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National Commodity & Derivatives Exchange:

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• NCDEX is an online commodity exchange based in India.

• It provides a commodity exchange platform for market participants to trade in commodity derivatives.

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• It is a public limited company, incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 and is regulated by the SEBI.

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 \bullet It offers futures trading in 31 agricultural and non-agricultural commodities. $\ensuremath{\backslash n}$

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Exocomet:

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 \bullet An exocomet or extrasolar comet is a comet outside the Solar System i.e those that orbit stars other than the Sun. $\mbox{\sc h}_n$

• They are significant because they are considered fossil bodies that have seen the physical and chemical conditions prevailing at the time of planet formation.

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Rogue Planet:

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• A rogue planet or starless planet is a planetary-mass object that orbits the

galaxy directly.

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 \bullet They have either been ejected from the planetary system in which they formed or have never been gravitationally bound to any star or brown dwarf. \n

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Babur - 3:

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• Pakistan launched a Submarine Launched Cruise Missile (SLCM), Babur-3, having a range of 450 kilometers.

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• It is fired from an underwater, mobile platform and hit its target with precise accuracy.

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• It completes Pakistan's nuclear triad i.e a nuclear-armed nation's ability to deliver nuclear warheads from launch systems based on land, in the air and from sea.

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