

# Vedic Heritage Portal

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**In news**— The Vedic Heritage Portal of the Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA) has been launched recently.

## About the portal-

- The portal is a **one-stop solution for common users and researchers** seeking any information regarding 'Vedic' heritage.
- It gives detailed information about oral traditions, textual tradition in form of published books/manuscripts, or implements.
- The portal aims to communicate message enshrined in the Vedas. It will help common people to have a general understanding about the Vedas.
- This portal has over 18 thousand mantras of the four vedas with a duration of over 550 hours.

## About IGNCA-

- The Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts, established in memory of Smt. Indira Gandhi, is visualised as a centre encompassing the study and experience of all the arts – each form with its own integrity, yet within a dimension of mutual interdependence, interrelated with nature, social structure and cosmology.
- The IGNCA comes under of Ministry of Culture.
- The IGNCA was built in the late 1980s after an international jury comprising British architect James Sterling and India's B V Doshi picked American architect Ralph Lerner's design.
- It was inaugurated in November 1985 by then Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi.

**Note:** During the same 'Kala Vaibhav', a virtual museum based on 64 arts was also inaugurated, through which, the world would be more familiar with India's architecture, painting, drama, music, and thereby the rich history of the country's glorious culture.