

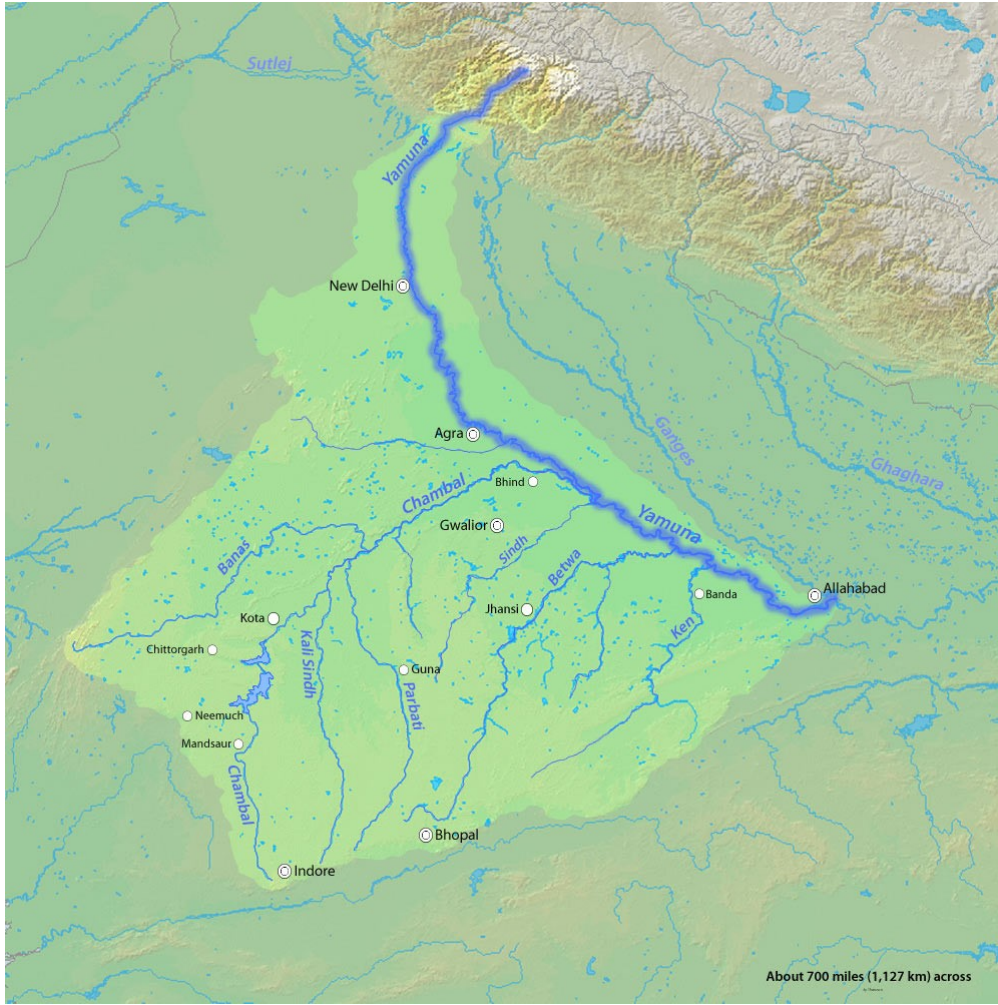
Yamuna River

Why in News?

Delhi Lieutenant Governor VK Saxena, setting an ambitious four-pronged strategy to clean the Yamuna River.

- It is a major tributary of **River Ganges**.
- It is one of the **longest river (1,376 kilometers) in India** which does not directly flow to the sea.
- It is the **largest tributary of the Ganga** in the northern plains.
- **Origin** - It originates from the **Yamunotri glacier** in the Garhwal Himalayas of Uttarakhand.
- **Flowing states** - Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, Delhi, Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan (not a riparian zone) before it merges with the Triveni Sangam, Ganges River in Allahabad.
- **Tributaries in Himalayas** - Rishi Ganga, Kunta, Hanuman Ganga, Tons (largest) and Giri.
- **Tributaries in the plains** - Hindon, Chambal, Sind, Betwa and Ken.

Gobind Pashu Vihar Sanctuary, Rupin valley is situated on the Tons river.



- **Historical Cities-** Delhi (the national capital), Mathura (associated with Lord Krishna), Agra (home to the Taj Mahal), and Vrindavan (a revered pilgrimage site).

Reference

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