cattle breed belongs to the Ganga plain (Ballia-Ghazipur region)?
→ **Gangatiri** — Found in Uttar Pradesh and Bihar

380. Which indigenous cattle breed of Bundelkhand is named after the Ken river?
→ **Kenkatha (Kenwariya)**

381. The Kherigarh cattle breed originally belongs to which district?
→ **Lakhimpur Kheri**

382. The home tract of the Ponwar cattle breed is in which district?
→ **Pilibhit**

383. Which buffalo breed of the Agra-Etawah region is famous for high milk fat?
→ **Bhadawari**

384. The home tract of the 'Jamunapari' goat breed is in which district?
→ **Etawah** — Chakarnagar area

385. Which is the famous goat breed of the Etah, Agra and Mathura region?
→ **Barbari**

386. 'Muzaffarnagari' is a breed of which animal?
→ **Sheep**

387. Under which brand name are the milk products of the Pradeshik Cooperative Dairy Federation (PCDF) sold?
→ **Parag**

388. In which district are Uttar Pradesh's rock phosphate deposits mainly found?
→ **Lalitpur**

389. In which region of Uttar Pradesh are pyrophyllite and diaspore found?
→ **Bundelkhand** — Mainly Jhansi-Lalitpur area

390. Shankargarh, famous for silica sand for the glass industry, is in which district?
→ **Prayagraj**

391. The Churk and Dalla cement factories are based on limestone of which district?
→ **Sonbhadra**

392. The Sonbhadra-Singrauli region is mainly famous for which mineral?
→ **Coal**

393. Chunar sandstone, famous for the Mauryan pillars, is found in which district?
→ **Mirzapur**

394. The decorative 'Shajar' stone obtained from the Ken river is associated with which district?
→ **Banda** — Shajar stone craft is also Banda's ODOP

395. Which district of UP is called 'Urjanchal' (energy zone) because of its many power stations?
→ **Sonbhadra** — Singrauli of MP is also called the 'Energy Capital'

396. In which district are the Obra and Anpara thermal power stations?
→ **Sonbhadra**

397. At which place in Sonbhadra is the Rihand hydroelectric station?
→ **Pipri**

398. Where in Uttar Pradesh is NTPC's first power station, 'Singrauli Super Thermal'?
→ **Shaktinagar, Sonbhadra**

399. In which district is the Narora Atomic Power Station located?
→ **Bulandshahr**

400. In which district is the Tanda Thermal Power Project (NTPC)?
→ **Ambedkar Nagar**

401. In which district is the Unchahar (Feroze Gandhi) Thermal Power Station?
→ **Raebareli**

402. In which district is the Parichha Thermal Power Station located?
→ **Jhansi**

403. In which district is the Harduaganj Thermal Power Station?
→ **Aligarh**

404. In which city is the Panki Thermal Power Station located?
→ **Kanpur**

405. In which district is NTPC's 'National Capital Power Station' (Dadri)?
→ **Gautam Buddh Nagar**

406. In which district are the Meja and Bara thermal power projects?
→ **Prayagraj**

407. In which district is the Ghatampur thermal project, a partnership with NLC India?
→ **Kanpur Nagar**

408. In which district is THDC's Khurja Super Thermal Power Project?
→ **Bulandshahr**

409. In which year was UPPCL formed by restructuring the UP State Electricity Board?
→ **2000** — 14 January 2000

410. Which is the nodal agency for renewable energy in Uttar Pradesh?
→ **UPNEDA**

411. What capacity target by 2027 was set in the UP Solar Energy Policy 2022?
→ **22,000 MW**

412. At which place in UP does the HBJ gas pipeline (Hazira–Vijaipur–Jagdishpur) end?
→ **Jagdishpur (Amethi)**

413. In which district is GAIL's Pata petrochemical complex?
→ **Auraiya**

414. Which two cities of Uttar Pradesh are most famous for the leather industry?
→ **Kanpur and Agra**

415. In which year was Indian Oil's Mathura Refinery commissioned?
→ **1982**

416. At which place in Sonbhadra is Hindalco's aluminium plant?
→ **Renukoot**

417. By what name is the Diesel Locomotive Works (DLW), Varanasi now known?
→ **Banaras Locomotive Works (BLW)**

418. In which district is the Modern Coach Factory (rail coach factory)?
→ **Raebareli** — At Lalganj

419. The famous government factory of Ghazipur is related to which product?
→ **Opium** — Government Opium and Alkaloid Works

420. IFFCO's Phulpur and Aonla fertiliser plants are in which districts respectively?
→ **Prayagraj and Bareilly**

421. In which city is the urea plant of Hindustan Urvarak & Rasayan Limited (HURL)?
→ **Gorakhpur** — Dedicated to the nation on 7 December 2021

422. What are the six nodes of the UP Defence Industrial Corridor?
→ **Agra, Aligarh, Jhansi, Kanpur, Chitrakoot, Lucknow**

423. In which city was the BrahMos Missile Integration and Testing Facility inaugurated (11 May 2025)?
→ **Lucknow**

424. Where is the Indo-Russian joint unit that makes AK-203 rifles?
→ **Korwa, Amethi**

425. In which city is the Transport Aircraft Division of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)?
→ **Kanpur**

426. In which city of Uttar Pradesh is BHEL's transformer manufacturing unit?
→ **Jhansi**

427. Where is the Samsung unit inaugurated in 2018 as the 'world's largest mobile factory'?
→ **Noida**

428. When was NOIDA (New Okhla Industrial Development Authority) established?
→ **17 April 1976**

429. On which day was the 'One District One Product' (ODOP) scheme launched?
→ **24 January 2018** — On Uttar Pradesh Day

430. What is the 'One District One Product' (ODOP) of Hathras?
→ **Hing (asafoetida)**

431. Which district's ODOP product is 'Bindi'?
→ **Ballia**

432. The flute (bansuri) is the ODOP product of which district?
→ **Pilibhit**

433. What is the ODOP product of Kannauj?
→ **Ittar (perfume)**

434. Locks and hardware are the ODOP of which district?
→ **Aligarh**

435. Glassware is the ODOP product of which district?
→ **Firozabad**

436. What is the ODOP product of Moradabad?
→ **Metal craft (brass)**

437. Sports goods are the ODOP product of which district?
→ **Meerut**

438. Because of Khurja, what is the ODOP product of Bulandshahr?
→ **Ceramic (pottery) products**

439. What is the ODOP product of Gorakhpur?
→ **Terracotta**

440. What is the ODOP product of Chitrakoot?
→ **Wooden toys**

441. Handicrafts made of horn and bone are the ODOP of which district?
→ **Sambhal**

442. Handicrafts made of wheat stalk are the ODOP of which district?
→ **Bahraich**

443. Handmade paper is the ODOP product of which district?
→ **Jalaun** — Kalpi is its centre

444. Banana fibre products are the ODOP of which district?
→ **Kushinagar**

445. Rim & Axle is the ODOP product of which district?
→ **Shamli**

446. 'Kala Namak' rice is the ODOP product of which district?
→ **Siddharthnagar**

447. In which city is the National Bureau of Fish Genetic Resources (NBFGR)?
→ **Lucknow**

448. Bargarh, famous for glass sand (silica), is in which district?
→ **Chitrakoot**

449. The Bundelkhand region is mainly famous for mining of which hard stone?
→ **Granite**

450. In which district is the Jawaharpur Thermal Power Project?
→ **Etah**

⚠ Common traps

- NTPC's Singrauli Super Thermal Power Station is at Shaktinagar (Sonbhadra, UP), while the Vindhyachal Super Thermal Power Station is in Singrauli district of Madhya Pradesh.
- The Indian Institute of Sugarcane Research (ICAR) is in Lucknow, the UP Council of Sugarcane Research's institute is in Shahjahanpur, and the National Sugar Institute is in Kanpur — all three are different.
- IVRI and CARI are both at Izatnagar (Bareilly); the National Dairy Research Institute (NDRI) is at Karnal (Haryana), not in UP.

💡 Memory trick

Power stations of Sonbhadra — 'ROA': Rihand, Obra, Anpara. Nodes of the Defence Corridor — 'AAJ KCL': Agra, Aligarh, Jhansi, Kanpur, Chitrakoot, Lucknow.

06 Transport, Expressways, Airports, Education, Research Institutes and Sports

Transport, Expressways, Airports, Education, Institutes, Sports

KEY IDEA

UPEIDA has developed a large expressway network in Uttar Pradesh; the 594-km Ganga Expressway (April 2026) is the longest.

Noida International Airport at Jewar (inaugurated March 2026) and the Delhi–Meerut Namo Bharat corridor are the new transport links.

Old universities such as Allahabad, BHU and AMU, and the CSIR laboratories of Lucknow make UP a centre of education and research.

451. At which city of UP do the North-South and East-West highway corridors intersect?
→ **Jhansi**

452. By what number is the old NH-2 connecting Delhi–Kolkata now known?
→ **NH-19** — Via Agra, Kanpur, Prayagraj, Varanasi

453. When was the Uttar Pradesh State Road Transport Corporation (UPSRTC) established?
→ **1 June 1972** — Headquarters Lucknow

454. Which is the nodal agency that builds expressways in UP?
→ **UPEIDA**

455. The Yamuna Expressway connects which two cities?
→ **Greater Noida and Agra** — About 165 km; operational since August 2012

456. What is the approximate length of the Agra–Lucknow Expressway?
→ **302 km**

457. On which date was the Agra–Lucknow Expressway dedicated to the nation?
→ **21 November 2016**

458. In which district is the Air Force emergency airstrip on the Agra–Lucknow Expressway?
→ **Unnao** — Near Bangarmau

459. The Purvanchal Expressway connects Lucknow with which district?
→ **Ghazipur** — About 341 km

460. From which village of Lucknow district does the Purvanchal Expressway begin?
→ **Chandsarai** — Ends at Haidaria (Ghazipur)

461. In which district was the Purvanchal Expressway dedicated to the nation on 16 November 2021?
→ **Sultanpur** — 3.2-km emergency airstrip here

462. The Bundelkhand Expressway runs between which two districts?
→ **Chitrakoot and Etawah** — About 296 km

463. In which district was the Bundelkhand Expressway dedicated to the nation on 16 July 2022?
→ **Jalaun** — At Kaitheri village

464. Through how many districts does the Bundelkhand Expressway pass?
→ **7** — Chitrakoot, Banda, Mahoba, Hamirpur, Jalaun, Auraiya, Etawah

465. Which is UP's longest expressway, built from Meerut to Prayagraj?
→ **Ganga Expressway** — About 594 km

466. In which district was the Ganga Expressway dedicated to the nation on 29 April 2026?
→ **Hardoi**

467. In which district was the foundation stone of the Ganga Expressway laid on 18 December 2021?
→ **Shahjahanpur**

468. Through how many districts does the Ganga Expressway pass?
→ **12** — From Meerut to Prayagraj

469. The Gorakhpur Link Expressway connects Gorakhpur with which expressway?
→ **Purvanchal Expressway** — At Salarpur (Azamgarh); about 91 km

470. When was the Gorakhpur Link Expressway dedicated to the nation?
→ **20 June 2025**

471. Where is the headquarters of the North Eastern Railway (NER) zone of Indian Railways?
→ **Gorakhpur**

472. Where is the headquarters of the North Central Railway (NCR) zone?
→ **Prayagraj**

473. Where is the Research Designs and Standards Organisation (RDSO) of the Railways located?
→ **Lucknow**

474. Between which cities did the first rail service in present-day Uttar Pradesh begin on 3 March 1859?
→ **Allahabad–Kanpur** — By the East Indian Railway

475. India's first Vande Bharat Express (15 February 2019) ran from New Delhi to which city?
→ **Varanasi**

476. India's first semi-high-speed 'Gatimaan Express' (2016) ran from Delhi to which city of UP?
→ **Agra**

477. What is the new name of Mughalsarai Junction?
→ **Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Junction** — Renamed in 2018

478. What is the new name of Jhansi railway station?
→ **Virangana Lakshmibai Jhansi Junction**

479. Which was the first section (29 December 2020) of the Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor (EDFC)?
→ **New Bhaupur–New Khurja**

480. In which city is the Operation Control Centre of the Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor?
→ **Prayagraj**

481. On which date was the Lucknow Metro inaugurated?
→ **5 September 2017**

482. When was the Kanpur Metro inaugurated?
→ **28 December 2021**

483. India's first Regional Rapid Transit (Namo Bharat) corridor connects which cities?
→ **Delhi–Ghaziabad–Meerut** — Full corridor and Meerut Metro: 22 February 2026

484. Lucknow's Amausi Airport is now named after whom?
→ **Chaudhary Charan Singh** — Named in 2008; India's 5th Prime Minister

485. At which place is the Lal Bahadur Shastri International Airport of Varanasi?
→ **Babatpur**

486. When was Kushinagar International Airport inaugurated?
→ **20 October 2021**

487. After whom is Ayodhya's airport named?
→ **Maharishi Valmiki** — Inaugurated 30 December 2023

488. At which place has Noida International Airport been built?
→ **Jewar (Gautam Buddh Nagar)** — Inaugurated 28 March 2026; commercial flights from 15 June 2026

489. Which command of the Indian Air Force is headquartered at Bamrauli, Prayagraj?
→ **Central Air Command**

490. Where is the Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Uran Akademi (IGRUA) located?
→ **Fursatganj** — Pilot training institute

491. National Waterway-1 (Ganga) runs from Prayagraj to which place?
→ **Haldia** — About 1,620 km

492. Where was the first multimodal terminal on National Waterway-1 (12 November 2018) built?
→ **Varanasi (Ramnagar)**

493. From which city did the river cruise 'Ganga Vilas' set off on 13 January 2023?
→ **Varanasi** — Destination Dibrugarh (Assam)

494. When was the University of Allahabad established?
→ **23 September 1887** — Became a central university in 2005

495. Who founded Banaras Hindu University (BHU) in 1916?
→ **Pt. Madan Mohan Malaviya**

496. Who founded the 'MAO College' (1875), the forerunner of Aligarh Muslim University?
→ **Sir Syed Ahmad Khan**

497. In which year did MAO College become Aligarh Muslim University?
→ **1920**

498. Lucknow University developed from which college?
→ **Canning College**

499. Who founded the Sanskrit College of Varanasi (1791), now Sampurnanand Sanskrit University?
→ **Jonathan Duncan**

500. In which year was Kashi Vidyapith established?
→ **1921** — Inaugurated by Gandhiji

501. In which year was Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gorakhpur University established?
→ **1957**

502. When was Agra University (now Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University) established?
→ **1927**

503. Where is the Uttar Pradesh Rajarshi Tandon Open University located?
→ **Prayagraj**

504. What was the former name of Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Technical University (AKTU)?
→ **Uttar Pradesh Technical University** — Established 2000; Lucknow

505. In which city is Madan Mohan Malaviya University of Technology?
→ **Gorakhpur**

506. Where is Harcourt Butler Technical University (HBTU) located?
→ **Kanpur**

507. In which year was IIT Kanpur established?
→ **1959**

508. Which institute of BHU got IIT status in 2012?
→ **IT-BHU** — Now IIT (BHU) Varanasi

509. In which year was IIM Lucknow established?
→ **1984**

510. In which city is Motilal Nehru National Institute of Technology (MNNIT)?
→ **Prayagraj**

511. Where is Dr. Ram Manohar Lohiya National Law University?
→ **Lucknow**

512. Where is Rajiv Gandhi National Aviation University (central) located?
→ **Fursatganj**

513. In which district is Jagadguru Rambhadracharya University for persons with disabilities?
→ **Chitrakoot**

514. Where is Acharya Narendra Deva University of Agriculture and Technology?
→ **Kumarganj, Ayodhya**

515. In which city is Chandra Shekhar Azad University of Agriculture and Technology located?
→ **Kanpur** — University status in 1975

516. In which district is Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel University of Agriculture and Technology?
→ **Meerut** — At Modipuram

517. Where is Sam Higginbottom University of Agriculture, Technology and Sciences (SHUATS)?
→ **Naini, Prayagraj**

518. In which district is Raja Mahendra Pratap Singh State University?
→ **Aligarh** — Foundation stone laid 14 September 2021

519. In which year was the Board of High School and Intermediate Education, UP (UP Board) established?
→ **1921** — Headquarters Prayagraj

520. Where is the headquarters of the Kendriya Hindi Sansthan?
→ **Agra**

521. Where is the Central University of Tibetan Studies located?
→ **Sarnath, Varanasi**

522. Where is the Central Drug Research Institute (CDRI) located?
→ **Lucknow** — Established 1951

523. In which city is the National Botanical Research Institute (NBRI)?
→ **Lucknow**

524. Where is the Indian Institute of Toxicology Research (IITR)?
→ **Lucknow**

525. Where is ICMR's JALMA institute, which researches leprosy?
→ **Agra**

526. In which city is the National Sugar Institute (NSI)?
→ **Kanpur**

527. In which city is the Fragrance and Flavour Development Centre (FFDC)?
→ **Kannauj**

528. Where is the Indian Institute of Carpet Technology (IICT) located?
→ **Bhadohi**

529. Where is the headquarters of the Footwear Design and Development Institute (FDDI)?
→ **Noida**

530. In which city is Green Park cricket stadium?
→ **Kanpur** — First Test here in 1952

531. Lucknow's Ekana Cricket Stadium is now named after whom?
→ **Atal Bihari Vajpayee**

532. Lucknow's K.D. Singh 'Babu' Stadium is named after a player of which sport?
→ **Hockey**

533. In which city was Major Dhyan Chand, the 'Wizard of Hockey', born?
→ **Prayagraj (Allahabad)** — 29 August 1905; National Sports Day

534. In which district has Major Dhyan Chand Sports University been set up?
→ **Meerut** — Foundation stone laid 2 January 2022

535. On which circuit was India's first Formula-1 race (2011) held?
→ **Buddh International Circuit, Greater Noida**

536. Which is the UP government's highest sports award for male players?
→ **Laxman Award** — Rani Laxmibai Award for women

537. In which state were the third Khelo India University Games (May–June 2023) held?
→ **Uttar Pradesh** — Officially 'KIUG 2022'; closing ceremony in Varanasi

538. Javelin thrower Annu Rani is from which district?
→ **Meerut**

539. Olympic bronze-winning hockey player Lalit Upadhyay is from which city?
→ **Varanasi**

540. Near Kudrail village of Etawah, the Bundelkhand Expressway joins which expressway?
→ **Agra–Lucknow Expressway**

⚠ Common traps

- The Purvanchal Expressway (~341 km) is no longer UP's longest — the Meerut–Prayagraj Ganga Expressway (~594 km) is the longest.
- Pantnagar Agricultural University and IIT Roorkee are now in Uttarakhand; UP's major state agricultural universities are at Kanpur, Kumarganj (Ayodhya), Meerut (Modipuram) and Banda, and Mahatma Buddha University of Agriculture and Technology at Kushinagar is new.
- The world's longest railway platform is now at Hubballi (Karnataka); Gorakhpur's platform held this record earlier.

💡 Memory trick

Purvanchal Expressway — 'C to H': from Chandsarai (Lucknow) to Haidaria (Ghazipur). Bundelkhand Expressway — 'C to E': from Chitrakoot to Etawah.

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07 Ancient History & Architecture

Ancient History & Architecture

KEY IDEA

Uttar Pradesh was a heartland of ancient Indian civilisation — from the Stone Age sites of the Belan valley to the empire of Kannauj.

Mahajanapadas such as Kashi, Kosala, Vatsa, Shurasena, Panchala and Malla lay in this region.

The Buddha's first sermon (Sarnath) and Mahaparinirvana (Kushinagar) took place here; the Mathura and Sarnath schools of art are world-famous.

541. In which district is the Mesolithic site Sarai Nahar Rai located?
→ **Pratapgarh**

542. In which district is the Mesolithic burial site Mahadaha located?
→ **Pratapgarh** — Sarai Nahar Rai and Damdama are also in this district

543. In which district is the Mesolithic rock-shelter site Lekhahia located?
→ **Mirzapur**

544. Which site of the Belan valley is famous for early evidence of rice?
→ **Koldihwa** — Prayagraj district

545. In which district is Mahagara, the Neolithic Belan-valley site with evidence of a cattle pen?
→ **Prayagraj**

546. In which district is Chopani Mando, a Stone Age site of the Belan valley?
→ **Prayagraj**

547. In which district is Lahuradewa, a site with evidence of ancient rice cultivation?
→ **Sant Kabir Nagar**

548. In which district is Alamgirpur, the easternmost site of the Harappan civilisation?
→ **Meerut** — Eastern limit of the Harappan civilisation (standard view)

549. In which district is the Late Harappan site Hulas located?
→ **Saharanpur**

550. Which site in Baghpat is famous for ancient burials with chariots?
→ **Sanauli**

551. In which district is Atranjikhera, with evidence of Painted Grey Ware and early iron?
→ **Etah**

552. Under which archaeologist was Hastinapur excavated in the 1950s?
→ **B.B. Lal**

553. In which district is Naimisharanya, the pilgrimage site linked with the Purana tradition?
→ **Sitapur** — Believed to be the penance ground of 88,000 sages

554. In which district is Hastinapur, the Kuru capital of the Mahabharata age?
→ **Meerut**

555. According to the Puranas, which king shifted the capital from Hastinapur to Kaushambi after a flood?
→ **Nichakshu**

556. In which district is Barnawa, linked with the 'Lakshagriha' (Varanavata) of the Mahabharata?
→ **Baghpat**

557. In which district is ancient Kampilya (Kampil), linked with Draupadi's swayamvara?
→ **Farrukhabad** — Capital of Southern Panchala

558. In the Ramayana tradition, where did Shri Ram cross the Ganga with the help of Nishadraj Guh?
→ **Shringverpur** — Prayagraj district

559. By what name is Pratishthanpur, capital of the Chandravanshi king Pururava, known today?
→ **Jhunsi (Prayagraj)**

560. In which district is the 'Sita Samahit Sthal', linked with Sita entering the earth?
→ **Bhadohi** — Sitamarhi; religious belief

561. Which place in Kanpur is traditionally held to be Valmiki's ashram and the birthplace of Lav-Kush?
→ **Bithoor** — Traditional belief

562. What was the capital of the Vatsa Mahajanapada?
→ **Kaushambi**

563. Who was the king of Vatsa in the Buddha's time?
→ **Udayana**

564. Which merchant built the famous Buddhist monastery 'Ghoshitarama' at Kaushambi?
→ **Ghoshita (Ghoshaka)**

565. Which city was the capital of the Kosala Mahajanapada in the Buddha's time?
→ **Shravasti**

566. Who was the king of Kosala contemporary with the Buddha?
→ **Prasenajit**

567. By what name is the ancient Kosala city 'Saketa' known today?
→ **Ayodhya**

568. What was the capital of the Shurasena Mahajanapada?
→ **Mathura**

569. Which king of the Shurasena Mahajanapada became a follower of the Buddha?
→ **Avantiputra**

570. Which city was the capital of the Kashi Mahajanapada?
→ **Varanasi**

571. In which present-day district is Ahichchhatra, capital of Northern Panchala?
→ **Bareilly** — Capital of Southern Panchala: Kampilya

572. What were the two capitals of the Malla Mahajanapada?
→ **Kushinara and Pava**

573. Where did Gautama Buddha deliver his first sermon?
→ **Sarnath** — Dharmachakra-pravartana

574. What were the ancient names of Sarnath?
→ **Rishipattana and Mrigadava**

575. Which stupa at Sarnath is linked with the site of the first sermon (Dharmachakra-pravartana)?
→ **Dhamek Stupa** — Present form is of the Gupta period

576. Which stupa at Sarnath marks the place where the Buddha met his five companions?
→ **Chaukhandi Stupa** — Topped by an Akbar-period octagonal tower (1588)

577. Where did Gautama Buddha attain Mahaparinirvana?
→ **Kushinagar**

578. In which posture is the Buddha's image in the Mahaparinirvana Temple at Kushinagar?
→ **Reclining posture** — Gupta-period image

579. Which stupa at Kushinagar marks the Buddha's cremation site?
→ **Ramabhar Stupa**

580. In which city did the Buddha spend the most rainy-season retreats (varshavas)?
→ **Shravasti**

581. Which merchant donated the Jetavana monastery at Shravasti to the Sangha?
→ **Anathapindika**

582. In the region of which city did the dacoit Angulimala have a change of heart?
→ **Shravasti**

583. By what name are the remains of ancient Shravasti known?
→ **Saheth-Maheth**

584. With which event of the Buddha's life is Sankisa in Farrukhabad associated?
→ **Descent from heaven**

585. Which animal crowns the Ashokan pillar capital found at Sankisa?
→ **Elephant**

586. In which district is the Piprahwa stupa, containing the Buddha's relics?
→ **Siddharthnagar** — Identification disputed; India identifies it as Kapilavastu

587. Who discovered the relic casket at the Piprahwa stupa in 1898?
→ **W.C. Peppé**

588. Where was Rishabhdev, the first Jain Tirthankara, born?
→ **Ayodhya** — 23rd Tirthankara Parshvanath was born at Varanasi

589. In the Jain tradition, which city is the birthplace of Shantinath, Kunthunath and Aranath?
→ **Hastinapur**

590. Which city is considered the birthplace of Sambhavnath, the third Jain Tirthankara?
→ **Shravasti**

591. By what name is Simhapuri, birthplace of the 11th Jain Tirthankara Shreyansnath, known today?
→ **Sarnath**

592. Shauripur, near Bateshwar, is considered the birthplace of which Jain Tirthankara?
→ **Neminath (22nd)**

593. Kankali Tila at Mathura is famous mainly for ancient remains of which religion?
→ **Jainism** — Jain stupa and ayagapattas found

594. Besides its Gupta temple, Deogarh in Lalitpur is famous for a temple group of which religion?
→ **Jainism**

595. Which ruler built the Lion Capital at Sarnath?
→ **Ashoka** — India's National Emblem is adapted from it

596. Which four animals are carved on the abacus of the Sarnath Lion Capital?
→ **Elephant, bull, horse, lion** — With wheels (chakras) between them

597. From where was the sandstone for Mauryan pillars mainly brought?
→ **Chunar (Mirzapur)**

598. Which site in Mirzapur is known for a Minor Rock Edict of Ashoka?
→ **Ahraura**

599. Who took the Meerut Ashokan pillar to Delhi?
→ **Firoz Shah Tughlaq**

600. From which district was the Mauryan Sohgaura copper plate, mentioning famine-relief granaries, found?
→ **Gorakhpur**

601. On which pillar is the 'Queen's Edict' of Ashoka's queen Karuvaki inscribed?
→ **Prayagraj pillar**

602. In which city is the Prayagraj Ashokan pillar believed to have originally stood?
→ **Kaushambi** — Prevailing view

603. The Ayodhya inscription of Dhanadeva mentions the Ashvamedha sacrifices of which ruler?
→ **Pushyamitra Shunga**

604. Patanjali's 'Mahabhashya' mentions the Yavanas besieging which city?
→ **Saketa**

605. Which city of Uttar Pradesh was the second major centre of the empire in the Kushana period?
→ **Mathura** — First capital: Purushapura (Peshawar)

606. Under which dynasty did the Mathura school of art receive special patronage?
→ **Kushana**

607. The headless statue of which ruler was found at Mat, Mathura?
→ **Kanishka**

608. Which stone was mainly used in Mathura art?
→ **Spotted red sandstone**

609. Who founded the Government Museum, Mathura (1874)?
→ **F.S. Growse**

610. Who composed the Prayag Prashasti?
→ **Harishena**

611. The Prayag Prashasti describes the achievements of which Gupta ruler?
→ **Samudragupta**

612. The inscription of which Mughal emperor is also engraved on the Prayag Prashasti pillar?
→ **Jahangir**

613. The Bilsad pillar inscription of Etah belongs to the reign of which Gupta ruler?
→ **Kumaragupta I**

614. The Bhitari pillar inscription of Ghazipur is associated with which Gupta ruler?
→ **Skandagupta** — Mentions victory over the Hunas

615. The Kahaum pillar inscription of Deoria belongs to the reign of which Gupta ruler?
→ **Skandagupta** — Bears figures of Jain Tirthankaras

616. In which mudra is the famous Gupta-period seated Buddha image of Sarnath?
→ **Dharmachakra-pravartana mudra**

617. To which period does the Dashavatara Temple at Deogarh, Lalitpur, belong?
→ **Gupta period**

618. The Dashavatara Temple of Deogarh is considered the oldest temple of which style in North India?
→ **Panchayatana style**

619. The Bhitargaon temple of Kanpur is built mainly of which material?
→ **Brick** — Gupta period

620. What was the ancient Sanskrit name of Kannauj?
→ **Kanyakubja** — Another name: Mahodaya

621. Which dynasty ruled Kannauj before Harsha?
→ **Maukhari dynasty**

622. Who was the husband of Rajyashri, Harsha's sister?
→ **Grahavarman (Maukhari)**

623. Which city did Harshavardhana make his capital?
→ **Kannauj** — Earlier capital was Thaneshwar

624. Who wrote 'Harshacharita', the biography of Harshavardhana?
→ **Banabhatta**

625. Who presided over the Kannauj religious assembly of 643 AD?
→ **Hiuen Tsang**

626. Which charity festival did Harsha hold at Prayag every five years?
→ **Mahamoksha Parishad**

627. From which district was the Banskhera copper plate, bearing Harsha's signature, found?
→ **Shahjahanpur**

628. Vakpati, author of 'Gaudavaho', was the court poet of which king of Kannauj?
→ **Yashovarman** — Bhavabhuti was also in this court

629. For which city was the Tripartite Struggle among the Palas, Pratiharas and Rashtrakutas fought?
→ **Kannauj** — Palas (Bengal), Pratiharas, Rashtrakutas (Deccan)

630. Which Gurjara-Pratihara ruler made Kannauj his capital?
→ **Nagabhata II**

631. Which Pratihara ruler took the title 'Adivaraha'?
→ **Mihira Bhoja**

632. Rajashekhara, author of 'Kavyamimamsa', was the guru of which Pratihara ruler?
→ **Mahendrapala I**

633. Which foreign invader attacked Kannauj in 1018 AD?
→ **Mahmud of Ghazni**

634. Who was the Pratihara ruler of Kannauj at the time of Mahmud of Ghazni's invasion?
→ **Rajyapala**

635. Who founded the Gahadavala dynasty of Kannauj?
→ **Chandradeva**

636. Besides Kannauj, which was the other major capital of the Gahadavalas?
→ **Varanasi**

637. Lakshmidhara, author of 'Krityakalpataru', was the minister of which Gahadavala ruler?
→ **Govindachandra**

638. Which queen of Govindachandra built the Dharmachakra Jina Vihara at Sarnath?
→ **Kumaradevi**

639. Shriharsha, author of 'Naishadhiyacharita', was in the court of which Gahadavala ruler?
→ **Jayachandra (Jaichand)**

640. Who was defeated by Muhammad Ghori in the Battle of Chandawar, 1194?
→ **Jaichand** — Last major Gahadavala ruler of Kannauj

⚠ Common traps

- The Buddha attained enlightenment at Bodh Gaya (Bihar); in Uttar Pradesh came the first sermon at Sarnath and the Mahaparinirvana at Kushinagar.
- Mahavira's nirvana is placed at Pawapuri (Bihar) — do not confuse it with 'Pava' of the Malla Mahajanapada.
- Bhitari (Ghazipur) has Skandagupta's pillar inscription, whereas Bhitargaon (Kanpur) has the Gupta-period brick temple.

💡 Memory trick
Four Buddhist sites, 'S-K-S-S': Sarnath = Sermon (first sermon), Kushinagar = the end (Mahaparinirvana), Shravasti = Stays (most rainy-season retreats), Sankisa = Sky-descent (descent from heaven).

08 Medieval History & Architecture

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KEY IDEA

In the medieval period, the Sharqis of Jaunpur, the Mughals of Agra–Fatehpur Sikri and the Nawabs of Lucknow made Uttar Pradesh a centre of politics and architecture.

The Bhakti movement of Braj and Kashi and the Sufi tradition became the foundation of the region's Ganga-Jamuni culture.

The Rohillas rose in Rohilkhand, and the Chandelas and Bundelas in Bundelkhand.

641. Who had Jalaluddin Khalji murdered at Kara (Kaushambi) in 1296?
→ **Alauddin Khalji**

642. Before becoming Sultan, Iltutmish was the iqtadar of which iqta?
→ **Badaun**

643. Who built the 'Shamsi' Jama Masjid of Badaun?
→ **Iltutmish**

644. Where was Amir Khusrau born?
→ **Patiali (Kasganj)**

645. Which Sultan founded the city of Jaunpur?
→ **Firoz Shah Tughlaq**

646. In whose memory was Jaunpur named?
→ **Muhammad bin Tughlaq (Jauna Khan)**

647. Who founded the Sharqi dynasty of Jaunpur?
→ **Malik Sarwar (Khwaja Jahan)**

648. From which title of Malik Sarwar did the name 'Sharqi' come?
→ **Malik-us-Sharq** — Meaning: Lord of the East

649. Which Sharqi ruler completed the Atala Masjid of Jaunpur?
→ **Ibrahim Shah Sharqi** — 1408 AD; construction begun by Firoz Tughlaq

650. Who built the Lal Darwaza Masjid of Jaunpur?
→ **Bibi Raji** — Queen of Mahmud Shah Sharqi

651. Which Sharqi Sultan completed the Jama Masjid of Jaunpur?
→ **Husain Shah Sharqi**

652. Which city is called the 'Shiraz-e-Hind'?
→ **Jaunpur**

653. Which Sultan ended the Sharqi kingdom and annexed Jaunpur to the Delhi Sultanate?
→ **Bahlol Lodi**

654. Which Sultan founded the modern city of Agra?
→ **Sikandar Lodi** — 1504 AD; made it the capital in 1506

655. Who defeated Humayun in the Battle of Kannauj (Bilgram), 1540?
→ **Sher Shah Suri**

656. During the siege of which fort did Sher Shah Suri die in 1545?
→ **Kalinjar (Banda)**

657. Which garden in Agra, built by Babur, is India's oldest Mughal garden?
→ **Ram Bagh (Aram Bagh)**

658. Which emperor built the present red-sandstone form of Agra Fort?
→ **Akbar** — Construction began in 1565

659. In which year were Agra Fort and the Taj Mahal inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List?
→ **1983**

660. Which Mughal emperor founded the city of Fatehpur Sikri?
→ **Akbar**

661. In which year did Fatehpur Sikri get UNESCO World Heritage status?
→ **1986**

662. The Buland Darwaza of Fatehpur Sikri commemorates which victory?
→ **Conquest of Gujarat**

663. In which year did Akbar build the Ibadat Khana at Fatehpur Sikri?
→ **1575**

664. The dargah of which Sufi saint is at Fatehpur Sikri?
→ **Shaikh Salim Chishti**

665. Which is the five-storeyed pillared building of Fatehpur Sikri?
→ **Panch Mahal**

666. In which building of Fatehpur Sikri does the seat rest on a single central pillar?
→ **Diwan-i-Khas**

667. Which emperor built the fort near the Sangam at Prayag in 1583?
→ **Akbar**

668. What new name did Akbar give to Prayag?
→ **Illahabas**

669. From which city did Prince Salim rebel before becoming emperor?
→ **Allahabad** — 1600 AD

670. The tomb of which Mughal prince is in Khusro Bagh, Prayagraj?
→ **Khusrau Mirza** — Jahangir's eldest son

671. Where is Akbar's tomb located?
→ **Sikandra (Agra)** — Completed by Jahangir

672. Who built the tomb of Itimad-ud-Daula at Agra?
→ **Nur Jahan** — For her father Mirza Ghiyas Beg

673. Which tomb is called the 'Baby Taj'?
→ **Tomb of Itimad-ud-Daula**

674. In whose memory was the Taj Mahal built?
→ **Mumtaz Mahal** — Original name: Arjumand Banu Begum

675. Who is regarded as the chief architect of the Taj Mahal?
→ **Ustad Ahmad Lahauri**

676. White marble from which place was mainly used in the Taj Mahal?
→ **Makrana (Rajasthan)**

677. Who built the Jama Masjid of Agra?
→ **Jahanara Begum** — Daughter of Shah Jahan

678. Which Mughal emperor built the Moti Masjid in Agra Fort?
→ **Shah Jahan**

679. In which fort did Aurangzeb keep Shah Jahan under house arrest?
→ **Agra Fort** — Spent his last days viewing the Taj from Musamman Burj

680. From which city did Shivaji escape Mughal custody in 1666?
→ **Agra**

681. Who built the 'Shahi Bridge' over the Gomti at Jaunpur?
→ **Munim Khan** — During Akbar's reign

682. Who built the red-sandstone Govind Dev Temple at Vrindavan?
→ **Raja Man Singh** — 1590 AD

683. Who is regarded as the guru of Sant Kabir?
→ **Ramananda** — Field of work: Varanasi

684. Who founded the Pushtimarg, linked with the worship of Shrinathji in Braj?
→ **Vallabhacharya**

685. Who established the 'Ashtachhap' of eight Krishna-bhakti poets of Braj?
→ **Vitthalnath** — Son of Vallabhacharya

686. Who was Vallabhacharya's disciple and the most famous poet of the Ashtachhap?
→ **Surdas**

687. Which saint, linked with Nidhivan in Vrindavan, is regarded as the guru of Tansen?
→ **Swami Haridas**

688. Which two disciples did Chaitanya Mahaprabhu send to Vrindavan to restore the pilgrim sites of Braj?
→ **Rupa and Sanatana Goswami**

689. Where was Sant Malukdas, author of 'Ajgar kare na chakri', born?
→ **Kara (Kaushambi)**

690. In which city was the Sufi saint Nizamuddin Auliya born?
→ **Badaun**

691. The dargah of which Sufi saint is at Kichhauchha Sharif in Ambedkar Nagar?
→ **Makhdoom Ashraf Jahangir Simnani**

692. In which district is the dargah of Shaikh Abdul Quddus Gangohi?
→ **Saharanpur** — Gangoh town

693. Who founded the independent Nawabi dynasty of Awadh?
→ **Saadat Khan (Burhan-ul-Mulk)**

694. Who was the second Nawab of Awadh, whose tomb is in Delhi?
→ **Safdarjung**

695. Which Nawab of Awadh took part in the Battle of Buxar, 1764?
→ **Shuja-ud-Daula**

696. Which British officer concluded the Treaty of Allahabad in 1765?
→ **Robert Clive**

697. Who shifted the capital of Awadh from Faizabad to Lucknow?
→ **Asaf-ud-Daula** — 1775 AD

698. Which Nawab built the Bara Imambara of Lucknow?
→ **Asaf-ud-Daula** — Famine-relief work during the 1784 famine

699. Who was the architect of Lucknow's Bara Imambara?
→ **Kifayatullah**

700. The charge of plundering the 'Begums of Awadh' figured in the impeachment of which Governor-General?
→ **Warren Hastings**

701. Which Nawab ceded about half of Awadh to the British by the treaty of 1801?
→ **Saadat Ali Khan** — In Lord Wellesley's time

702. Who was the first ruler of Awadh to assume the title of 'Badshah' (King)?
→ **Ghazi-ud-din Haidar** — 1819 AD

703. Who built the Chhota Imambara (Husainabad) of Lucknow?
→ **Muhammad Ali Shah**

704. Which Nawab built the Qaisarbagh complex of Lucknow?
→ **Wajid Ali Shah**

705. Which Governor-General annexed Awadh to the British Empire in 1856?
→ **Lord Dalhousie** — Ground: misgovernance; last Nawab Wajid Ali Shah

706. Where was Wajid Ali Shah sent after the annexation of Awadh?
→ **Matiaburj (Calcutta)**

707. What was the old name of the Rohilkhand region?
→ **Katehar**

708. Who founded the Rohilla state in Rohilkhand?
→ **Ali Muhammad Khan**

709. Which Rohilla chief was killed in the Rohilla War of 1774?
→ **Hafiz Rahmat Khan**

710. In which present-day district was the Rohilla War of 1774 (Miranpur Katra) fought?
→ **Shahjahanpur**

711. Who founded Rampur State and the Raza Library?
→ **Nawab Faizullah Khan** — 1774 AD

712. Which Rohilla chief founded Najibabad in Bijnor district?
→ **Najib-ud-Daula**

713. Which Bangash Nawab founded the city of Farrukhabad?
→ **Muhammad Khan Bangash** — 1714; named after Farrukhsiyar

714. Which Chandela ruler punished Rajyapala, the Pratihara ruler of Kannauj, for submitting to Mahmud of Ghazni in 1018 AD?
→ **Vidyadhara**

715. Which Chandela ruler of Mahoba did Prithviraj Chauhan defeat in 1182?
→ **Paramardideva (Parmal)**

716. Who captured Kalinjar Fort from the Chandelas in 1202–03?
→ **Qutbuddin Aibak**

717. Kirat Sagar and Madan Sagar of Mahoba are the contribution of which dynasty?
→ **Chandela**

718. To which deity is the ancient Neelkanth Temple of Kalinjar Fort dedicated?
→ **Shiva**

719. Which Bundela king built the Jhansi Fort?
→ **Bir Singh Deo** — 1613 AD; ruler of Orchha

720. Who helped the Bundela king Chhatrasal against Bangash in 1729?
→ **Peshwa Baji Rao I**

⚠ Common traps

- Lucknow's Bara Imambara was built by Asaf-ud-Daula, whereas the Chhota (Husainabad) Imambara was built by Muhammad Ali Shah.
- Jaunpur city was founded by Firoz Shah Tughlaq; the Sharqi dynasty was founded later by Malik Sarwar.
- Awadh was annexed (1856) on grounds of 'misgovernance', not under the Doctrine of Lapse.

💡 Memory trick

Nawabs of Awadh in order — 'SSS-A-W-S': Saadat Khan, Safdarjung, Shuja-ud-Daula, Asaf-ud-Daula, Wazir Ali, Saadat Ali Khan (the line opens and closes with a 'Saadat').

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09 Modern History: 1857 & the Freedom Struggle

Modern History & Freedom Struggle

KEY IDEA

From Buxar (1764) to the annexation of Awadh (1856), the British gradually took control of the UP region.

The Revolt of 1857 began at Meerut; Lucknow, Kanpur, Jhansi, Bareilly and Allahabad became its major centres.

Kisan Sabhas, Chauri Chaura, Kakori and Ballia in 1942 — UP's role in the freedom struggle was central.

721. Which territory did the Nawab of Awadh cede to the British by the Treaty of Faizabad, 1775?
→ **Banaras** — Nawab Asaf-ud-Daula

722. Which Raja of Banaras revolted against Warren Hastings in 1781?
→ **Raja Chet Singh**

723. Which British general captured Aligarh and Agra in 1803?
→ **Lord Lake** — Second Anglo-Maratha War

724. Who proposed the Mahalwari system, introduced in the UP region (North-Western Provinces), in 1822?
→ **Holt Mackenzie**

725. Which state of UP was annexed to British rule under the Doctrine of Lapse?
→ **Jhansi** — Annexed March 1854 after Raja Gangadhar Rao's death (1853); Lord Dalhousie

726. In which year was Awadh annexed to British rule?
→ **1856** — Lord Dalhousie; ground: misgovernance

727. Who was the British Resident at Lucknow at the time of the annexation of Awadh in 1856?
→ **James Outram**

728. Where was Wajid Ali Shah, the last Nawab of Awadh, sent in exile?
→ **Calcutta (Matiaburj)**

729. Mangal Pandey, who revolted at Barrackpore on 29 March 1857, belonged to which district of UP?
→ **Ballia** — Nagwa village; 34th Bengal Native Infantry

730. From the cantonment of which UP city did the Revolt of 1857 begin?
→ **Meerut** — 10 May 1857

731. To which regiment did the 85 soldiers at Meerut who refused the greased cartridges belong?
→ **3rd Light Cavalry** — Court-martialled on 9 May 1857

732. Who was the city kotwal who sided with the rebels at Meerut on 10 May 1857?
→ **Dhan Singh Gurjar** — Resident of Panchli village, Meerut

733. Who led the revolt of 1857 in Lucknow (Awadh)?
→ **Begum Hazrat Mahal**

734. Whom did Begum Hazrat Mahal proclaim ruler (wali) of Awadh?
→ **Birjis Qadr** — Her son (son of Wajid Ali Shah); the Begum became regent

735. Which heroine of 1857 fought from atop a tree at Sikandar Bagh, Lucknow?
→ **Uda Devi** — Pasi community; November 1857

736. Which Chief Commissioner of Awadh was killed defending the Lucknow Residency in 1857?
→ **Sir Henry Lawrence** — July 1857

737. Which British general, who recaptured Kanpur in 1857, is buried at Alambagh, Lucknow?
→ **Henry Havelock** — Died at Lucknow in November 1857

738. Which British commander drove the rebels out of Lucknow in March 1858?
→ **Colin Campbell**

739. In which country did Begum Hazrat Mahal take refuge after defeat?
→ **Nepal** — Died at Kathmandu in 1879

740. Who led the revolt of 1857 at Kanpur?
→ **Nana Sahib** — Associates: Tatya Tope, Azimullah Khan

741. Nana Sahib was the adopted son of which Peshwa?
→ **Baji Rao II** — Lived at Bithoor (Kanpur)

742. Which British general surrendered to the rebels at Kanpur in June 1857?
→ **Hugh Wheeler**

743. At which ghat of Kanpur were British boats attacked in June 1857?
→ **Satti Chaura Ghat**

744. For what event is the Bibighar of Kanpur (June–July 1857) known?
→ **Massacre of British women and children**

745. What was the real name of Tatya Tope, Nana Sahib's general?
→ **Ramchandra Pandurang**

746. Who led the revolt of 1857 at Jhansi?
→ **Rani Lakshmibai**

747. What was Rani Lakshmibai's childhood name?
→ **Manikarnika (Manu)**

748. What was the name of Rani Lakshmibai's adopted son?
→ **Damodar Rao** — Husband: Raja Gangadhar Rao

749. In which city was Rani Lakshmibai born?
→ **Varanasi (Kashi)**

750. Which British commander besieged and captured Jhansi in 1858?
→ **Hugh Rose** — Siege began 24 March 1858; captured April 1858

751. Which heroine of Jhansi is regarded as Rani Lakshmibai's look-alike?
→ **Jhalkari Bai**

752. Near which city did Rani Lakshmibai die fighting?
→ **Gwalior** — Kotah-ki-Serai, June 1858

753. Who led the revolt of 1857 at Bareilly (Rohilkhand)?
→ **Khan Bahadur Khan** — Hanged at Bareilly Kotwali in 1860

754. Which revolutionary Maulvi of 1857 was called 'Danka Shah'?
→ **Maulvi Ahmadullah Shah** — Maulvi of Faizabad; killed at Powayan (Shahjahanpur)

755. Who led the revolt of 1857 at Allahabad?
→ **Maulvi Liaquat Ali** — Made Khusro Bagh his headquarters

756. Who was the Collector of Etawah in 1857 and later founded the Congress?
→ **A.O. Hume**

757. Which Lieutenant-Governor of the North-Western Provinces died in Agra Fort in 1857?
→ **John Russell Colvin**

758. What is the site in Fatehpur where 52 revolutionaries were hanged from a single tamarind tree?
→ **Bawani Imli** — 28 April 1858; leader Thakur Jodha Singh Ataiya

759. Which revolutionary, a devotee of Tarkulha Devi, was hanged at Gorakhpur in 1858?
→ **Bandhu Singh** — 12 August 1858; Dumri estate

760. Which Rana fought the British in 1857 from the Raebareli region (Shankarpur)?
→ **Rana Beni Madhav Singh**

761. In which city was Queen Victoria's Proclamation read on 1 November 1858?
→ **Allahabad (Minto Park)** — Read by Lord Canning

762. Which college did Sir Syed Ahmad Khan establish at Aligarh in 1875?
→ **Muhammadan Anglo-Oriental (MAO) College** — Became Aligarh Muslim University in 1920

763. In which district of UP was Darul Uloom Deoband founded in 1866?
→ **Saharanpur** — Founders: Muhammad Qasim Nanautavi and others

764. Who brought out the Hindi daily 'Hindostan' from Kalakankar (Pratapgarh)?
→ **Raja Rampal Singh** — Daily from 1885; Malaviya ji was its editor

765. Who started the 'Adi Hindu Movement' in 1922?
→ **Swami Achhutanand** — Field of work: Kanpur

766. Who presided over the 1888 Allahabad session of the Congress?
→ **George Yule** — First non-Indian (British) President

767. Who presided over the 1892 Allahabad session of the Congress?
→ **W.C. Bonnerjee** — President for the second time

768. Who presided over the 1899 Lucknow session of the Congress?
→ **Romesh Chunder Dutt**

769. Who presided over the 1905 Banaras session of the Congress?
→ **Gopal Krishna Gokhale**

770. Who presided over the 1910 Allahabad session of the Congress?
→ **William Wedderburn**

771. Who gave the famous speech at the inauguration of BHU in February 1916?
→ **Mahatma Gandhi** — 4 February 1916, Banaras

772. Who presided over the 1916 Lucknow session of the Congress?
→ **Ambica Charan Mazumdar** — Congress–Muslim League Lucknow Pact signed the same year

773. At which session (1916) did the Moderates and Extremists reunite?
→ **Lucknow session**

774. Who were the chief architects of the Lucknow Pact of 1916?
→ **Tilak and Jinnah** — Congress–Muslim League pact

775. Who presided over the 1925 Kanpur session of the Congress?
→ **Sarojini Naidu** — First Indian woman President

776. Who presided over the 1936 Lucknow session of the Congress?
→ **Jawaharlal Nehru**

777. In which UP city was the last pre-Independence Congress session (1946) held?
→ **Meerut** — President: J.B. Kripalani

778. The UP Kisan Sabha, formed in February 1918, had the support of which senior leader?
→ **Madan Mohan Malaviya** — Along with Gauri Shankar Mishra and Indra Narayan Dwivedi

779. In which district was the Awadh Kisan Sabha formed in October 1920?
→ **Pratapgarh** — 17 October 1920

780. Which leader returned from Fiji to lead the peasant movement of Awadh?
→ **Baba Ramchandra** — Awadh Kisan Sabha, 1920

781. In which district did the Munshiganj firing of 7 January 1921 take place?
→ **Raebareli** — Firing on peasants on the bank of the Sai river

782. Who was the main leader of the 'Eka Movement' of 1921–22?
→ **Madari Pasi** — Hardoi, Barabanki, Bahraich, Sitapur

783. The Ali Brothers, leaders of the Khilafat Movement, belonged to which princely state of UP?
→ **Rampur** — Mohammad Ali and Shaukat Ali

784. In which district of UP did the Chauri Chaura incident (4 February 1922) take place?
→ **Gorakhpur** — A mob set the police station on fire

785. Which movement did Gandhiji suspend after the Chauri Chaura incident?
→ **Non-Cooperation Movement** — 12 February 1922

786. Who coined the slogan 'Inquilab Zindabad' in 1921?
→ **Hasrat Mohani** — From Mohan town, Unnao district

787. In which city was the Swaraj Party founded on 1 January 1923?
→ **Allahabad** — Founders: Chittaranjan Das, Motilal Nehru

788. In which city was the first All-India Communist Conference held in December 1925?
→ **Kanpur**

789. In which year was the Kanpur Bolshevik Conspiracy Case conducted?
→ **1924** — Accused: S.A. Dange, Muzaffar Ahmad and others

790. In which year did the Meerut Conspiracy Case begin?
→ **1929** — Against communist and labour leaders

791. Which prominent leaders were injured in the lathi-charge during the Simon Commission protest at Lucknow in 1928?
→ **Nehru and Govind Ballabh Pant**

792. Who was the first President of the All India Kisan Sabha, formed at Lucknow in April 1936?
→ **Swami Sahajanand Saraswati** — 11 April 1936

793. Who presided over the first conference of the Progressive Writers' Association at Lucknow in April 1936?
→ **Premchand** — 10 April 1936

794. Who was the main leader of the Mainpuri Conspiracy of 1918?
→ **Genda Lal Dixit** — Shivaji Samiti; Bismil was also involved

795. At a meeting in which city was the name 'Hindustan Republican Association' adopted in October 1924?
→ **Kanpur** — Presided over by Sachindra Nath Sanyal

796. Ram Prasad 'Bismil', Ashfaqulla Khan and Roshan Singh belonged to which district?
→ **Shahjahanpur**

797. On what date did the Kakori Train Action take place?
→ **9 August 1925** — Kakori — Lucknow district

798. Which revolutionary organisation carried out the Kakori Train Action?
→ **Hindustan Republican Association (HRA)**

799. The train stopped by the revolutionaries at Kakori ran on which route?
→ **Saharanpur–Lucknow Passenger**

800. In which year did the UP government rename the 'Kakori Kand' as the 'Kakori Train Action'?
→ **2021**

801. How many revolutionaries were hanged in the Kakori case?
→ **4** — Bismil, Ashfaqulla, Lahiri, Roshan Singh

802. In which jail was Ram Prasad 'Bismil' hanged?
→ **Gorakhpur Jail** — 19 December 1927

803. In which jail was Ashfaqulla Khan hanged?
→ **Faizabad Jail** — 19 December 1927

804. In which jail was Rajendra Lahiri hanged?
→ **Gonda Jail** — 17 December 1927 — two days before the other three

805. In which jail was Kakori martyr Thakur Roshan Singh hanged?
→ **Allahabad (Prayagraj) Jail** — 19 December 1927; resident of Shahjahanpur

806. In the court of which city did Chandrashekhar give his name as 'Azad'?
→ **Varanasi (Banaras)** — Non-Cooperation Movement, 1921

807. In which park did Chandrashekhar Azad sacrifice his life on 27 February 1931?
→ **Alfred Park, Allahabad** — Now Chandrashekhar Azad Park

808. Who became Premier of the first Congress government in the United Provinces in 1937?
→ **Govind Ballabh Pant** — 17 July 1937; Nawab of Chhatari's interim government preceded it (April–July 1937)

809. Who became India's first woman cabinet minister on joining the United Provinces ministry in 1937?
→ **Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit** — Local Self-Government and Public Health

810. Which leader set up a parallel government in Ballia during the Quit India Movement (1942)?
→ **Chittu Pandey** — 19 August 1942; 'Sher-e-Ballia'

811. Which paper did Ganesh Shankar Vidyarthi start from Kanpur in 1913?
→ **Pratap** — Martyred in the 1931 Kanpur riots

812. Who wrote the flag song 'Vijayi Vishwa Tiranga Pyara'?
→ **Shyamlal Gupta 'Parshad'** — 1924; resident of Narwal, Kanpur

813. Which English daily did Motilal Nehru launch from Allahabad in 1919?
→ **The Independent**

814. Which freedom fighter of Allahabad was known by the title 'Rajarshi'?
→ **Purushottam Das Tandon** — Bharat Ratna 1961

815. In which year was the UP Zamindari Abolition and Land Reforms Act passed?
→ **1950** — In force from 1 July 1952

816. When was Uttaranchal (now Uttarakhand) carved out of UP as a separate state?
→ **9 November 2000**

817. In which city did Sir Syed Ahmad Khan establish the 'Scientific Society' in 1864?
→ **Ghazipur** — Later shifted to Aligarh

818. Which UP leader raised the demand for complete independence at the 1921 Ahmedabad session?
→ **Hasrat Mohani**

819. Who wrote 'The Revolutionary', the manifesto of the HRA?
→ **Sachindra Nath Sanyal** — Distributed on 1 January 1925

820. In which jail did Ram Prasad 'Bismil' write his autobiography?
→ **Gorakhpur Jail**

⚠ Common traps

- Awadh was annexed (1856) on grounds of 'misgovernance', not under the Doctrine of Lapse; the Doctrine of Lapse was applied to Jhansi.
- The Kakori Train Action took place in 1925 and the hangings in 1927: Rajendra Lahiri on 17 December (Gonda), the other three on 19 December 1927.
- The first woman President of the Congress was Annie Besant (1917, Calcutta); Sarojini Naidu (1925, Kanpur) was the first Indian woman President.

💡 Memory trick

1925 = two 'K's — the Kakori Train Action (9 August) and the Kanpur session (Sarojini Naidu). Congress sessions in UP: Allahabad-3 (1888, 1892, 1910), Lucknow-3 (1899, 1916, 1936), Banaras 1905, Kanpur 1925, Meerut 1946.

10 Art, Culture, Music, Folk Traditions, Handicrafts, GI and Literature

Art, Culture, Music, Crafts, GI, Literature

KEY IDEA

Uttar Pradesh is the home of the Lucknow and Banaras gharanas of Kathak, of Thumri and Ghazal singing, and of folk traditions such as Kajari, Birha and Alha.

Events such as the Kumbh, Magh Mela, Dev Deepawali and Deepotsav, and GI crafts such as Chikankari, Banarasi sarees, glass, brass and perfume (ittar), are the identity of the state.

The land of Awadhi, Braj, Bhojpuri, Bundeli and Khari Boli has shaped Hindi-Urdu literature, from Tulsi and Kabir to Premchand and Mahadevi.

821. Which is the classical dance form of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Kathak** — Lucknow and Banaras gharanas in UP

822. Which last Nawab of Awadh gave court patronage to Thumri and Kathak?
→ **Wajid Ali Shah**

823. Which Braj dance is performed balancing a multi-tiered wooden wheel decorated with lamps on the head?
→ **Charkula** — 108 lamps on the wheel

824. Which is the main region of 'Raslila', the dance-drama based on the leelas of Radha-Krishna?
→ **Braj (Mathura-Vrindavan)**

825. With which region of Uttar Pradesh is the 'Rai' folk dance associated?
→ **Bundelkhand**

826. Which Bundelkhandi folk dance do Ahir cowherds perform with sticks (lathis) on Deepawali?
→ **Diwari (Deewari) dance** — With dhol-nagada and peacock feathers

827. Which is the main group folk dance of the tribal community of Sonbhadra-Mirzapur?
→ **Karma**

828. Which famous folk dance of Purvanchal is associated with the Dhobi (washerman) community?
→ **Dhobia dance**

829. Who is regarded as the founder of the Banaras gharana of Kathak?
→ **Janki Prasad**

830. With which gharana of Kathak were the famous 'Kalka-Bindadin' brothers associated?
→ **Lucknow gharana**

831. To which gharana did 'Kathak Samrat' Pandit Birju Maharaj belong?
→ **Lucknow gharana**

832. Who founded the Banaras gharana of tabla?
→ **Pandit Ram Sahai**

833. Ustad Faiyaz Khan, 'Aftab-e-Mausiqi', was a singer of which gharana?
→ **Agra gharana**

834. Which singer of the Banaras gharana is called the 'Queen of Thumri'?
→ **Girija Devi**

835. Which singer, born in Faizabad, is called 'Mallika-e-Ghazal'?
→ **Begum Akhtar**

836. Which sitar maestro, born in Varanasi, received the Bharat Ratna (1999)?
→ **Pandit Ravi Shankar**

837. Which shehnai maestro, a Bharat Ratna (2001), had Varanasi as his karmabhoomi (place of work)?
→ **Ustad Bismillah Khan** — Born in Dumraon (Bihar)

838. Which world-famous flautist was born in Prayagraj in 1938?
→ **Pandit Hariprasad Chaurasia**

839. In which city is the annual 'Dhrupad Mela' held at Tulsi Ghat?
→ **Varanasi**

840. Where is the Bhatkhande Music Institute (now Bhatkhande Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya) located?
→ **Lucknow** — Named after Pt. Vishnu Narayan Bhatkhande

841. Which folk song is sung in the rainy season (Sawan), for which Mirzapur is famous?
→ **Kajari**

842. Which folk song of eastern UP is sung in the month of Chaitra?
→ **Chaiti (Chaita)**

843. Which folk song is sung on the birth of a son?
→ **Sohar**

844. Which folk song describes the pain of separation month by month through the twelve months?
→ **Barahmasa**

845. With which community is 'Birha' folk singing mainly associated?
→ **Ahir (Yadav) community** — Folk singing of eastern UP

846. Which heroic (veer-ras) folk ballad of Bundelkhand is based on the saga of the Banafar warriors of Mahoba?
→ **Alha** — Tradition credits Jagnik with composing the 'Alha Khand'

847. Alha-Udal are regarded as the generals of which Chandela king?
→ **Parmal (Paramardideva)**

848. Which famous folk song of Braj is sung at Holi?
→ **Rasiya**

849. Hathras and Kanpur styles are famous styles of which folk theatre?
→ **Nautanki**

850. Which Ramayana-based folk theatre was inscribed on UNESCO's Intangible Cultural Heritage list in 2008?
→ **Ramlila**

851. In which district is the month-long 'Ramlila of Ramnagar', held under the patronage of the Kashi Naresh?
→ **Varanasi**

852. Where is the Bhartendu Natya Academy located?
→ **Lucknow**

853. Where is the headquarters of the Uttar Pradesh Sangeet Natak Akademi?
→ **Lucknow**

854. Where is the headquarters of the North Central Zone Cultural Centre (NCZCC)?
→ **Prayagraj**

855. In which year did UNESCO inscribe the Kumbh Mela on the Intangible Cultural Heritage list?
→ **2017**

856. In which city was the Maha Kumbh 2025 (13 January–26 February) held?
→ **Prayagraj**

857. Where is the annual 'Magh Mela', with Kalpvas on the banks of the Sangam in the month of Magh, held?
→ **Prayagraj**

858. Which town of Mathura district is famous for 'Lathmar Holi'?
→ **Barsana** — Also in Nandgaon

859. Where is 'Dev Deepawali' celebrated on the Ganga ghats on Kartik Purnima?
→ **Varanasi**

860. In which city is 'Deepotsav' held on the banks of the Saryu every year on the eve of Deepawali since 2017?
→ **Ayodhya** — Main event at Ram ki Paidi

861. In which district is the 'Dadri Mela', held on Kartik Purnima?
→ **Ballia** — Famous for its cattle fair

862. In which district is the 'Garhmukteshwar Mela' of Ganga snan held on Kartik Purnima?
→ **Hapur**

863. In which district is the Bateshwar cattle fair, held on the banks of the Yamuna?
→ **Agra**

864. In which city is the Nauchandi Mela held?
→ **Meerut**

865. In which district is the Dewa Sharif Mela, held at the dargah of Haji Waris Ali Shah?
→ **Barabanki**

866. In which district is the Devipatan Mela, held during Navratri at the Shaktipeeth in Tulsipur?
→ **Balrampur**

867. In which city is the 'Khichdi Mela' of the Gorakhnath Temple held on Makar Sankranti?
→ **Gorakhpur**

868. In which city is the 'Taj Mahotsav' held every February at Shilpgram?
→ **Agra**

869. GI-tagged 'Chikankari' embroidery is the identity of which city?
→ **Lucknow**

870. GI-tagged 'Banaras Brocades and Sarees' belong to which district?
→ **Varanasi**

871. Which GI-tagged city is famous for glass bangles and glass craft?
→ **Firozabad**

872. The metal craft of which city, called 'Peetal Nagri' (Brass City), has received a GI tag?
→ **Moradabad**

873. Which city is famous for GI-tagged 'Ittar' (perfume)?
→ **Kannauj**

874. 'Nizamabad Black Pottery' belongs to which district?
→ **Azamgarh**

875. GI-tagged 'Terracotta' craft belongs to which district?
→ **Gorakhpur**

876. GI-tagged 'Khurja Pottery' (ceramic ware) belongs to which district?
→ **Bulandshahr**

877. 'Tarkashi', the GI-tagged art of inlaying brass wire into wood, belongs to which district?
→ **Mainpuri**

878. Kalpi, famous for GI-tagged 'Handmade Paper', is in which district?
→ **Jalaun**

879. The 'Dholak' of which district has received a GI tag?
→ **Amroha**

880. To which region does 'Sanjhi', the art of making rangoli with stencils cut in paper, belong?
→ **Braj (Mathura-Vrindavan)** — GI: 'Mathura Sanjhi Craft'

881. GI-tagged 'Surkha guava' belongs to which district?
→ **Prayagraj** — GI name 'Allahabad Surkha'

882. GI-tagged 'Desawari Pan' (betel leaf) belongs to which Bundelkhand district?
→ **Mahoba**

883. Which city is famous for 'Petha', a sweet made from ash gourd?
→ **Agra**

884. Which is the second official language of Uttar Pradesh?
→ **Urdu** — By the Official Language (Amendment) Act, 1989

885. What is the other name of the 'Kauravi' dialect of the Meerut-Saharanpur-Muzaffarnagar region?
→ **Khari Boli** — Basis of standard Hindi

886. Which is the main dialect of the Jhansi, Lalitpur, Jalaun and Hamirpur region?
→ **Bundeli**

887. In which language did Tulsidas compose the 'Ramcharitmanas'?
→ **Awadhi**

888. Who wrote 'Padmavat', the romance (premakhyan) composed in Awadhi?
→ **Malik Muhammad Jayasi**

889. What was the poetic language of Surdas, author of 'Sursagar'?
→ **Brajbhasha**

890. According to the popular view, which is the birthplace of Goswami Tulsidas?
→ **Rajapur (Chitrakoot)** — Soron (Kasganj) also claims it

891. Where did Sant Kabir spend his last days?
→ **Maghar (Sant Kabir Nagar)**

892. In which city is Sant Raidas (Ravidas) believed to have been born?
→ **Varanasi**

893. Which writer from Varanasi is called the 'Father of Modern Hindi Literature'?
→ **Bhartendu Harishchandra**

894. Where was the 'Nagari Pracharini Sabha' founded in 1893 to promote Hindi?
→ **Varanasi (Kashi)**

895. In which village was Munshi Premchand born?
→ **Lamhi (Varanasi)**

896. What was the real name of Munshi Premchand?
→ **Dhanpat Rai Srivastava**

897. Which was Premchand's last complete novel, published in 1936?
→ **'Godan'**

898. Who wrote the Chhayavadi epic 'Kamayani'?
→ **Jaishankar Prasad**

899. Which magazine did Mahavir Prasad Dwivedi edit from 1903?
→ **'Saraswati'**

900. In which district was Mahavir Prasad Dwivedi born?
→ **Raebareli** — Village Daulatpur

901. Acharya Ramchandra Shukla, author of 'Hindi Sahitya ka Itihas', belonged to which district?
→ **Basti** — Village Agona

902. Who composed 'Priyapravas', the first epic (mahakavya) in Khari Boli?
→ **Ayodhya Singh Upadhyay 'Hariaudh'** — Born in Nizamabad (Azamgarh)

903. Which 'Mahapandit', born in Azamgarh, wrote 'Volga se Ganga'?
→ **Rahul Sankrityayan**

904. Which writer, born in Ballia, wrote 'Banbhatt ki Atmakatha'?
→ **Hazari Prasad Dwivedi**

905. What is the birthplace of Rashtrakavi Maithilisharan Gupt, author of 'Bharat-Bharati'?
→ **Chirgaon (Jhansi)**

906. Which poetess, born in Prayagraj, wrote the poem 'Jhansi ki Rani'?
→ **Subhadra Kumari Chauhan**

907. Which poetess, born in Farrukhabad, is called the 'Meera of the Modern Age'?
→ **Mahadevi Verma**

908. For which work did Mahadevi Verma receive the Jnanpith Award (1982)?
→ **'Yama'**

909. What was the real name of Firaq Gorakhpuri?
→ **Raghupati Sahay** — Jnanpith 1969, 'Gul-e-Naghma'

910. Who wrote the satirical novel 'Raag Darbari'?
→ **Shrilal Shukla** — Jnanpith 2009 (shared with Amarkant)

911. Which poet, born in Faizabad (Ayodhya), received the 2005 Jnanpith Award?
→ **Kunwar Narayan**

912. Which poet, born in Ballia, received the 2013 Jnanpith Award?
→ **Kedarnath Singh**

913. Who wrote 'Madhushala'?
→ **Harivansh Rai Bachchan**

914. What is the famous ghazal collection of Dushyant Kumar, born in Bijnor?
→ **'Saaye Mein Dhoop'**

915. In which city was the great Urdu poet Mirza Ghalib born?
→ **Agra**

916. With which district of UP is the poet Kaifi Azmi associated?
→ **Azamgarh**

917. Who wrote the novel 'Aadha Gaon', based on Gangauli village of Ghazipur?
→ **Rahi Masoom Raza**

918. What is the highest literary honour of the Uttar Pradesh Hindi Sansthan (Lucknow)?
→ **Bharat-Bharati Samman** — Sansthan established on 30 December 1976

919. With which classical vocal style is the Rampur-Sahaswan gharana mainly associated?
→ **Khayal** — Sahaswan is in Budaun district

920. Who was the most famous folk poet of the Bundeli 'Phag' (Chaukadiya)?
→ **Isuri**

⚠ Common traps

- Terracotta = Gorakhpur; Black Pottery = Nizamabad, Azamgarh; Khurja Pottery = Bulandshahr. Do not mix up these three.
- UP has two GI-tagged pans (betel leaves): 'Banaras Pan' = Varanasi, while 'Desawari Pan' = Mahoba. Do not treat them as one.
- Bismillah Khan was born in Dumraon (Bihar); Varanasi was his karmabhoomi. Similarly, Sumitranandan Pant's Kausani is in Uttarakhand, not in UP.

💡 Memory trick

Azamgarh trio: Hariaudh (Nizamabad), Rahul Sankrityayan, Kaifi Azmi. Ballia trio: Hazari Prasad Dwivedi, Amarkant, Kedarnath Singh.

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11 Polity, Administration, Census 2011, Tribes and Major Schemes

Polity, Administration, Census 2011, Tribes, Schemes

KEY IDEA

The UP Legislature is bicameral: the Vidhan Sabha (403) and the Vidhan Parishad (100). The High Court is at Prayagraj, with a bench at Lucknow.

UP has the most seats in Parliament: 80 in the Lok Sabha and 31 in the Rajya Sabha.

In Census 2011, UP is the most populous state of the country; Scheduled Tribes are only 0.57%.

921. Who was the first woman Governor of independent India, appointed Governor of the United Provinces (UP)?
→ **Sarojini Naidu** — 1947

922. Who was the Governor of UP when the Constitution came into force on 26 January 1950?
→ **H.P. Mody (Sir Homi Mody)** — From 1949 to 1 June 1952; after Sarojini Naidu

923. Who is the present Governor of UP?
→ **Anandiben Patel** — Since 29 July 2019; as of November 2026

924. What is the new name of 'Raj Bhavan', the Governor's official residence in Lucknow?
→ **Jan Bhavan** — January 2026

925. Who became the first Chief Minister of UP on 26 January 1950?
→ **Govind Ballabh Pant**

926. Who was the first woman Chief Minister not only of UP but also of India (1963)?
→ **Sucheta Kripalani**

927. Who was the first non-Congress Chief Minister of UP?
→ **Chaudhary Charan Singh** — 1967

928. In which year was President's Rule imposed in UP for the first time?
→ **1968**

929. Which leader served as Chief Minister of both UP and Uttarakhand?
→ **Narayan Dutt Tiwari**

930. Who was the first Dalit woman Chief Minister of UP, holding the post four times?
→ **Mayawati**

931. Who is the present Chief Minister of UP?
→ **Yogi Adityanath** — Since 19 March 2017; as of November 2026

932. What is the number of elected members in the Uttar Pradesh Vidhan Sabha?
→ **403** — Total membership also 403 since 2022; earlier 1 nominated Anglo-Indian

933. Which Constitutional Amendment ended the nomination of Anglo-Indian members to the Vidhan Sabha?
→ **104th Amendment (2019)** — Effective from 25 January 2020

934. How many seats are reserved for Scheduled Castes in the UP Vidhan Sabha?
→ **84**

935. How many seats are reserved for Scheduled Tribes in the UP Vidhan Sabha?
→ **2** — Duddhi and Obra (Sonbhadra), from the 2017 election

936. In which city is 'Vidhan Bhavan', the building of the UP Legislature?
→ **Lucknow**

937. Who was the first Speaker of the UP Vidhan Sabha (1937–1950)?
→ **Purushottam Das Tandon**

938. Who is the Speaker of the 18th UP Vidhan Sabha?
→ **Satish Mahana** — Since 29 March 2022

939. What is the total membership of the Uttar Pradesh Vidhan Parishad?
→ **100**

940. How many members of the Vidhan Parishad are elected by MLAs?
→ **38**

941. How many members of the Vidhan Parishad are elected from local authorities' constituencies?
→ **36**

942. How many members each are elected to the Vidhan Parishad from the graduates' and teachers' constituencies?
→ **8 each**

943. How many members of the Vidhan Parishad are nominated by the Governor?
→ **10**

944. In which year was the first meeting of the UP Vidhan Parishad of the bicameral legislature under the Government of India Act 1935?
→ **1937** — 29 July 1937; different from the 1887 Provincial Council

945. Who is the present Chairman of the UP Vidhan Parishad?
→ **Kunwar Manvendra Singh** — Since 31 January 2021 (sworn in as Pro-tem Chairman); as of November 2026

946. How many states of India, including UP, have a Vidhan Parishad?
→ **6** — UP, Bihar, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana

947. How many Lok Sabha seats does Uttar Pradesh have?
→ **80**

948. How many of UP's Lok Sabha seats are reserved for Scheduled Castes?
→ **17** — Delimitation 2008; none for STs

949. How many Rajya Sabha seats does Uttar Pradesh have?
→ **31**

950. In which year was the High Court shifted from Agra to Allahabad (Prayagraj)?
→ **1869**

951. Who was the first Chief Justice of the Allahabad High Court?
→ **Sir Walter Morgan**

952. The merger of which court in 1948 created the Lucknow Bench of the High Court?
→ **Oudh Chief Court** — Established 1925, Lucknow

953. Which is the largest High Court of India by sanctioned strength of judges?
→ **Allahabad High Court** — Sanctioned strength 160

954. When was the Uttar Pradesh Public Service Commission (UPPSC) established?
→ **1 April 1937** — Headquarters Prayagraj

955. Where is the headquarters of the Uttar Pradesh Subordinate Services Selection Commission (UPSSSC)?
→ **Lucknow** — Constituted 2014

956. Which new commission of UP was constituted by a 2023 Act for the recruitment of teachers?
→ **Uttar Pradesh Education Service Selection Commission**

957. In which year was the UP Lokayukta and Up-Lokayuktas Act enacted?
→ **1975** — First Lokayukta in 1977 (Justice Vishambhar Dayal)

958. Who conducts the elections to panchayats and urban local bodies in UP?
→ **State Election Commission, UP** — Articles 243K and 243ZA

959. In which year was the Uttar Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act passed?
→ **1947**

960. The Kshettra Panchayat and Zila Panchayat in UP are governed by an Act of which year?
→ **1961** — UP Kshettra Panchayat and Zila Panchayat Act

961. What is the head of a Kshettra Panchayat (development block level) in UP called?
→ **Kshettra Panchayat Pramukh (Block Pramukh)**

962. What is the total population of Uttar Pradesh as per Census 2011?
→ **199,812,341 (about 19.98 crore)**

963. What is Uttar Pradesh's rank in the country by population?
→ **First** — Census 2011

964. What is Uttar Pradesh's share in the total population of India?
→ **16.50%** — Census 2011

965. What is the sex ratio of UP as per Census 2011?
→ **912** — Females per 1000 males

966. What is the child sex ratio (0-6 years) of UP as per Census 2011?
→ **902**

967. What is the overall literacy rate of UP as per Census 2011?
→ **67.68%**

968. What was the male literacy rate of UP in Census 2011?
→ **77.28%**

969. What was the female literacy rate of UP in Census 2011?
→ **57.18%**

970. What is the population density of UP as per Census 2011?
→ **829 persons/sq km**

971. What was UP's decadal population growth rate in the decade 2001-2011?
→ **20.23%**

972. What percentage of UP's population is urban as per Census 2011?
→ **22.27%** — Rural 77.73%

973. What was the population of the 0-6 years age group in Census 2011?
→ **30,791,331**

974. How many districts did Uttar Pradesh have at the time of Census 2011?
→ **71**

975. Which is the most populous district of UP as per Census 2011?
→ **Prayagraj (then Allahabad)** — 5,954,391

976. Which is the least populous district of UP as per Census 2011?
→ **Mahoba** — 875,958

977. Which district has the highest population density as per Census 2011?
→ **Ghaziabad** — 3,971 persons/sq km

978. Which district has the lowest population density as per Census 2011?
→ **Lalitpur** — 242 persons/sq km

979. Which district has the highest sex ratio as per Census 2011?
→ **Jaunpur** — 1024

980. Which district has the lowest sex ratio as per Census 2011?
→ **Gautam Buddh Nagar** — 851

981. Which district has the highest literacy rate as per Census 2011?
→ **Gautam Buddh Nagar** — 80.12%

982. Which district has the lowest literacy rate as per Census 2011?
→ **Shravasti** — 46.74%

983. Which district has the highest female literacy rate as per Census 2011?
→ **Kanpur Nagar** — 75.05%

984. Which district has the lowest female literacy rate as per Census 2011?
→ **Shravasti** — 34.78%

985. Which district of UP had the highest decadal population growth in 2001–2011?
→ **Gautam Buddh Nagar** — Census 2011

986. Which district of UP had the lowest decadal population growth in 2001–2011?
→ **Kanpur Nagar** — About 9.9%; Census 2011

987. Which district has the highest percentage of Muslim population as per Census 2011?
→ **Rampur** — 50.57%; Muslims 19.26% in the state

988. What is the approximate share of Scheduled Castes in UP's population in Census 2011?
→ **20.7%** — 41,357,608 persons

989. Which district of UP has the highest percentage of Scheduled Castes?
→ **Kaushambi** — Census 2011

990. What is the approximate share of Scheduled Tribes in UP's population in Census 2011?
→ **0.57%** — 1,134,273 persons

991. Which district of UP has the largest Scheduled Tribe population?
→ **Sonbhadra** — Census 2011; about 20.7%

992. Which is the largest Scheduled Tribe (group) of UP as per Census 2011?
→ **Gond** — 569,035; about 50% of the ST population

993. Which is the main tribe of the Terai region of UP (Kheri, Bahraich, Shravasti, etc.)?
→ **Tharu**

994. Which is the main tribe notified as a Scheduled Tribe in Lalitpur district?
→ **Sahariya** — Added to the ST list in 2003

995. Which UP scheme gives girls a total of ₹25,000 in 6 instalments?
→ **Mukhyamantri Kanya Sumangala Yojana** — Since 2019; amount raised from ₹15,000 to ₹25,000 from 2024-25

996. Which UP campaign is for the safety, dignity and self-reliance of women and girls?
→ **Mission Shakti** — Since October 2020

997. Which UP government scheme provides free coaching for competitive exams?
→ **Mukhyamantri Abhyuday Yojana** — Since 2021

998. Which UP scheme makes women banking correspondents in gram panchayats?
→ **BC Sakhi Yojana** — Since 2020

999. What is the name of the building that houses the Chief Minister's office in Lucknow?
→ **Lok Bhavan** — Different from the Governor's residence 'Jan Bhavan'

1000. Who is the present Leader of the Opposition in the UP Vidhan Sabha?
→ **Mata Prasad Pandey** — Since 28 July 2024; as of November 2026

⚠ Common traps

- The final literacy rate is 67.68%. 69.72% was the provisional figure; do not write it.
- The largest Scheduled Tribe of UP (Census 2011) is the Gond, not the Tharu. The Tharu is the best-known tribe of the Terai but third in number.
- The Governor's residence in Lucknow is now 'Jan Bhavan' (earlier Raj Bhavan); 'Lok Bhavan' is the Chief Minister's office. Do not confuse the two.

💡 **Memory trick**

Vidhan Parishad = 38 + 36 + 8 + 8 + 10 = 100 (MLAs, local bodies, graduates, teachers, nominated). '912-902': the overall sex ratio is 912; for children it is 10 less, 902.

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