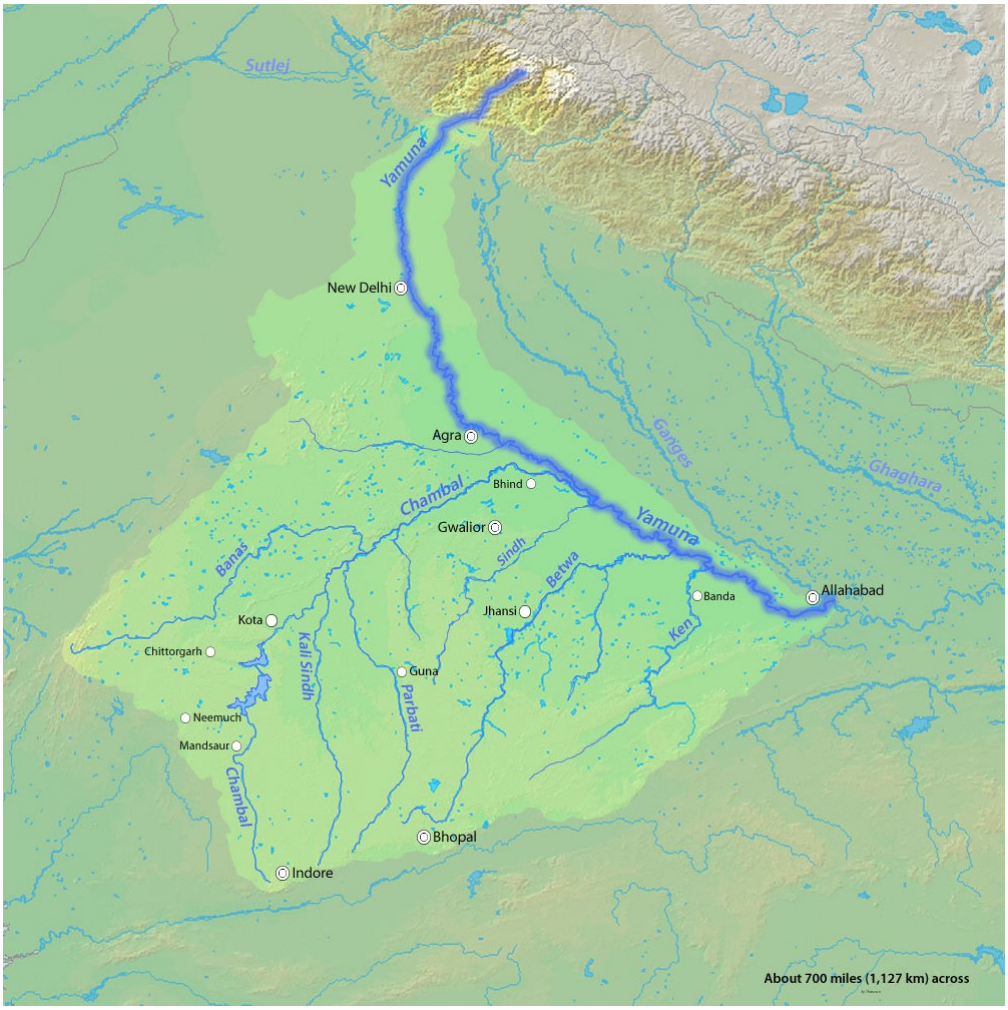
# Yamuna River

## Why in News?

*Delhi Lieutenant Governor VK Saxena, setting an ambitious four-pronged strategy to clean the Yamuna River.*

- It is a major tributary of ***River Ganges.***
- It is one of the ***longest river (1,376 kilometers) in India*** which does not directly flow to the sea.
- It is the ***largest tributary of the Ganga*** in the northern plains.
- **Origin** - It originates from the ***Yamunotri glacier*** in the Garhwal Himalayas of Uttarakhand.
- **Flowing states -** Uttarkhand, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, Delhi, Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan (not a riparian zone) before it merges with the Triveni Sangam, Ganges River in Allahabad.
- **Tributaries in Himalayas -** Rishi Ganga, Kunta, Hanuman Ganga, Tons (largest) and Giri.
- **Tributaries in the plains -** Hindon, Chambal, Sind, Betwa and Ken.

*Gobind Pashu Vihar Sanctuary, Rupin valley is situated on the Tons river.*




- **Historical Cities-** Delhi (the national capital), Mathura (associated with Lord Krishna), Agra (home to the Taj Mahal), and Vrindavan (a revered pilgrimage site).

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