Exercise Jal Rahat

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Context- Recently the Indian Army's *Gajraj* corps along with other disaster management groups conducted a joint flood relief drill "Exercise Jal Rahat" at the **Hagrama Bridge on Manas river, Assam.**

Key highlights:

- Apart from the army, the Sasashtra Seema Bal(SSB), the National Disaster Response
 Force(NDRF) teams, State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) teams and the District
 Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) officials and police representatives
 participated in the drill.
- The drill was aimed to boost the flood relief preparedness ahead of the monsoon floods in the state of Assam.

About Exercise.

- The exercise aims to build coordination through rehearsals on relief missions in inundated areas by the joint effort of the various disaster relief specialist teams.
- The exercise aims at coordinating the efforts of multiple agencies with a focused and efficient utilization of innovative strategies in disaster relief management.
- The exercise was a demonstration of innovative expedients involving the utilization of local resources in flood relief operations. The teams showcased use of local resources and material during calamities that shall ensure optimal utilization of available resources, promote self sufficiency and resilience that shall ensure effectiveness and preparedness in mitigating the impact of floods and safeguarding affected communities.