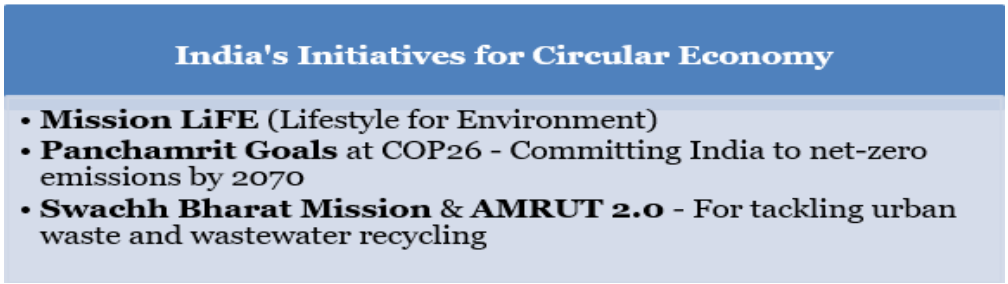
Cities Coalition for Circularity (C-3)

Why in News?

India launches C-3 initiative at the 12th Regional 3R and Circular Economy Forum in Asia and the Pacific that held in Jaipur.

- **C-3** – It is a multi-nation alliance for *city-to-city collaboration*, knowledge-sharing, and *private sector partnerships*.
- It is a critical platform for policymakers, industry leaders, researchers, and development partners to discuss and implement *sustainable solutions for waste management* and resource efficiency as economies in the Asia-Pacific region
- **Role** – It will act as a *catalyst for resource efficiency* and a low-carbon economy, strengthening collaboration between policymakers, industry leaders, and researchers to build a sustainable future.
- **Significance** – It is expected to be a game changer in the city- city partnerships across nations.



Regional 3R and Circular Economy Forum in Asia and the Pacific

- **Launched in** – 2009, under the aegis of *United Nations.*
- The word 'Circular Economy' was added to the conference title from the 10th forum (2020).
- **Objective** – To chart pathways and opportunities for realizing *circular and zero waste societies* in the Asia-Pacific region.
- To provide strategic policy *advices to national government* authorities in mainstreaming 3Rs.
- To address policies, programs, measures, tools and technologies in the context of achieving
    - Resource efficiency
    - Sustainable production and consumption
    - Integrated solid waste management
    - Sound material-cycle
    - Low-carbon and zero waste society
- To provide a *knowledge sharing platform* for disseminating and sharing best practices in 3R areas, including new and emerging issues of concern in waste management.

Jaipur Declaration (2025-2034) *is a non-political, non-binding commitment that will guide the next decade of efforts towards resource efficiency and sustainable urban growth.*

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