

# UNESCO World Heritage Week

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UNESCO celebrates the annual World Heritage Week from November 19 to 25 across countries.

## Objective

The objective of the week, observed by UNESCO, is **to make people aware of the rich heritage and also strive for its preservation.**

## Celebrations in India

- In India, various programs related to historical structures, tour places and cultural and traditional heritage of the country are initiated to celebrate the week.
- Several schools and colleges are celebrated World Heritage Week in the country by organising quiz and painting competitions.
- The Archaeological Survey of India and several other museums are organised programs highlighting the significance of ancient monuments and their preservation.
- The heritage sites celebrated the week include Qutub Minar, Kashi Vishwanath Temple, Delhi Red Fort, Delhi Darwaza, Bhadra Gate, port town of Muziris among others.

## UNESCO World Heritage sites in India

- There are 38 sites in India which include 30 Cultural, 7 Natural and 1 Mixed sites
- Jaipur city(2019) and Victorian Gothic and Art Deco Ensembles of Mumbai (2018) are the recent sites which were added into the list

