

## **Indian National Cartographic Association**

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Why is in news? 42 International Congress of the Indian National Cartographic Association (INCA)

The 42 International Congress of the Indian National Cartographic Association (INCA) is being organised by the National Hydrographic Office (NHO), Dehradun from 09 to 11 Nov 22.

The focal theme for the 42d INCA Congress is 'Digital Cartography to Harness Blue Economy'.

The deliberation of the Congress will be divided into **07 sub-themes** including Space Technologies for Mapping, Cartographic Applications for Sustainable Development, Geomatics in Disaster Management, Mapping for Environmental Planning & Management, Hydrography for Resource Management and Land Resource Mapping and Surveying.

## Indian National Cartographic Association:

The INCA was founded in **1979** and has evolved into one of the largest organisations in the **field of cartography** with more than 3000 life and institutional members.

Organisations such as the **National Hydrographic Office** (**NHO**), Survey of India, Indian Space Research Organisation, National Thematic Map Organisation and Universities are part of this Association.

The body has various branches functioning at different centers across the country to harmonise various aspects of cartography.

It is a matter of great pride that numerous cartographers, eminent scientists, planners and professionals have been participating in the Congress over the years.