National Geoscience Awards 2024

Prelims: *Current events of national and international importance | Awards*

Why in News?

President Droupadi Murmu to Confer National Geoscience Awards 2024 at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi.

- The National Geoscience Awards are among the country's oldest and most prestigious honors in the field of geosciences.
- Originally known as the *National Mineral Awards until 2009.*
- **Objective** - To honor individuals and teams for extraordinary achievements and outstanding contributions in ***various fields of geosciences.***
- **Instituted in** – 1966.
- **Instituted by** - The Ministry of Mines.
- **Award categories** –
    - National Geoscience Award for Lifetime Achievement,
    - National Geoscience Award and
    - National Young Geoscientist Award.
- **Eligibility –** Indian citizen with significant contribution in any field of geosciences is eligible for this award.
- **Awardees, 2024 -** 12 awards have been finalized under these 3award categories, which include 09 individual and 03 team awards.

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