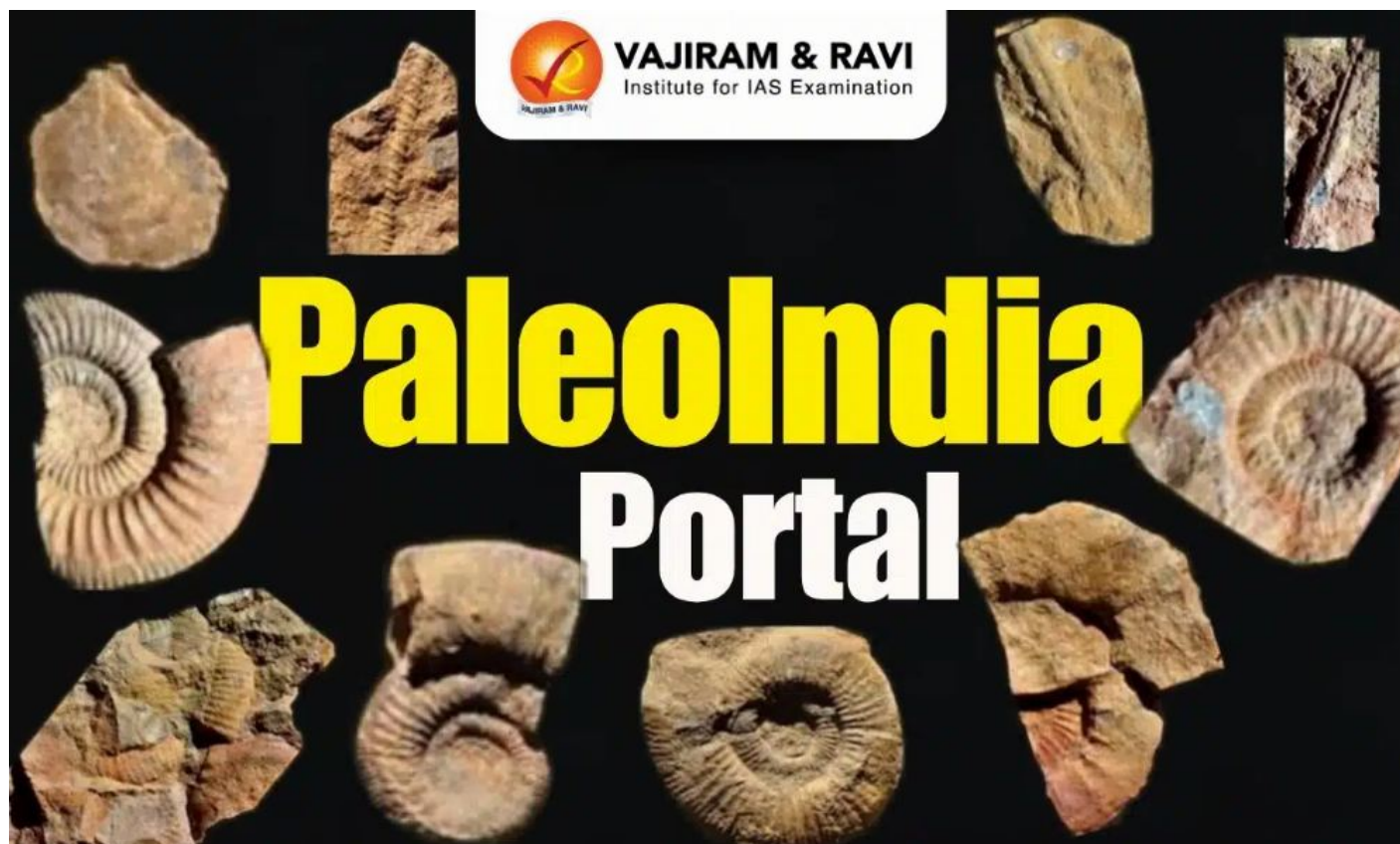


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The Union Minister of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change recently launched the PaleoIndia Portal.

About PaleoIndia Portal

- It is a **digital initiative** developed jointly by the **Zoological Survey of India (ZSI)** and the **National Centre for Sustainable Coastal Management (NCSCM)**, Chennai, using **dynamic geological maps provided by the GSI**.
- The digital platform **documents fossil fauna** across all **28 states and 8 Union Territories**.
- It currently hosts information on **more than 5,000 fossil specimens** spanning **mammals, reptiles, birds, fishes, amphibians**, molluscs, arthropods, foraminifera, echinoderms, and ichnofossils.
- It features a **real-time data upload system** to **enable field-based and citizen science contributions** for safeguarding India's paleontological heritage.

Key Facts about National Centre for Sustainable Coastal Management

- It was established by the **Ministry of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change (MoEF&CC)** in **2011** as an **autonomous institution** to support the protection, **conservation**, rehabilitation, **management**, and **policy advice of the coast**.
- **Headquarters: Chennai**, Tamil Nadu
- **Aims and Objectives:**
 - Strive for being a world-class knowledge institution related to coastal zones, environment, resources, and processes.
 - To **promote** integrated and **sustainable management of the coastal** and marine **areas in India** for the benefit and **well-being of the traditional coastal and island communities**.
 - **Advise the Union and State Governments and other associated stakeholder(s)** on policy and scientific matters related to Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM).
- Its work includes **coastal vulnerability assessments**, **coastal environmental impact studies**, **mapping of Ecologically Sensitive Areas (ESAs)**, and **creating Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) plans**.
- The **Six Research Divisions** of the NCSCM are:
 - Geospatial Sciences, Remote Sensing and Geographic Information Systems (GIS),
 - Integrated Social Sciences & Economics,
 - Coastal environmental impact assessment,
 - Conservation of Coastal & Marine Resources,
 - Knowledge, Governance and Policy,
 - Futuristic Research and Integrated Island Management Unit.

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