## For 08Aug2023 Weekly Meet SGP – Swaraj Gyan Panchayat

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## Some Foundational Ideas

- Exploration of the knowledge basis for a new political imagination, which is emancipatory for all - living and nonliving. Lokavidya constitutes the point of departure.
- Swaraj is an idea and practice of the Indian sub-continent, which facilitates autonomy and organization at all levels from the individual to the world through social formations (गाँव, समुदाय, समाज), the nation (राष्ट्र), the larger society (बृहत् समाज) and nature (प्रकृति, निसर्ग).
- 3. A gyan panchayat is an egalitarian, participatory, collective, deliberative, dialogical process to stabilize ideas in the world of knowledge.
- 4. Processes that provide the immediate context for Swaraj Gyan Panchayat need to be identified. Some examples are Farmers' Movement, Youth Movement, Environmental Campaigns, Movement of Jal-Jangal-Zameen and Food Sovereignty.
- Cluster of ideas that tend to shape the ideological orientation of SGP may be listed as लोकविद्या, बौद्धिक सत्याग्रह, ज्ञान पंचायत, स्वायत्त समाज, स्वराज चेतना, कला दृष्टि, सन्त दर्शन.