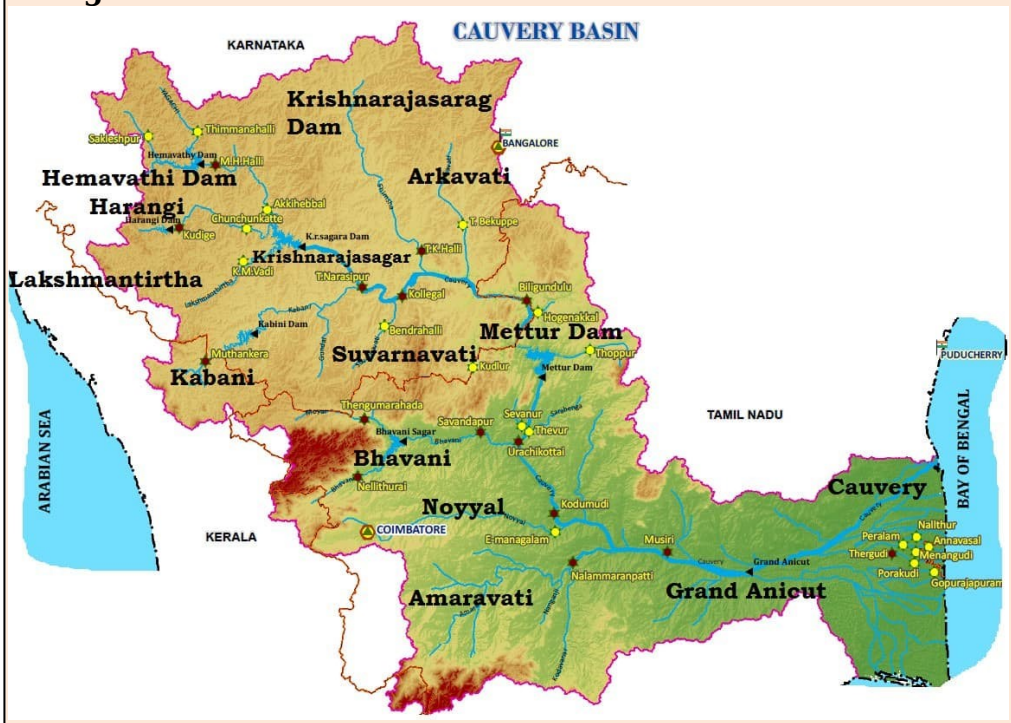
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Geography

Arkavathi River

• **Location** – Mountain River in *Karnataka.*
• **Tributary of** – Kaveri River.
• **Originates at** – Nandi hills and feeds into Kaveri.



• **3 tributaries** – Kumudavathi River, Suvarnamukhi River, and Vrishabhavathi River.
• Half of the river is *critically polluted*, as per the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB).

Polity & Governance

27th National Conference on Good Governance

• **Organized by** – Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG).
• **Vision** – Maximum Governance – Minimum Government.
• It is to be held in *Gandhinagar, Gujarat*.
• **Objective** – To bring national and state level public administration organizations on *a single platform to share experiences* in,
- Innovations in public administration
- Future public solutions for improving quality of life
- Good governance
- E-governance
- Digital governance, etc.

Radar Equipment for the Measurement of Speed of Vehicles

• **Under** – Legal Metrology (General) Rules, 2011.
• **Nodal Ministry** – Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution.
• **Effect from** – July 1st, 2025.
• **Purposes** – It provides that all equipment's shall be *verified and stamped* to ensure their correctness for the protection of human beings in accidents, wear & tear of roads etc.
• It will ensure *precise measurement* of speed, distance, and other relevant parameters.

Members of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS)

• **Launched in** – 1993.
• **Launched by** – P.V. Narasimha Rao, Prime Minister of India (1991-1996).
• **Nodal Ministry** – Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation.
• **Objective** - To provide *funds to MPs* to facilitate developmental works in their constituencies.
• **Fund** – It is a Central Sector Scheme where Each MP has the choice to suggest to the District Collector works to the tune of *Rs.5 Crores per annum.*

National Anubhav Awards Scheme

• **Launched in** – 2015.
• **Launched by** – Department of Pension &Pensioners' Welfare, through an *online platform 'Anubhav'*.
• It is a scheme for *retiring/retired employees* to showcase their significant achievements made during service period.
• **Aim** – To recognize the contribution of eligible Government employees.
• **Eligibility** – Employees of Central Government.
- **Central Public Sector Undertakings (CPSUs)** – Public Sector Banks who are *going to retire in next 8 months* or who have *retired within 3 years.*

2nd Edition of Lok Samvardhan Parv

• **Part of** – 100 days' program for showcased various schemes, programs and achievements of the Ministry.
• **Nodal Ministry** – Ministry of Minority Affairs.
• **Concept** – It was a *platform to popularize the schemes* and achievements of the Ministry.
• **Feature** – To highlight the activities undertaken in convergence with partner organizations and success stories under its various schemes.
• It is an inclusive development programme benefitted a large number of persons from all the minority communities.

Security

Hydrographic Survey

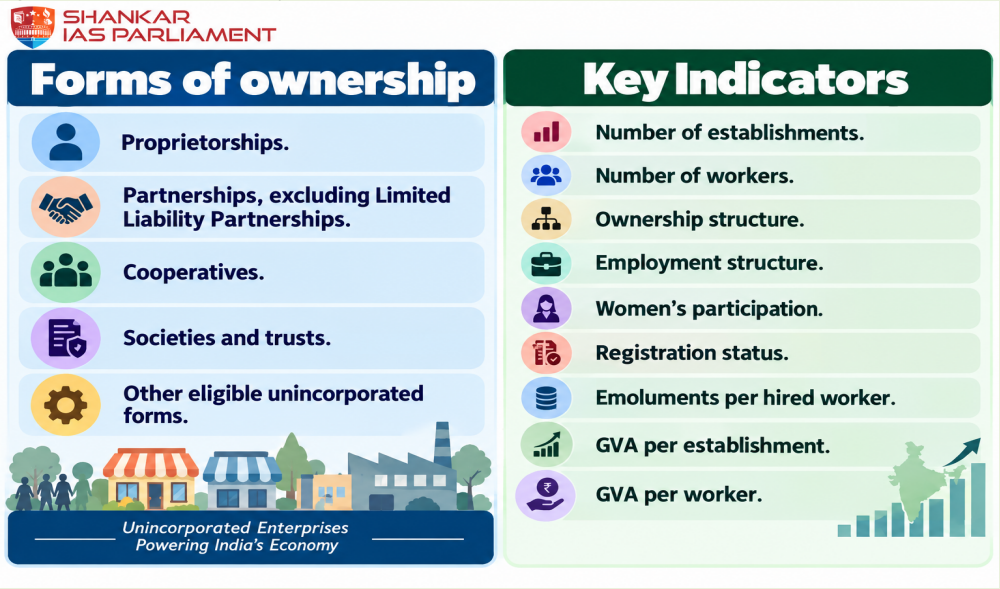
Indian Navy completes hydrographic survey of 25,000 sq. nautical miles of Mauritius.

• It determines the *physical features of an underwater* area like topographic or land surveys.

• **Usage –** To determine the *depth of a body of water*.

• **Purposes** - Building docks or marinas
  - Waterway planning
  - Diversion of water sources
  - Removing soils
  - Wreck location.

• All types of these surveys are conducted with the help of *Automatic Hydrographic Survey System (AHSS)* only.



Aatmanirbharta

• **Organized by** – Defence Research & Development Organization (DRDO).

• **Vision** – To empower India with cutting-edge technologies.

• **Theme** – Raksha Kavach - Multilayer Protection against Multi-domain Threats.

• **Purpose** – To showcase path-breaking innovations for national security during the 76th Republic Day Parade 2025.

Miscellaneous

Khelo India Winter Games (KIWG), 2025

• **Hosted by** – Union Territory of Ladakh and Jammu & Kashmir.
• **Umbrella scheme** – Khelo India Scheme.
• **Teams** – 19, comprising of states & Union Territories.
• **Sports includes**
  - **2 Ice sports** – Ice Hockey & Ice Skating.
  - **4 Snow sports** – Ski Mountaineering, Alpine Skiing, Snowboard & Nordic Skiing.
• It is the *2nd time Ladakh* is hosting the Winter Games, into its *5th edition.*
• It is the *1st time* Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports along with Sports Authority of India is managing the technical conduct of the games.

Khelo India Scheme

• It is a National Programme for Development of Sports.
• **Aim** – To encourage sports all over the country.
• **Time Period –** 2021-22 to 2025-26.
• **Components –** Creation and Upgradation of Sports Infrastructure.
  - Sports Competitions and Talent Development.
  - Khelo India Centres and Sports Academies.
  - Fit India Movement.
  - Promotion of Inclusiveness through Sports.

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