

'Nuakhai'

- 1 Nuakhai, as the name suggests that nua means new and khai means food. So, the festival of Nuakhai is a festival to celebrate newly harvested food by the farmers.
- 2 One day after the celebration of Ganesh Chaturthi it is celebrated especially in the Western part of Odisha.
- 3 Nuakhai Festival gives the present society a great ~~msg of the~~ message of the relevance of agriculture in the economic progress of the ~~the~~ country and the role of farmers in the process of nation building in those days and also in the present days.
- 4 ~~The~~ Nuakhai celebration starts with the preparation for the festival almost two weeks before the festival.

5 Nuakhai is understood to have nine colours and as a consequence nine sets of rituals are followed as a prelude to the actual day of celebration starting from Beharuna to Nuakhai and all culminating Juhari Bhet.