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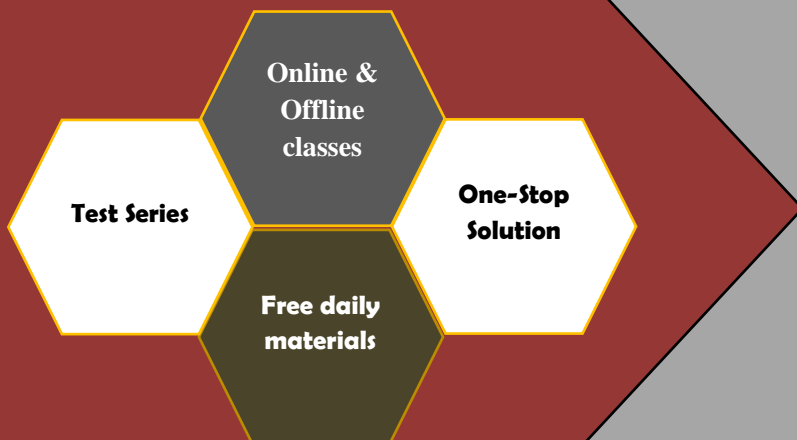
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Recently, Bihar's first state-level bird festival 'Kalrav' started at the Nagi-Nakti bird sanctuaries in the Jamui district, Bihar.

- It is a 3-day event and is expected to draw experts and bird lovers from all over the country.

Key Points

About:

The Nagi Dam and Nakti Dam are two sanctuaries so close to each other that they can be taken as one bird area.

The Nagi- Nakti Bird Sanctuaries have been the home of a wide variety of indigenous species of birds and of migratory birds that turn up during the winters from places like Eurasia, Central Asia, the Arctic Circle, Russia and Northern China..

Avian Fauna :

Over 136 species of birds have been spotted at these sanctuaries.

Bar-headed geese: Around 1,600 bar-headed geese, which is about 3% of the global population of this variety, have been seen here, as per a report of the **Wetlands International** and because of this rare phenomenon, the **Birdlife International**, a global body, has held the **Nagi Dam Bird Sanctuary to be globally important for conservation of birds'** population and has declared it as an **important bird area**.

Wetland International is a global not-for-profit organization dedicated to the conservation and restoration of wetlands.

BirdLife International is a global partnership of conservation organisations (NGOs) that strives to conserve birds, their habitats and global biodiversity, working with people towards sustainability in the use of natural resources.

Other major birds: Indian Courser, Indian Sandgrouse, Yellow-wattled Lapwing and Indian Robin.

Major threats to the biodiversity of the sanctuaries: Agricultural runoff; Land dispute between Irrigation and Forest Departments; Leasing out of the site for fishing.

Other Bird Sanctuaries of Bihar:

- Gautam Budha bird sanctuary, Gaya
- Kawar Jheel bird sanctuary, Bigusarai
- Kusheshwar asthan bird sanctuary, Darbhan