

Kshipra River

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The Kshipra riverine system in Madhya Pradesh is facing a major crisis marked by the drying up of its tributaries that fail to maintain a perennial flow.

About Kshipra River

- The Kshipra, also known as the **Shipra**, is a river that flows in the state of **Madhya Pradesh**.
- It is a **tributary of the Chambal River**.
- It is a **perennial river** and is **considered as sacred as the Ganga River** by the Hindus.
- **Course:**
 - **Origin:** It originates from the **Vindhya Range near Ujjain**, Madhya Pradesh.
 - It **flows across the Malwa Plateau to join the Chambal River**.
 - The river is **195 kilometers long**, with a significant portion passing through Ujjain.
- **Major Tributaries:** Khan and Gambhir.
- **Religious Significance:**

- The **Puranas**, or **ancient Hindu texts**, put forward that the **Shipra originated from the heart of Varaha, Lord Vishnu's incarnation as a boar.**
- Also on the banks of the Shipra is **Sage Sandipani's ashram or hermitage**, where **Krishna**, Lord Vishnu's eighth incarnation, **had studied.**
- It finds mention not only in ancient Hindu texts but also in **Buddhist and Jain scriptures.**
- The **holy city of Ujjain** is located on the right bank of the Shipra River.
- The **famous Kumbha Mela** takes place in the ghats of this city, **once every 12 years.**
- There are hundreds of Hindu shrines along the banks of the Shipra River.

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