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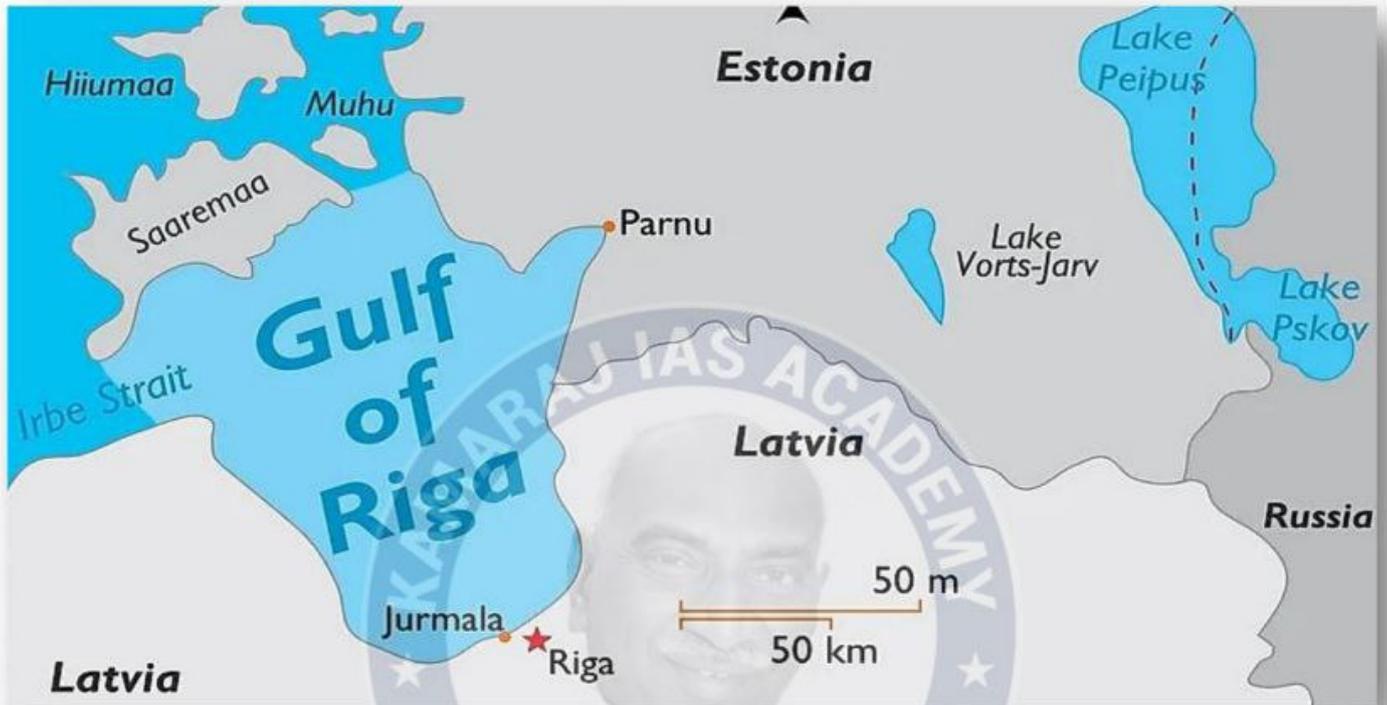
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### Gulf of Riga

- Gulf of Riga is a semi-enclosed **bay** of the **Baltic Sea** located between Latvia and Estonia in Northern Europe.
- It is alternatively known as the Bay of Riga or the Gulf of Livonia and forms a distinct **sub-basin** within the eastern Baltic region.
- The gulf is partially separated from the main Baltic waters by the Estonian island of **Saaremaa** and connected through the narrow **Irbe Strait**.
- The western boundary of the gulf is officially defined by the **International Hydrographic Organization** using specific geographic coordinates between Latvia and Estonia.
- The gulf also incorporates the **Väinameri Sea** within the West Estonian archipelago system.
- Major Estonian islands within the gulf include **Saaremaa**, Kihnu (16.4 km<sup>2</sup> area), and Ruhnu.
- Saaremaa acts as a natural **barrier island**, reducing direct marine exchange and contributing to **brackish water** conditions.
- The average salinity of the gulf ranges between **6–10‰ (parts per thousand)**, significantly lower than the global ocean average of approximately 30–35‰.
- Major rivers discharging into the gulf include the **Daugava**, Pärnu, Lielupe, Gauja, and Salaca rivers.

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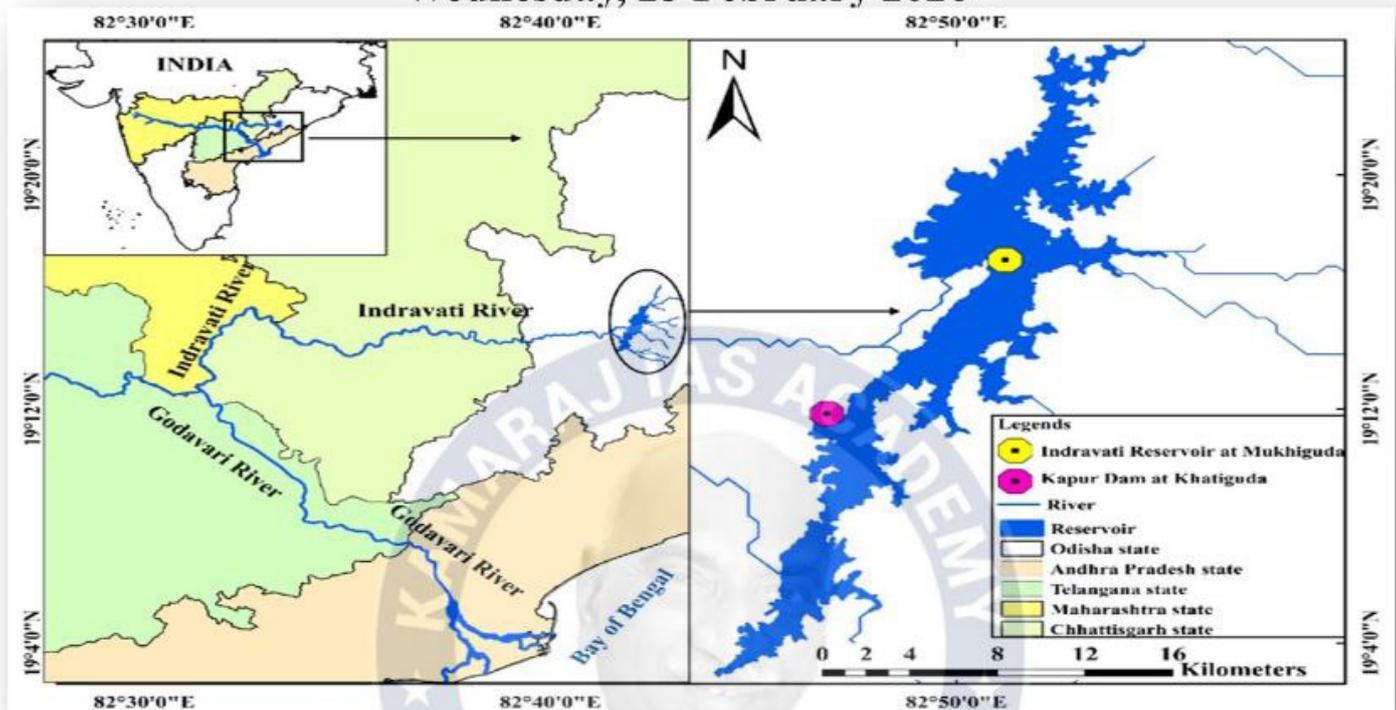
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## Indravati River – 2

- Major right-bank tributaries include **Bhaskel River** and **Kotri River**, among others like Narangi, Nimbra (Parlkota), Boarding and Bandia.
- Important left-bank tributary of the river is the **Nandiraj River**.
- Other tributaries include **Keshadhara Nalla** and **Chandragiri Nalla**, along with Muran, Bangiri, Telengi, Jaura, and Kora rivers.
- The installed capacity of the **Indravati Dam** hydroelectric station is **600 MW**, making it the largest hydropower project in eastern India.
- The project diverts upper-basin waters of the **Indravati River** to the **Mahanadi Valley** for irrigation and electricity generation.
- Five proposed hydropower schemes—**Kutru** (Kutru I, Kutru II, Nugur I, Nugur II)—were shelved due to ecological objections.
- Under the **Godavari Water Disputes Tribunal** award, Odisha must ensure 45 TMC ( $1.3 \times 10^9$  cubic metres) of water at the Odisha–Chhattisgarh border.
- The spectacular **Chitrakote Falls** (also called the “Niagara of India”) lies about 40 km from Jagdalpur on the Indravati.
- The river flows near **Indravati National Park**, a notified Tiger Reserve under Project Tiger in Chhattisgarh.
- Mythological tradition links the river’s origin to **Lord Indra** and **Indrani**, associating the river with sacred folklore in Odisha.
- The basin forms part of the larger **Godavari Basin**, India’s second-largest river basin after

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