



### 3 Awards for Indians at Cannes Film Festival

• In Cannes, France, a European country, a film festival is held every year. The 77th ceremony of this has been completed.

### Three categories

- Eight Indian or India-related films participated in it. Out of which, Indians won awards in three categories.
- 1. Payal Kapadia's All We Imagine Is Lights won the second highest award, the Grand Prix. She also became the first woman director to win an award at the Cannes Film Festival.
- Shaji Karunin won an award at the Cannes Film Festival, 1994 for the movie Swaham.
- 2. "Sunflowers Were the First Ones to Know" directed by Sidhananda Naik won the La Cinef Award.
- 3. Anusuya Sengupta won the Best Actress Award for the movie "The Shameless".

# **Treaty by World Intellectual Property Organisation**

- The World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) has finalized a new agreement to protect genetic resources and traditional knowledge.
- Genetic resources such as medicinal plants, agricultural crops, fauna cannot be protected as intellectual property.
- But discoveries made through those resources can be protected as intellectual property through copyrights.
- A conference attended by 192 countries was held at the headquarters of the World Intellectual Property Organization in Geneva, Switzerland.

#### **Relation with Traditional Knowledge**

- Some genetic resources have been traditionally associated with local and indigenous peoples using and preserving them for generations.
- This knowledge is sometimes used in scientific research. And that knowledge can contribute to protected development of inventions.

#### Role of India

- India is a hub of biodiversity with immense traditional knowledge and wisdom.
- In this case, India played an important role in finalizing the agreement at the conference.

## History created by Deepa Karmakar with gold in Asian gymnastics

• Star gymnast Deepa Karmakar has become the first Indian to win a gold medal at the Asian Senior Gymnastics Championships.