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◆ 1. Global Geopolitical Tensions (Europe–US Rift & West Asia Peace Moves)

A. Core Idea

European countries are distancing from US military actions, while China-Pakistan proposed a peace plan for West Asia.

B. Why in News

Europe restricted US-Israel military operations amid Iran conflict.

C. Key Facts & Figures

- NATO = Military alliance of 30+ countries
- Strait of Hormuz = ~20% of global oil passes
- UN Charter Article 2(4) = Prohibits use of force
- Sigonella Air Base = Located in Italy

D. Important Terms

- **Strategic Autonomy** – Independent foreign policy decision
- **International Law** – Rules governing relations between countries
- **Strait of Hormuz** – Key oil transport route
- **Host Nation Support** – Right to restrict foreign military use

World chokepoints for oil movements



E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- NATO
- United Nations (UN)
- European Union (EU)

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- UN Charter (1945) – Maintains global peace

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- France denied weapons transit to Israel
- Spain closed airspace for US operations
- Italy restricted use of Sigonella base
- China-Pakistan proposed 5-point peace plan
- Strait of Hormuz is a major oil chokepoint
- UN Charter restricts use of force
- Lebanon conflict expanding regionally

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Location-based: Strait of Hormuz
- Statement-based: UN Charter provisions
- Match: Country vs Action (France/Spain/Italy)
- One-liner: NATO purpose

◆ **2. Artemis II Mission (NASA Lunar Mission)**

A. Core Idea

Artemis II is NASA's mission to send humans near the Moon after 50+ years.

B. Why in News

NASA preparing for first crewed lunar mission since 1972.

C. Key Facts & Figures

- Duration: ~10 days
- Last similar mission: Apollo (1972)
- Heat shield temp: ~2800°C
- Crew: 4 astronauts

D. Important Terms

- **SLS (Space Launch System)** – Heavy rocket of NASA
- **Orion Spacecraft** – Crew capsule for deep space
- **Free-return trajectory** – Path returning to Earth using gravity
- **Cryogenic fuel** – Fuel stored at very low temperature

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- NASA
- European Space Agency (ESA)

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

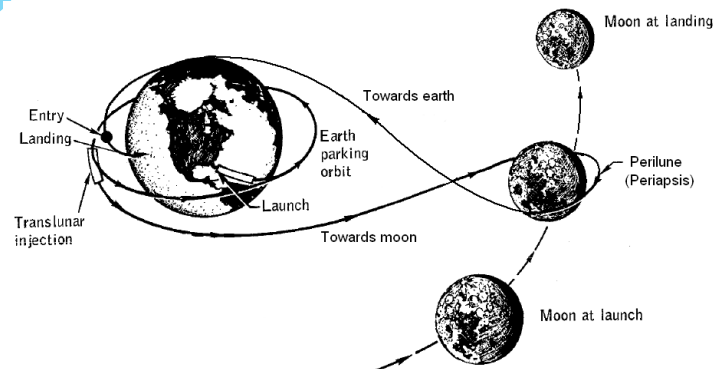
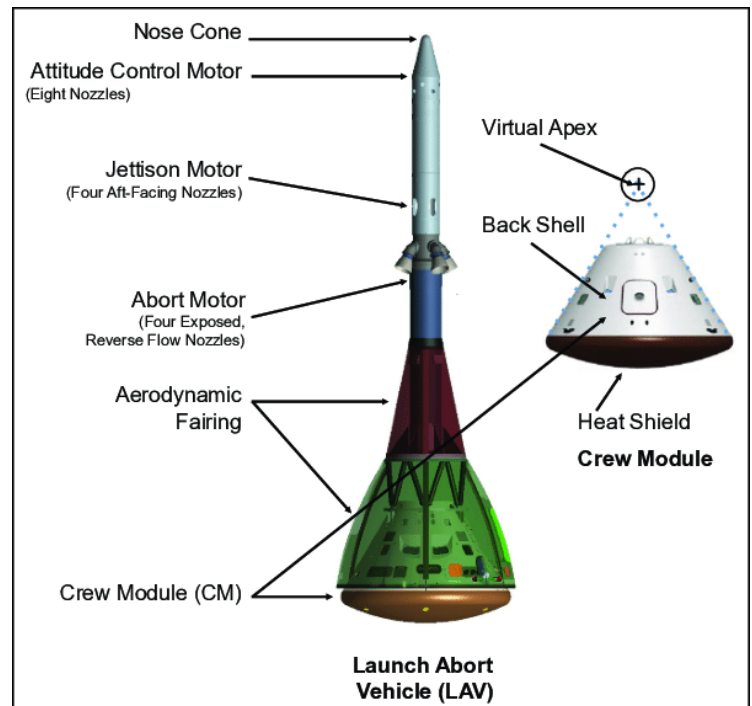
- Artemis Program – Human Moon exploration program

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- First crewed lunar mission after Apollo
- Uses SLS rocket
- Orion spacecraft carries astronauts
- Uses free-return trajectory
- Heat shield withstands extreme temperature
- Includes first woman and non-US astronaut
- ESA supports service module

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Match: SLS – Rocket / Orion – Capsule
- One-liner: Artemis mission objective
- Statement-based: Features of mission
- Previous year link: Apollo missions



◆ 3. Anaesthetised Democracy (Global Conflict Ethics)

A. Core Idea

Modern democracies are becoming insensitive to war and violence.

B. Why in News

Debate on public silence despite global conflicts.

C. Key Facts & Figures

- Conflicts: Ukraine, Iran, Sudan, Yemen
- Rise of drone warfare and infrastructure attacks

D. Important Terms

- **Anaesthetised Democracy** – Public becomes indifferent to war
- **Asymmetric Warfare** – Unequal military conflict
- **Disinformation** – Spread of misleading information
- **Strategic Catastrophism** – Destroying stability for goals

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- Media platforms
- Governments
- International bodies

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- No specific act (concept-based topic)

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- Modern wars target civilian infrastructure
- Use of drones increasing
- Media shapes public perception
- Global conflicts are interconnected
- Democracies showing reduced public reaction
- Information overload causes confusion



H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Definition-based: Asymmetric warfare
- Statement-based: Features of modern warfare
- One-liner: Meaning of disinformation

4. India's Neighborhood Policy (Trade-Based Approach)

A. Core Idea

India is shifting from political support to trade-based relations with neighbors.

B. Why in News

New governments in neighboring countries changing relations with India.

C. Key Facts & Figures

- Countries: Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka
- India has trade surplus with neighbors
- Border with Bangladesh: ~4000 km

D. Important Terms

- **Trade Surplus** – Exports > Imports
- **Non-Tariff Barriers** – Restrictions other than tax
- **Neighborhood First Policy** – Priority to neighbors
- **Clientelism** – Dependency-based relations

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- Government of India
- SAARC

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

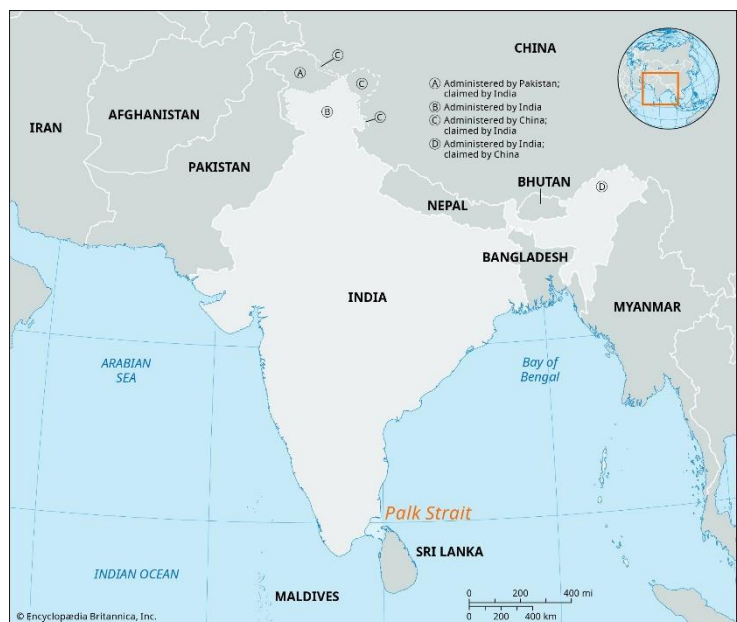
- Neighborhood First Policy – Improve regional relations

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- India has trade surplus with neighbors
- Focus shifting to economic cooperation
- Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka key partners
- Non-tariff barriers affect trade
- Connectivity projects are important
- SAARC role limited

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Match: Country – Trade relation
- One-liner: Neighborhood First Policy
- Statement-based: Trade surplus concept
- Map-based: India's neighbors



◈ 5. West Asia Crisis (Operation Epic Fury)

A. Core Idea

A major US-Israel military operation against Iran has led to large-scale conflict affecting global oil supply.

B. Why in News

Operation Epic Fury launched against Iran, increasing tensions in West Asia.

C. Key Facts & Figures

- Operation start: 28 Feb 2026
- Strait of Hormuz: ~30% global oil passes
- Iran leadership shift: Mojtaba Khamenei
- Key system: Patriot & THAAD missiles

D. Important Terms

- **War of Attrition** – Long war to weaken enemy
- **Political Shiism** – Religious-based resistance ideology
- **Chokepoint** – Narrow route controlling trade
- **Strait of Hormuz** – Key oil transport route

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- USA
- Israel
- Iran
- NATO

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

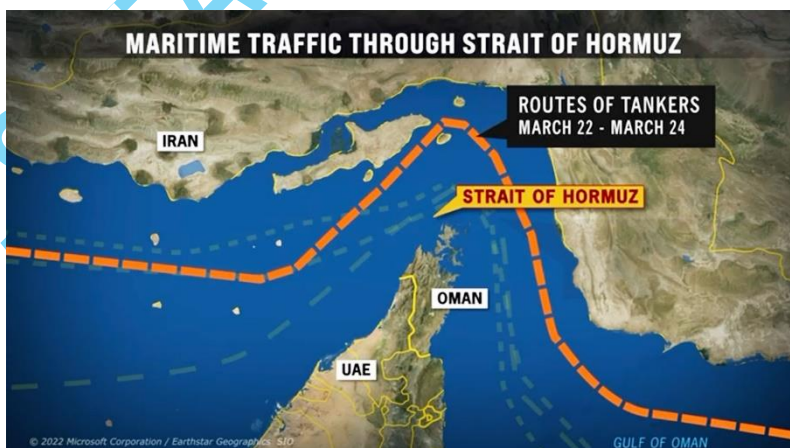
- No specific act (international conflict)

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- Strait of Hormuz is most critical oil route
- Conflict affecting global energy supply
- NATO showing internal divisions
- Iran using blockade strategy
- Risk of global war escalation
- Bushehr nuclear plant is in Iran

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Map-based: Strait of Hormuz
- Statement-based: Features of chokepoints
- One-liner: Operation Epic Fury
- Match: Country vs role



◈ 6. 16th Finance Commission (Disaster Risk Index Issue)

A. Core Idea

The 16th Finance Commission changed how disaster funds are calculated using a new risk formula.

B. Why in News

New Disaster Risk Index led to funding changes among states.

C. Key Facts & Figures

- Formula: Risk = Hazard × Exposure × Vulnerability
- Total fund: ₹2,04,401 crore (2026–31)
- SDRF: 80%, SDMF: 20%
- Odisha hazard score: 12

D. Important Terms

- **Disaster Risk Index (DRI)** – Measures disaster risk
- **Exposure** – Population at risk
- **Vulnerability** – Weakness to disaster impact
- **NSDP** – State income indicator

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- Finance Commission
- NDMA (National Disaster Management Authority)

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

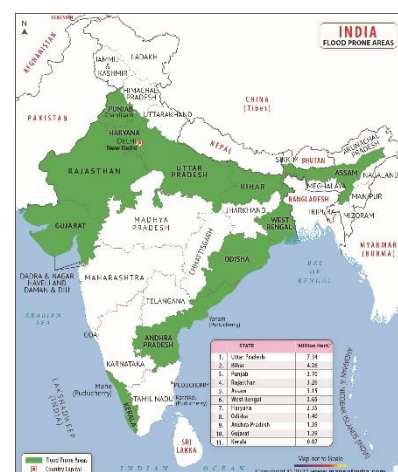
- Finance Commission (Article 280) – Allocates funds

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- New formula is multiplicative
- Odisha highly disaster-prone
- Population used as exposure measure
- Coastal states affected more
- SDRF & SDMF are disaster funds
- NDMA handles disaster policy

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Formula-based: DRI components
- Statement-based: SDRF vs SDMF
- One-liner: Finance Commission role
- Match: Institution vs function



◈ 7. Indian Economy under Geopolitical Stress

A. Core Idea

India's economy is strong internally but affected by global oil prices and currency fall.

B. Why in News

Rupee fall and rising crude oil prices impacting economy.

C. Key Facts & Figures

- GDP growth: ~8.1%
- Rupee: ₹95 per dollar (approx.)
- Forex reserves: \$709.76 billion
- Oil price: ~\$156/barrel
- Oil import: 85–87%

D. Important Terms

- **Fiscal Deficit** – Gap between income & spending
- **Current Account Deficit (CAD)** – Import > Export
- **Capex** – Government investment in infrastructure
- **Real Wages** – Income adjusted for inflation

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- RBI
- Ministry of Finance

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- GST System – Indirect tax system

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- India depends heavily on oil imports
- Oil price rise increases inflation
- Rupee depreciation impacts imports
- GST is major revenue source
- Household debt increasing
- Consumption forms ~60% GDP

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Definition-based: CAD, Capex
- Statement-based: Impact of oil prices
- One-liner: Forex reserves meaning
- Match: Indicator vs definition

SIP Fund.com

What are the impacts of Fuel Inflation ?



◇ 8. India's COVID-19 Response (Retrospective)

A. Core Idea

India's COVID-19 response faced issues in healthcare, data reporting, and migrant management.

B. Why in News

Review of pandemic response after six years.

C. Key Facts & Figures

- Lockdown notice: ~4 hours
- PSA plants installed: 38 (vs target 500)
- Death increase (2021): 25.9%
- Registered deaths: ~1.02 crore

D. Important Terms

- **Excess Mortality** – Deaths above normal levels
- **PSA Oxygen Plant** – Oxygen generation system
- **UHC** – Healthcare access for all
- **Lockdown** – Movement restriction

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- Ministry of Health
- Indian Railways
- Registrar General of India

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897
- Disaster Management Act, 2005

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- Sudden lockdown triggered migrant crisis
- Oxygen shortage major issue
- PSA plants important for hospitals
- Excess mortality indicates real impact
- ASHA workers played key role
- Data mismatch in deaths reported

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Match: Act vs purpose
- One-liner: PSA plant function
- Statement-based: COVID response features
- Definition-based: Excess mortality

◆ 9. Supreme Court on Human Trafficking (SOP Guidelines)

A. Core Idea

Supreme Court directed creation of practical SOPs for quick action in human trafficking cases.

B. Why in News

SC ordered time-bound procedures for missing and trafficking cases.

C. Key Facts & Figures

- Article 23 – Prohibits human trafficking
- IPC Sections: 370 & 370A
- Focus: Immediate police response

D. Important Terms

- **Human Trafficking** – Illegal trade of humans for exploitation
- **SOP** – Step-by-step procedure
- **Golden Hour** – Critical early time for action
- **Missing Case Doctrine** – Case remains active until solved

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- Supreme Court of India
- Ministry of Home Affairs
- State Police / DGP

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

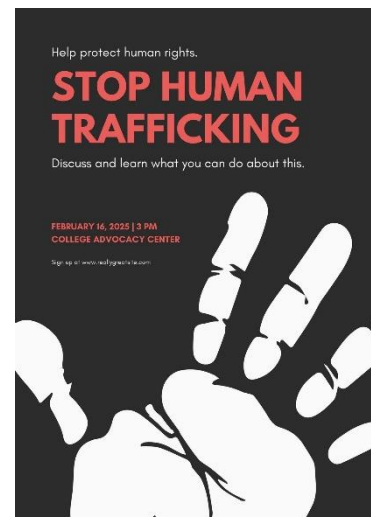
- IPC Section 370 – Punishment for trafficking
- Article 23 – Fundamental Right

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- SC emphasized immediate police action
- Missing cases cannot be closed easily
- SOP must work at police station level
- Human trafficking is a punishable offence
- Article 23 prohibits forced labour
- Centre & States must coordinate

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Article-based: Article 23
- Statement-based: Features of SOP
- One-liner: IPC Section 370
- Match: Institution vs role



◆ 10. India's Semiconductor Mission (Sanand Facility)

A. Core Idea

India is developing semiconductor manufacturing to reduce import dependence.

B. Why in News

New semiconductor plant inaugurated in Sanand, Gujarat.

C. Key Facts & Figures

- Investment: ₹3,300 crore
- Market target: \$100 billion by 2030
- Current size: ~₹4.5 lakh crore

D. Important Terms

- **Semiconductor** – Material used in electronic chips
- **ATMP** – Assembly, Testing, Marking, Packaging
- **Fabless Design** – Chip design without manufacturing
- **Techade** – Technology-driven decade

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

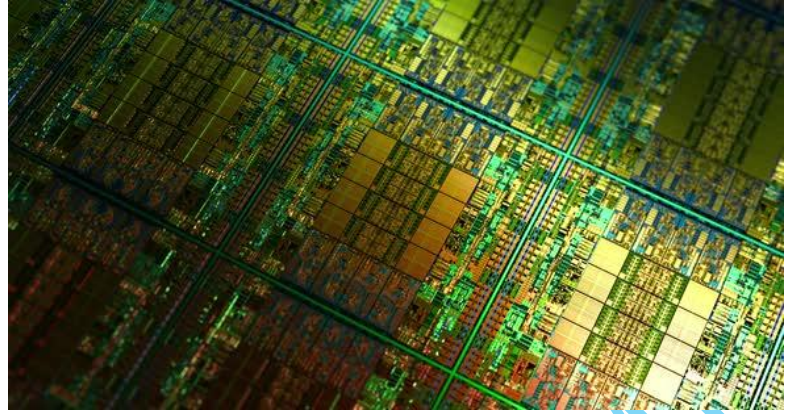
- India Semiconductor Mission (ISM)
- Digital India Corporation

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- ISM (2021) – Develop semiconductor ecosystem

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- Sanand is emerging semiconductor hub
- Chips used in electronics & defense
- India aims global supply chain role
- ATMP is backend chip process
- Reduces import dependence
- Linked with Digital India



H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Definition-based: Semiconductor
- Match: ATMP vs function
- One-liner: ISM objective
- Statement-based: Chip industry

◆ 11. West Asia Conflict (Iran Peace Proposal & Nuclear Issue)

A. Core Idea

Iran proposed peace conditions while conflict continues around nuclear sites and oil routes.

B. Why in News

Iran gave counter peace proposal amid ongoing strikes.

C. Key Facts & Figures

- Iran proposal: 5-point plan
- Strait region: Persian Gulf
- Target: Isfahan nuclear site
- Tanker attacked: Al-Salmi

D. Important Terms

- **Armistice** – Temporary stop in war
- **Nuclear Proliferation** – Spread of nuclear technology
- **Enrichment** – Increasing uranium purity
- **Freedom of Navigation** – Free movement in seas

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- Iran
- USA
- Israel
- United Nations

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- UNCLOS – Governs sea navigation
- Hague Convention (1954) – Protects cultural property

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- Isfahan is nuclear site in Iran
- Persian Gulf is major oil route
- Tanker attacks affect global trade
- Iran demands security guarantees
- Religious sites also targeted
- Maritime security is important

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Map-based: Persian Gulf
- Statement-based: Nuclear terms
- One-liner: Armistice meaning
- Match: Treaty vs purpose



◆ 12. RBI Digital Payment Rules (2FA Mandatory)

A. Core Idea

RBI made two-factor authentication compulsory for all digital payments.

B. Why in News

New RBI rule effective from 1 April 2026.

C. Key Facts & Figures

- Fraud amount: ₹36,014 crore (FY25)
- Increase: 194%
- Applies to: UPI, cards, wallets

D. Important Terms

- **2FA** – Two-step verification
- **OTP** – One-time password
- **Phishing** – Fraud to steal data
- **Biometric Authentication** – Fingerprint/face ID

E. Institutions / Organisations Involved

- RBI
- Banks
- NPCI

F. Government Acts / Policies / Schemes

- Banking Regulation Act, 1949
- Payment & Settlement Systems Act, 2007

G. Direct Exam Takeaways

- 2FA mandatory for all payments
- One factor must be dynamic
- Helps reduce fraud
- Applies across all platforms
- Banks responsible for compliance
- Includes biometric security

H. PYQ / Expected Question Angles

- Definition-based: 2FA
- Statement-based: Digital security
- One-liner: RBI role
- Match: Act vs purpose



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