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- Formation day: **1<sup>st</sup> April 1936**
- Old name Odisha: **Kalinga, Utkal, Odra Desha**
- Capital: **Bhubaneswar (Old capital – Cuttack)**



- Total Number of districts: **30 DISRICTS** (314 BLOCKS, 317 TAHSILS)
- Odisha's highest mountain range – **Deomali hills, Koraput district**
- Known for : Country's sole resources of **Ruby & Platinum** group of Metals





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## Chief Minister

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prime Minister of Orissa : **Krushna Chandra Gajapati** (1 April 1936 -- 19 July 1937)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Chief Minister : **Harekrushna Mahatab**
- Current Chief Minister : **Naveen Patnaik**  
(Longest term chief minister of Odisha)



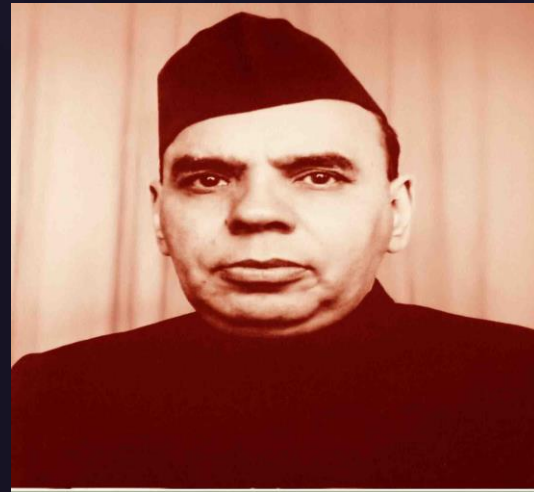
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## Governor

- **1<sup>st</sup> Governor of Odisha (before Independence) : Sir John Austen Hubback** (1 April 1936 -- 11 August 1938)
- **Last Governor of Odisha (before Independence) : Chandulal Madhavlal Trivedi** (1 April 1946 -- 14 August 1947)



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- **1<sup>st</sup> Governor of Odisha (After Independence) :**  
**Kailash Nath Katju** (15 August 1947 -- 20 June 1948)
- **Current Governor of Odisha : Prof. Ganeshi Lal** (29 May 2018 – till date)





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- Legislature of Odisha : **Unicameral (147 seats)**
- Parliamentary constituency : **Lok Sabha (21 seats)**  
: **Rajya Sabha (10 seats)**



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## Orissa High Court

- Odisha High Court, **Cuttack** is the High Court of the state of Odisha
- 1<sup>st</sup> Chief Justices of Odisha : **Bira Kishore Ray** (26 July 1948 – 30 Oct 1951)
- Current Chief Justices of Odisha : **Yashwaant Singh**



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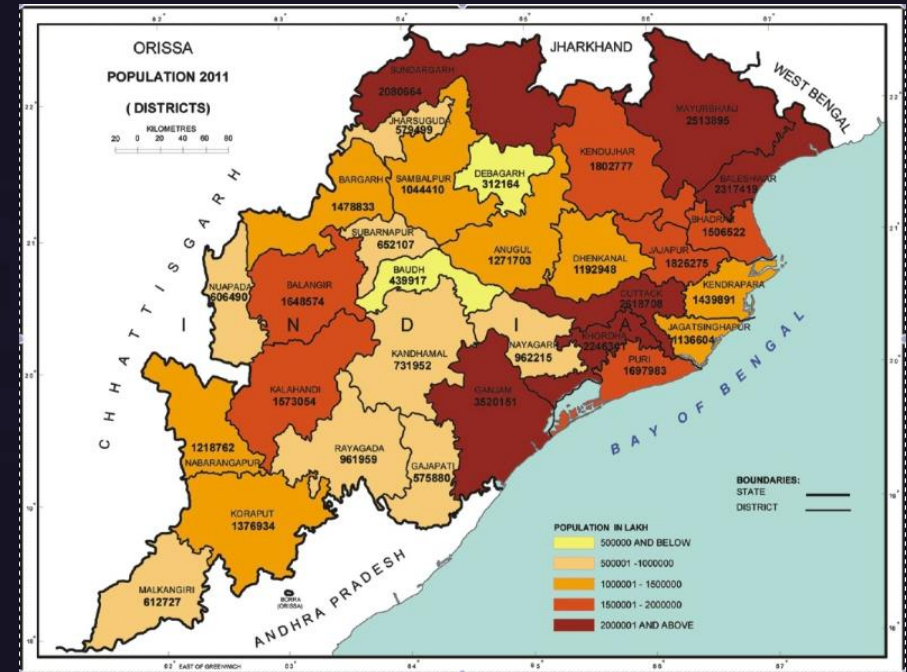
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## Area

- Total : **155,707 km<sup>2</sup>** (60,119 sq mi)
- Area rank : **9<sup>th</sup>**
- **Mayurbhanj** is the largest district & **Jagatsinghpur** is the smallest district in odisha





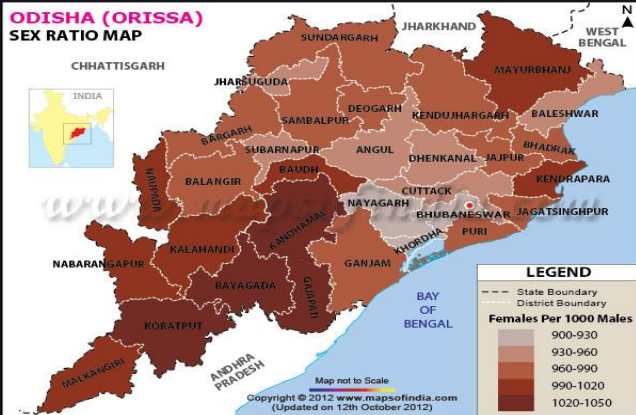
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### Population (2011)

- Total: **41,974,218**
- Rank: **11<sup>th</sup>**
- **Ganjam** District is the **most populated district in Odisha**
- **Deogarh** is the **smallest district** by population in Odisha





## Literacy

- Literacy rate of Odisha as per 2011 Census is **72.9 per cent**
- In rural areas the literacy rate is **70.2 per cent** whereas in urban areas it is **85.7 per cent**
- **Highest** literacy rate in rural areas - **Jagatsinghpur (86.5%)**
- Highest literacy rate in urban areas - **Khordha (91.0 %)**.
- The **lowest** literacy rate in the rural areas - **Nabarangpur district (43.9 per cent )**
- **lowest** urban literacy rate - **Malkangiri (74.5 per cent)**

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## **Official language**

- **Odia**
- The **Odisha Official Language Act, 1954** is an Act of Odisha Legislative Assembly that recognizes Odia "to be used for all or any of the **official purposes of the State of Odisha.**"
- **Odia language on March 11, 2014** became the **sixth** language of the country to get “**classical language**” status after **Sanskrit, Tamil, Telugu, Kannada and Malayalam.**

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## **Railway**

- The headquarters of East Coast Railway: **Bhubaneswar**
- World's Longest Railway Platform at **Shri Siddharoodha Swamiji Railway Station, Hubballi**



## Forest area of Odisha

- The recorded forest area of the Odisha state is **61,204.17 sq km** which constitutes **39.31%** of the State's Geographic area
- District-wise, the biennial report stated that, **Kandhamal** has the **highest forest cover in the state**
- As per the Forest survey of India 2011 report **Mayurbhanj** district has **maximum dense forest** followed by **Sundargarh and Kandhamal**.
- **Bhadrak** has the **lowest forest cover** of **78 square km** which is just **1.34 per cent** of its total geographical area

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**1. Which country is comparable with the size of Odisha?**

- a) Netherlands
- b) Bangladesh
- c) Tunisia
- d) Myanmar

**Answer:** b) Bangladesh (147,570 km<sup>2</sup>)

**2. Which is the largest city of Odisha?**

- a) Bhubaneswar
- b) Cuttack
- c) Rourkela
- d) Berhampur

**Answer: a) Bhubaneswar (161 km<sup>2</sup> Approx.)**

**3. What is the State Fish of Odisha?**

- a) Ilish
- b) Mahanadi Mahseer
- c) Mud Fish
- d) Walking Catfish

**Answer: b) Mahanadi Mahseer**

**4. What type of Legislature is the Odisha Legislative Assembly?**

- a) Unicameral
- b) Bicameral
- c) Tricameral
- d) Multicameral

**Answer: a) Unicameral**



**5. Who is the speaker of the Odisha Legislative Assembly?**

- a) Rajani Kant Singh
- b) Bikram Keshari Arukha
- c) Surjya Narayan Patro
- d) Pradipta Kumar Naik

**Answer:** b) Bikram Keshari Arukha

**6. Who was the first Chief Minister of Odisha before Independence?**

- a) Nabakrushna Choudhury
- b) Harekrushna Mahatab
- c) Krushna Chandra Gajapati
- d) Bishwanath Das

**Answer:** c) Krushna Chandra Gajapati

**7. Who was the first Governor of Odisha before Independence?**

- a) Hawthorne Lewis
- b) Sir John Austen Hubback
- c) George Townsend Boag
- d) Sir John Austen Hubback

**Answer:** d) Sir John Austen Hubback

**8. How many Divisions are in Odisha?**

- a) 4 Divisions
- b) 7 Divisions
- c) 3 Divisions
- d) 2 Divisions

**Answer: c) 3 Divisions**

**9. Which is the smallest District of Odisha?**

- a) Bhadrak
- b) Jagatsinghapur
- c) Jharsuguda
- d) Subarnapur

**Answer: b) Jagatsinghapur**



**10. How many Municipal Corporations are in Odisha?**

- a) 3 Municipal Corporations
- b) 4 Municipal Corporations
- c) 5 Municipal Corporations
- d) 7 Municipal Corporations

**Answer: c) 5 Municipal Corporations**

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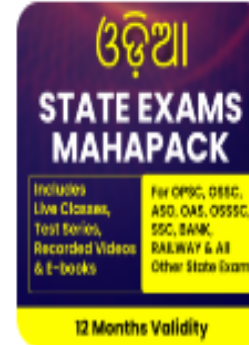
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**11. Which of the following is the first organized work of prose in Odia literature?**

- [A] Rudrasudhanidhi**
- [B] Labanyabati**
- [C] Rasabaridhi**
- [D] Kanaklata**

**Correct Answer: A [Rudrasudhanidhi]**

**12. What was the capital of Kalinga after its annexation with Magadha empire?**

- (a) Tosali
- (b) Samapa
- (c) Sisupalgarh
- (d) Dantapura

**ANSWER: A**



**13. “Mugger Crocodile scheme” at Ramatirtha, Jashipur was started in which year?**

**[A] 1950**

**[B] 1969**

**[C] 1979**

**[D] 1989**

**Correct Answer: C [1979]**

**14. Balimela wildlife sanctuary is situated in which district of Odisha?**

[A] Koraput

[B] Malkangiri

[C] Mayurbhanj

[D] Angul

**Correct Answer: B [Malkangiri]**

**15. Duck breeding farm is situated in which district of Odisha?**

- [A] Cuttack**
- [B] Koraput**
- [C] Kandhamal**
- [D] Balasore**

**Correct Answer: A [Cuttack]**

**16. What is the name of the oldest University of Odisha?**

- [A] Sambalpur University
- [B] Berhampur University
- [C] Utkal University
- [D] Cenral University of Odisha

**Correct Answer: C [Utkal University]**

**17. Who is the director of the Odia movie Phula Chandana?**

- [A] Himanshu Rai**
- [B] Prashanta Nanda**
- [C] Mohammad Mohsin**
- [D] None of the above**

**Correct Answer: C [Mohammad Mohsin]**

**18. What is the name of the first Odia film with an English name?**

- [A] The Odiya struggle
- [B] The Coastal Territory
- [C] Roles to Eight
- [D] Before We Go

**Correct Answer: C [Roles to Eight]**



**19. Which of the following districts of Odisha has the highest sex ratio as per census 2011?**

- [A] Rayagada
- [B] Boudh
- [C] Kalahandi
- [D] Puri

**Correct Answer: A [Rayagada]**

**Q20. In which year, Odia was recognised as one of the classical languages of India**

- (A) 2012**
- (B) 2015**
- (C) 2013**
- (D) 2014**

**Answer: (D) 2014**

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