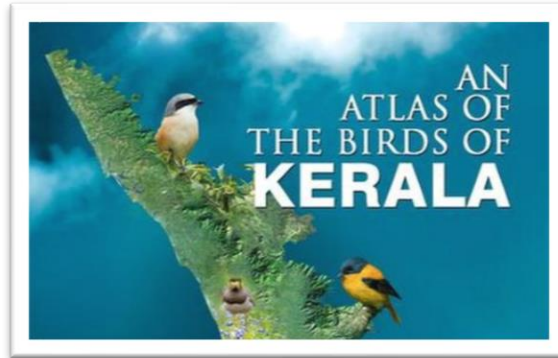


## 22 January, 2022 Current Affairs

### 1. Kerala gets its first ever scientific bird atlas



- The Kerala Bird Atlas (KBA), the first-of-its-kind state-level bird atlas in India, has created solid baseline data about the distribution and abundance of various bird species across all major habitats giving an impetus for futuristic studies.
- Conducted as a citizen science-driven exercise with the participation of over 1000 volunteers of the bird watching community KBA was prepared based on systematic surveys held twice over 60 days a year during the wet (July to September) and dry (January to March) seasons between 2015 and 2020.

### 2. Tripura celebrated 44th Kokborok Day

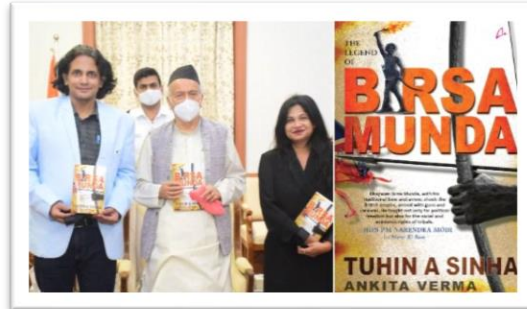


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- The day commemorates the initial recognition of Kokborok as the official language in 1979. 19th January 2022 marks the observance of the 44th Kokborok Day.
- The Kokborok language, the official language of Tripura, is also known as Tripuri or Tiprakok.
- In 1979, Kokborok, along with Bengali and English, was declared an official language of the state of Tripura, India by the state government.
- **Chief Minister of Tripura:** Biplab Kumar Deb; **Governor:** Satyadeo Narain Arya.

### 3. **Sushmita Sen wins International Association of Working Women Award**

- Bollywood actress Sushmita Sen has been conferred with the International Association of Working Women Award at the Washington DC South Asian Film Festival (DCSAFF) 2021.
- The former Miss Universe has been felicitated for outstanding performance by a female actor in a TV series for her show 'Aarya 2'.
- The Aarya 2 series is created by Ram Madhvani and had released on December 10, 2021, on Disney+Hotstar.
- The DC South Asian Film Festival (DCSAFF) 2021 is organised virtually from January 16 to January 30, to showcase the best in alternative cinema from India, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan, Tibet, and Sri Lanka.

**4. A book titled 'The Legend of Birsa Munda' authored by Tuhin A Sinha & Ankita Verma**



- Maharashtra Governor Bhagat Singh Koshiyari has released a book titled 'The Legend of Birsa Munda', authored by Tuhin A Sinha and co-authored by Ankita Verma.
- The Book is the story of a lesser-known tribal hero, Birsa Munda, who courageously fought against the oppressive British Raj for the rights of his tribal community.
- According to the authors, "The book based on true events is a tribute to Birsa Munda who in a very short life mobilized the tribal community, rebelled against forced conversions, envisioned a fair and just society and died fighting for it.
- The Legend of Birsa Munda is the story of a subaltern tribal hero whose contribution to India's struggle for independence must never be forgotten."

**5. Indonesia names new capital Nusantara, replacing sinking Jakarta**

- Indonesia will move its capital to mineral-rich East Kalimantan, an Indonesian province on the island of Borneo.
- The name of the new capital will be Nusantara, which means "archipelago" in Javanese.
- It will be based in the regions of North Penajam Paser and Kutai Kartanegara.

- The new project is likely to cost around 466 trillion rupiah (\$32 billion).

## 6. Govt. to promote Drone use in Agriculture for precision farming in country



- In an attempt to make farming in the country more precision-based, the government is promoting the use of drones in agriculture.
- The Union Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare has already issued guidelines which will make drones more affordable to those within the sector.
- The guidelines, called the 'Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization', were recently amended to grant funds for those who want to use drones. Up to the total cost of the drones or an amount of up to Rs 10 lakh, whichever is lesser, will be granted for buying drones by Farm Machinery Training and Testing Institutes, ICAR institutes, Krishi Vigyan Kendras and State Agriculture Universities.
- It will allow them to ensure large-scale demonstrations of such technology in farmers' fields.

**7.     Gol merges eternal flame of Amar Jawan Jyoti with National War Memorial flame**



- The government of India has merged the flame of the Amar Jawan Jyoti at Delhi’s India Gate with the flame at the adjoining National War Memorial on January 21, 2022, ahead of Republic Day.
- The ceremony was led by the Integrated Defence Staff chief, Air Marshal Balabadhra Radha Krishna.
- The Amar Jawan Jyoti was inaugurated on the Republic Day of 1972 by the then Prime Minister Indira Gandhi.
- The eternal flame of Amar Jawan Jyoti was lit in memory of soldiers who laid their lives during the 1971 Indo-Pakistan war.

**8.     Jerri hamlet declared as first ‘Milk Village’ of J&K**



- Jerri settlement in Reasi district as the first ‘Milk Village’ of the Union Territory and sanctioned 57 more dairy farms under the Integrated Dairy Development Scheme (IDDS) for the hamlet.

- In the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir, the administration has declared Jerri settlement in Reasi district as the first 'Milk Village' of the Union Territory and sanctioned 57 more dairy farms under the Integrated Dairy Development Scheme (IDDS) for the hamlet.
- The village, which houses 73 individual dairy units with 370 cows, will give the local farmers financial security.