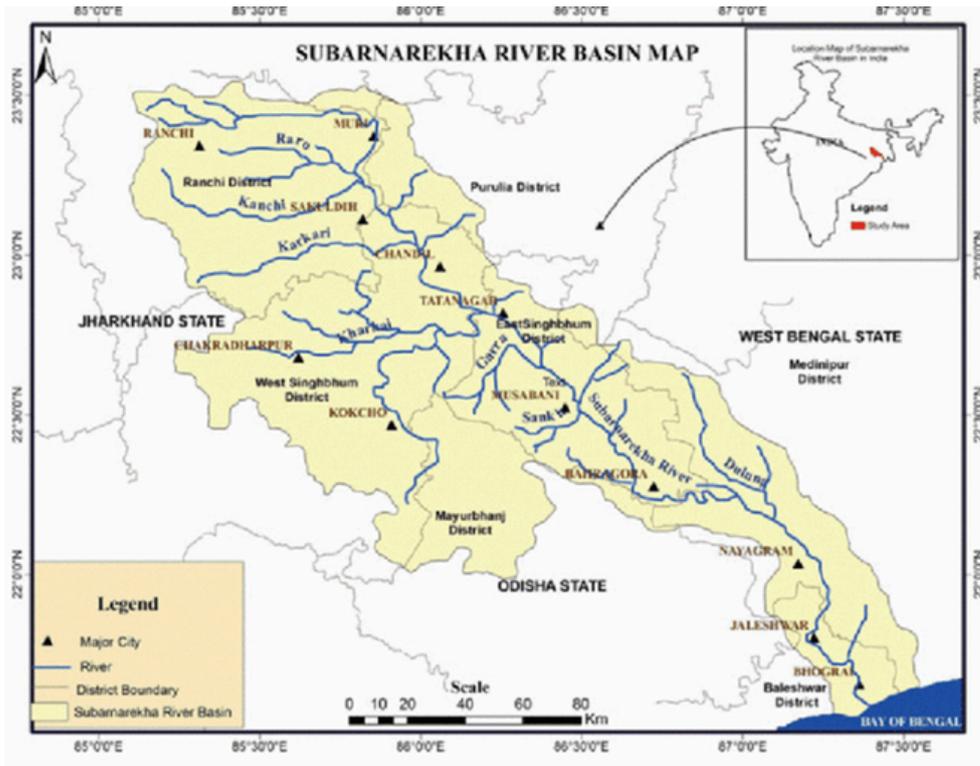


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**Context:** In Balasore, Odisha, over 50,000 individuals were impacted by a flash flood in the Subarnarekha River, which was triggered by heavy rainfall and the release of water from the Chandil Dam in Jharkhand.



## About Subarnarekha River:

### Origin of River

- The river begins near Piska/Nagri, in close proximity to Ranchi, Jharkhand.
- The term ‘Subarnarekha’ translates to “Streak of Gold,” a reference to the historical gold mining activities at its source.

**States it traverses: Jharkhand, West Bengal, and Odisha.**

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## Tributaries of Subarnarekha

- Kharkai (merges at Jamshedpur), Kanchi, Roro, Harmu Nadi, Dulunga, Karru, Karakari, Singaduba, Kodia, and Dhamra.
- It constitutes an independent river system and is not a tributary of any larger river.

**Mouth of River:** The river discharges into the Bay of Bengal near Talsari, Odisha.

## Features of the River:

- **Length:** 395 km.
- **Drainage area:** 18,951 sq. km — relatively small among multi-state Indian river basins.
- **Hundru Falls:** A renowned waterfall along its path in Jharkhand, descends from a height of 98 metres.
- **Course:** Following its origin in Jharkhand, the river flows through Paschim Medinipur (West Bengal) and Balasore (Odisha) before reaching the ocean.<sup>1</sup>

**Cultural Significance:** Recognized for the presence of gold traces in the sands of its riverbed.

## About Chandil Dam:

### What it is?

- A multi-purpose dam celebrated for its role in tourism and irrigation, constructed across the Subarnarekha River.



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**Located in:** Chandil, Seraikela Kharsawan district, Jharkhand.

**Located on River:** Situated on the Subarnarekha River, near its junction with the Karkori River (which originates from Hundru Falls).

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