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1. INDIA'S GREEN TRANSFORMATION



What is Green Transformation?

- I. Green Transformation refers to the transition towards:
 - A. Low-carbon development.
 - B. Sustainable resource use.
 - C. Clean energy systems.
 - D. Climate-resilient economic growth.
- II. It seeks to:
 - A. Reduce environmental degradation.
 - B. Improve energy security.
 - C. Promote sustainable livelihoods.

KEY PILLARS OF INDIA'S GREEN TRANSFORMATION

Renewable Energy Expansion

National Solar Mission

- Promotes large-scale solar energy deployment.

India is rapidly expanding:

- Solar energy

- Wind energy
- Hydropower
- Bioenergy

Green Hydrogen Economy

National Green Hydrogen Mission

- I. Aims to make India a global hub for:
 - A. Green hydrogen production.
 - B. Export of clean fuels.

Importance

- I. Decarbonization of:
 - A. Industry
 - B. Transport
 - C. Energy sectors

Electric Mobility

PM E-DRIVE Scheme

- I. Supports adoption of:
 - A. Electric vehicles (EVs)
 - B. Charging infrastructure

Benefits:

- Reduced fossil fuel dependence.
- Lower emissions.

Energy Efficiency

Bureau of Energy Efficiency

Key initiatives:

- Energy-efficient appliances.
- Industrial energy conservation.
- Building energy efficiency.

Sustainable Lifestyles

Mission LiFE

Lifestyle for Environment (LiFE) promotes:

- Sustainable consumption.
- Resource conservation.
- Environment-friendly behavioural changes.

INDIA'S CLIMATE COMMITMENTS

Panchamrit Commitments

Announced at:

COP26

Key goals include:

- Expansion of non-fossil fuel energy capacity.
- Reduction in carbon intensity.
- Progress toward net-zero emissions by 2070.

BENEFITS OF GREEN TRANSFORMATION

Environmental Benefits

- Reduced greenhouse gas emissions.
- Improved air quality.

Energy Security

- Reduced dependence on imported fossil fuels.

Economic Growth

- New industries and green jobs.

Innovation

- Boosts clean technology development.

Global Leadership

- Strengthens India's role in climate governance.

CHALLENGES

- Financing green infrastructure.
- Grid integration of renewable energy.
- Technology gaps in some sectors.
- Managing transition costs.
- Ensuring a just and inclusive transition.

WAY FORWARD

- I. Accelerate:
 - A. Renewable energy deployment.
- II. Strengthen:
 - A. Green financing mechanisms.
- III. Expand:
 - A. EV infrastructure and battery ecosystems.
- IV. Promote:
 - A. Research and innovation in clean technologies.
- V. Encourage:
 - A. Community participation and sustainable lifestyles.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- **Theme:** Green Transformation.
- **Objective:** Sustainable and low-carbon growth.
- **Key Drivers:** Renewable energy, EVs, green hydrogen, energy efficiency.
- **Major Mission:** National Green Hydrogen Mission.
- **Behavioural Initiative:** Mission LiFE.
- **Climate Goal:** Net-zero emissions by 2070.
- **Vision:** Viksit Bharat with environmental sustainability.

2. The National Green Hydrogen Mission aims to support the production and use of green hydrogen.
3. India has announced a net-zero emissions target for 2070.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

Answer: (d)

PRELIMS BOOSTER BOX

- **National Solar Mission:** Promotes solar energy deployment.
- **National Green Hydrogen Mission:** Green hydrogen production and exports.
- **Mission LiFE:** Lifestyle for Environment.
- **Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE):** Promotes energy conservation.
- **PM E-DRIVE:** Supports electric mobility.
- **COP26:** Glasgow Climate Conference (2021).
- **Net Zero Target:** India aims to achieve net-zero emissions by 2070.

2.APEDA FACILITATES FIRST-EVER SEA SHIPMENT OF BOTANICAL-INFUSED MILLET FUNCTIONAL FOODS FROM KARNATAKA TO NEW ZEALAND



Key Highlights

- I. First sea shipment of botanical-infused millet functional foods exported from Karnataka.
- II. Facilitated by APEDA.
- III. Destination: New Zealand.
- IV. Demonstrates growing international demand for:
 - A. Nutritious foods.
 - B. Functional foods.

PadhAI-GENERATED UPSC MCQ

Consider the following statements:

1. Mission LiFE promotes sustainable lifestyles and responsible consumption.

- C. Millet-based products.

Objectives

- I. Promote:
 - A. Millet exports.
- II. Enhance:
 - A. Value addition in agriculture.
- III. Expand:
 - A. Market access for Indian agri-products.
- IV. Support:
 - A. Farmers and food processing industries.

BACKGROUND / CONTEXT

What are Functional Foods?

Functional Foods

- I. Foods that offer:
 - A. Additional health benefits beyond essential nutrition.
- II. May help improve:
 - A. Digestive health.
 - B. Immunity.
 - C. Overall well-being.

What are Botanical-Infused Foods?

- I. Food products enriched with:
 - A. Plant extracts.
 - B. Herbs.
 - C. Natural bioactive ingredients.
- II. Designed to provide:
 - A. Enhanced nutritional and wellness benefits.

Millets

Millets

Major millets include:

- Bajra (Pearl Millet)
- Jowar (Sorghum)
- Ragi (Finger Millet)

Advantages

- I. Climate-resilient crops.
- II. Low water requirement.
- III. Rich in:
 - A. Fibre
 - B. Minerals
 - C. Micronutrients

ABOUT APEDA

Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority

Established Under

APEDA Act, 1985

Ministry

- Functions under the:

Ministry of Commerce & Industry

Functions

- Promotion of agricultural exports.
- Market development.
- Export infrastructure support.
- Quality certification and branding.

SIGNIFICANCE

Boost to Millet Exports

- Expands global markets for Indian millet products.

Value Addition

- Encourages processing and innovation in agriculture.

Farmer Income Enhancement

- Creates higher-value export opportunities.

Nutrition and Health

- Promotes healthy and sustainable food systems.

Global Millet Leadership

- Reinforces India's position as a leading millet producer.

RELATED INITIATIVES

International Year of Millets 2023

- Proposed by India and endorsed by the UN.

Millet Promotion Initiatives

- I. Focus on:
 - A. Production.
 - B. Consumption.
 - C. Export promotion.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- **Facilitating Agency:** APEDA.
- **Product:** Botanical-infused millet functional foods.
- **Origin:** Karnataka.
- **Destination:** New Zealand.
- **Mode:** Sea shipment.
- **Importance:** Value-added agricultural exports.
- **Sector:** Millets and functional foods.

PRELIMS BOOSTER BOX

- **APEDA:** Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority.
- **Established Under:** APEDA Act, 1985.
- **Ministry:** Ministry of Commerce & Industry.
- **Functional Foods:** Foods with health benefits beyond basic nutrition.
- **Millets:** Nutri-cereals rich in fibre and micronutrients.
- **International Year of Millets:** 2023.
- **Significance:** Export diversification and value addition in agriculture.

PadhAI-GENERATED UPSC MCQ

Consider the following statements:

1. APEDA functions under the Ministry of Commerce & Industry.
2. Functional foods provide health benefits beyond basic nutritional value.

3. Millets are generally climate-resilient crops with relatively low water requirements.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

Answer: (d)

3.IICA TO HOST NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON A DECADE OF INSOLVENCY REFORMS AND FUTURE OF INDIA'S RESTRUCTURING ECOSYSTEM



Key Highlights

- I. Conference organized by IICA.
- II. Focus on:
 - A. Ten years of insolvency reforms.
 - B. Evolution of the restructuring ecosystem.
 - C. Emerging challenges and opportunities.
 - D. Strengthening corporate insolvency resolution.

Objectives

- I. Assess:
 - A. Impact of insolvency reforms.
- II. Improve:
 - A. Resolution processes and outcomes.
- III. Promote:
 - A. Efficient credit markets.
- IV. Strengthen:
 - A. Ease of doing business and investor confidence.

BACKGROUND / CONTEXT

Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA)

Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs

- Autonomous institution under the:

Ministry of Corporate Affairs

Functions

- Corporate governance research.
- Capacity building.
- Policy support.
- Corporate law and insolvency studies.

INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY CODE (IBC), 2016

Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016

Purpose

- I. Consolidated insolvency laws into a single framework.

- II. Provides a time-bound process for:
 - A. Insolvency resolution.
 - B. Bankruptcy proceedings.

Key Objectives of IBC

- Maximize value of assets.
- Promote entrepreneurship.
- Improve availability of credit.
- Balance the interests of stakeholders.
- Facilitate time-bound resolution.

INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK UNDER IBC

Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI)

- Regulatory authority overseeing implementation of IBC.

National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT)

- Adjudicating authority for corporate insolvency matters.

Insolvency Professionals (IPs)

- Manage insolvency resolution processes.

Committee of Creditors (CoC)

- Composed mainly of financial creditors.
- Plays a key role in approving resolution plans.

SIGNIFICANCE OF INSOLVENCY REFORMS

Improved Credit Culture

- Encourages timely repayment and financial discipline.

Ease of Doing Business

- Enhances investor confidence.

Asset Value Preservation

- Facilitates timely resolution of distressed assets.

Financial Sector Stability

- Supports healthier banking and credit systems.

CHALLENGES

- Delays in resolution processes.
- Capacity constraints in tribunals.
- Large caseloads before NCLTs.
- Complex litigation and appeals.
- Need for stronger cross-border insolvency mechanisms.

WAY FORWARD

- I. Strengthen:
 - A. Institutional capacity of NCLTs.
- II. Reduce:
 - A. Procedural delays.
- III. Improve:
 - A. Recovery rates and resolution efficiency.
- IV. Adopt:

- A. Modern restructuring practices.
- V. Advance:
 - A. Cross-border insolvency frameworks.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- **Organizer:** IICA.
- **Theme:** Decade of Insolvency Reforms.
- **Key Law:** Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.
- **Regulator:** IBBI.
- **Adjudicating Authority:** NCLT.
- **Focus:** Corporate restructuring and insolvency resolution.
- **Importance:** Credit discipline and economic growth.

PRELIMS BOOSTER BOX

- **IBC:** Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.
- **Regulator:** Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI).
- **Tribunal:** National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT).
- **Objective:** Time-bound insolvency resolution.
- **Key Stakeholders:** Creditors, debtors, insolvency professionals.
- **Institution:** Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA).
- **Importance:** Strengthening India's credit and business ecosystem.

PadhAI-GENERATED UPSC MCQ

Consider the following statements regarding the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC), 2016:

1. The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) is the regulatory authority under the IBC framework.
2. The National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) serves as the adjudicating authority for corporate insolvency cases.
3. One of the objectives of the IBC is the maximization of value of distressed assets.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

Answer: (d)

4.INDIA & ZIMBABWE REAFFIRM COMMITMENT TO DEEPEN BILATERAL DEFENCE COOPERATION DURING INAUGURAL JDC MEETING



Key Highlights

- I. First-ever Joint Defence Cooperation (JDC) Meeting held between India and Zimbabwe.
- II. Both sides agreed to deepen defence engagement.
- III. Discussions covered:
 - A. Military training
 - B. Defence technology cooperation
 - C. Institutional exchanges
 - D. Peace and security cooperation

Objectives

- I. Strengthen:
 - A. Bilateral defence ties.
- II. Enhance:
 - A. Capacity building and training.
- III. Promote:
 - A. Defence-industrial cooperation.
- IV. Expand:
 - A. Strategic engagement with Africa.

BACKGROUND / CONTEXT

India–Zimbabwe Relations

India – Zimbabwe Relations

- I. Relations are based on:
 - A. Historical solidarity during anti-colonial struggles.
 - B. South-South cooperation.
 - C. Development partnership.
- II. Areas of cooperation include:
 - A. Trade
 - B. Agriculture
 - C. Capacity building
 - D. Education
 - E. Healthcare

Defence Diplomacy

Defence Diplomacy

- I. Includes:
 - A. Joint exercises
 - B. Military training
 - C. Defence dialogues
 - D. Technology cooperation
- II. Helps strengthen:
 - A. Strategic partnerships.
 - B. Regional stability.

INDIA'S ENGAGEMENT WITH AFRICA

Importance of Africa

Africa

- I. Strategic region for:
 - A. Trade.
 - B. Energy security.
 - C. Maritime cooperation.

D. Global diplomacy.

India's Approach

- Capacity building.
- Human resource development.
- Development assistance.
- Defence cooperation.

SIGNIFICANCE

Strategic Partnership

- Deepens India–Zimbabwe bilateral relations.

Capacity Building

- Supports professional military training and skill enhancement.

Defence Exports

- Creates opportunities for indigenous defence products.

Africa Outreach

- Strengthens India's engagement with African nations.

South–South Cooperation

- Reinforces cooperation among developing countries.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- **Countries:** India and Zimbabwe.
- **Event:** Inaugural Joint Defence Cooperation (JDC) Meeting.

- **Focus Areas:** Training, capacity building, defence cooperation.
- **Region:** Africa.
- **Strategic Importance:** Defence diplomacy and Africa outreach.
- **Potential Benefit:** Defence–industrial collaboration.
- **Theme:** Strengthening bilateral security partnership.

PRELIMS BOOSTER BOX

- **JDC:** Joint Defence Cooperation Meeting.
- **Partner Country:** Zimbabwe.
- **Focus:** Defence training and military cooperation.
- **Concept:** Defence Diplomacy.
- **India's Africa Policy:** Capacity building and development partnership.
- **Significance:** Strategic engagement with Africa.
- **Potential Area:** Defence exports and technology cooperation.

PadhAI–GENERATED UPSC MCQ

Consider the following statements:

1. Defence diplomacy includes military training, defence dialogues, and strategic cooperation between countries.
2. Zimbabwe is located in Africa.
3. Capacity building is an important component of India's engagement with African countries.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

Answer: (d)

5. MY Bharat Receives Guinness World Records Recognition for Largest Participation in an Online Quiz Within One Week



Key Highlights

- I. MY Bharat secured a Guinness World Record.
- II. Record category:
 - A. Largest participation in an online quiz within one week.
- III. Demonstrates:
 - A. Massive youth engagement.
 - B. Digital outreach capabilities.
 - C. Participation-driven governance initiatives.

Objectives Behind the Initiative

- I. Encourage:
 - A. Youth participation.
- II. Promote:
 - A. Civic awareness and knowledge.
- III. Strengthen:

- A. Nation-building efforts through youth engagement.

IV. Leverage:

- A. Digital platforms for mass outreach.

ABOUT MY BHARAT

Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat)

- I. Launched as a dedicated platform for:
 - A. Youth development.
 - B. Volunteerism.
 - C. Civic engagement.

Vision

- I. To create:
 - A. Empowered, inspired, and engaged youth.

Focus Areas

- Leadership development.
- Community service.
- Skill enhancement.
- Nation-building activities.

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ACHIEVEMENT

Youth Empowerment

- Encourages active participation of young citizens.

Digital Governance

- Demonstrates the effectiveness of digital platforms for public engagement.

Social Capital

- Builds a culture of volunteerism and civic responsibility.

Demographic Dividend

- Harnesses the potential of India's large youth population.

GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS

Guinness World Records

- I. International authority that:
 - A. Verifies and recognizes world records across diverse categories.
- II. Recognition requires:
 - A. Independent verification.
 - B. Compliance with predefined standards.

IMPORTANCE OF YOUTH IN NATION BUILDING

Human Capital

- I. Youth contribute to:
 - A. Innovation.
 - B. Entrepreneurship.
 - C. Economic growth.

Social Transformation

- I. Promote:
 - A. Community development.
 - B. Social awareness.

Democratic Participation

- I. Encourages:
 - A. Responsible citizenship.
 - B. Civic engagement.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- **Organization:** MY Bharat.
- **Full Form:** Mera Yuva Bharat.
- **Achievement:** Guinness World Record.
- **Category:** Largest participation in an online quiz within one week.
- **Focus:** Youth engagement and nation building.
- **Approach:** Digital participation platform.
- **Significance:** Harnessing India's demographic dividend.

PRELIMS BOOSTER BOX

- **MY Bharat:** Mera Yuva Bharat.
- **Target Group:** Youth of India.
- **Focus Areas:** Volunteerism, leadership, civic participation.
- **Achievement:** Guinness World Record for online quiz participation.
- **Guinness World Records:** Global record certification body.
- **Importance:** Youth empowerment and digital engagement.
- **Theme:** Participatory nation-building.

PadhAI-GENERATED UPSC MCQ

Consider the following statements:

1. MY Bharat stands for Mera Yuva Bharat.
2. MY Bharat focuses on youth engagement, volunteerism, and leadership development.
3. Guinness World Records is an international organization that verifies and certifies world records.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

Answer: (d)