



CURRENT AFFAIRS



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Persistent mindlessness (The Hindu, GS-3, Internal security)

Context:- deaths of over 20 paramilitary personnel in an encounter in sukma distt in Chhattisgarh.

- History:-
 - Maoist insurrection -> began first as the Naxalite movement in the 1970s
 - intensified since 2004
 - mindless guerrilla-driven militant movement.
- Why Maoist movement:
 - The Backbone of this movement is theoretically lies in social injustice, lack of fruit of development to the grass root people, administration apathy, local level politician's nexus with maosit, Political exclusion and exploitation of resources.
- Why it is still continues:
 - Illegal mining by the Maoist.
 - Drug and arms trafficking etc.
- How to solve

- More people's inclusion in development process
- making information, vigilance more rigid.
- choke the funding of Maoist
- curb the urban Naxalism movement.

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The pillars of an equitable post-COVID India (The Hindu, GS-3, Economy)

Context:- According to Pew Research Report:- India's middle class may have shrunk by a third.

- Situation may actually be worse than estimated because of worsening inequalities.
- Other organizations are also warned about about such rising inequalities.
- in the pre-covid-> Indian economy was slowing down, so already India had higher inequalities.
 - Compounding existing problems of unemployment
 - low incomes
 - rural distress
 - malnutrition
 - widespread inequality
- Vulnerability of unorganized sector due to shocks.

What should be the way forward:-

- Focus on employment and wages
- raising human development

- quasi universal basic income and other social safety nets which decrease the vulnerability of human being.

Focus on employment and wages

- creation of quality and productive employment is basic to the inclusive growth approach.
- Investment in infrastructure including construction will create employment thereby reducing the inequality.
- seven challenges in employment:
 - correcting the mismatch between demand and supply of labour
 - Structural change challenge
 - labour-intensive exports.
 - focusing on MSME and informal sectors including rights of migrants.
 - Social security and decent working conditions for all

raising human development

- Increasing public expenditure on health
- Education and health achievements are essential for reducing inequality of opportunities.

quasi universal basic income

Way forward:–

- find opportunities + spaces -> which will facilitate that power can be challenged and redistributed.
- qualitative sustainable economic growth and the well-being of the population.

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Joint logistics Node

(GS PAPER- 3, Security Challenges and their Management

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Context

- To boost tri-service integration and resource Optimisation the chief of Defence staff operationalised a third joint logistics node in Mumbai
- Government sanction letter for the establishment of joint Logistic node in Mumbai, Guwahati and Port Blair was signed on October 12th 2020
- The joint Logistic node in Guwahati and tri-service Andaman and Nicobar Command was operationalised on January 1 2021

About joint logistics node

The nodes are part of the steps toward integrating the three services to ensure increased coordination in tri-service with effectiveness and integration of overall combat capabilities of Indian armed forces the launch of joint structures to deal with Logistical Issues in the three services that already started

Three important elements of joint logistics node

- The joint logistics command and control centre
- The tri-services detachment at the material organisation
- The tri-services advancement detachment

Significance

- Improve utilisation of resources manpower and remove duplication
- It has given the Indian defence forces a much-needed advantage against their adversaries particularly those using the sea route from Pakistan

– Khyati Khare

Plutus IAS