

4. Digital Bharat Digital Sanskriti

Prelims: Art & Culture

Mains: GS-I Indian Culture

Why in News?

- ▶▶ The Union Minister of State for Culture & Tourism inaugurated the CCRT e-portal and YouTube Channel at the event “Digital Bharat Digital Sanskriti” In New Delhi.

Highlights:

- ▶▶ The program is organised by the Rashtriya Centre for Cultural Resources and Training, under the Ministry of Culture.
- ▶▶ With an aim to take India to a newer digital pinnacle and to promote Indian culture, the CCRT e-portal and YouTube Channel are launched.
- ▶▶ In order to explore and understand the unknown aspects of India’s lesser-known places and their rural and semi-urban culture, CCRT has started publishing books from the series “Untold Tales of India’s Cities”.

Centre for Cultural Resources and Training (CCRT):

- ▶▶ It is an autonomous organisation under the Ministry of Culture of the Government of India. It works in the field of linking education with culture.
- ▶▶ It was established in 1979 pioneered by Smt. Kamaladevi Chattopadhyay and Dr. Kapila Vatsyayan. At the philosophical core of the CCRT lies a commitment to holistic education, encompassing the cognitive, emotional and spiritual development of children.
- ▶▶ To this end the CCRT conducts education grounded in cultural knowledge and understanding as conducive to clarity, creativity, independence of thought, tolerance and compassion.
- ▶▶ CCRT’s main thrust is to make a variety of training programmes for in-service teachers, teacher educators, educational administrators and students throughout the country.
- ▶▶ It also organizes special training programmes for physically and mentally challenged children.
- ▶▶ The training programmes provide an understanding and appreciation of the philosophy, aesthetics and beauty inherent in Indian art and culture and focus on formulating methodologies for incorporating a cultural component in curriculum teaching.
- ▶▶ It organises theoretical and theme-based academic programmes on Indian art and culture for teachers and students.