Donald Trump’s Mass Deportation Policy.

Why in News?

The U.S.-Colombia economic and diplomatic impasse arises from forced deportations and Trump's confrontational tactics, rather promoting a more diplomatic strategy for addressing migration.

What is Trump's Deportation Policies?

- **Mass Deportations -** Targeting undocumented migrants, especially from Latin America, under strict immigration policies.
- **Use of Military Planes -** Deportations often involved military aircraft, leading to diplomatic tensions with countries like Colombia and Brazil.
- **Strict Border Controls-** Policies such as "Remain in Mexico" and increased border wall construction implemented to curb illegal migration.
- **Family Separation Policy-** Led to the separation of migrant children from their parents, drawing criticism from human rights organizations**.**
- **Sanctions and Pressure on Other Nations -** Countries refusing to accept deported migrants faced economic and diplomatic pressure, including tariffs and aid cuts.

What are Global Impact of Deportation Policy?

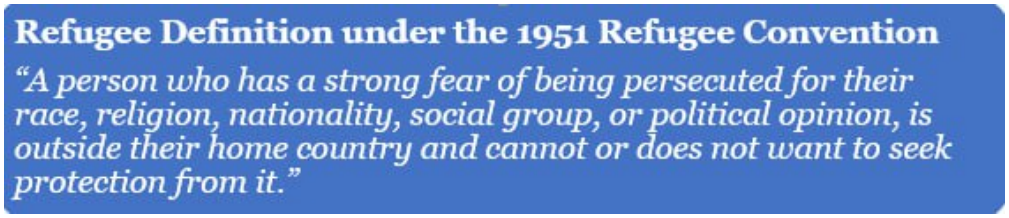
- **Strained Diplomatic Relations** – Countries like Colombia and Mexico opposed Trump’s deportation methods, leading to diplomatic conflicts.
- **Economic Fallout** - High tariffs and trade restrictions on nations resisting deportations disrupted global trade, affecting businesses in both the U.S. and partner countries.
- **Human Rights Concerns** - Reports of mistreatment of deported migrants, including handcuffing and lack of basic amenities, led to criticism from international human rights organizations.
- **Impact on Refugee Policies** - Countries revisited their own immigration policies, with some tightening restrictions due to U.S. pressure.
- **Rise in Illegal Crossings** - Stricter deportation measures did not entirely deter migration; instead, they fueled more dangerous illegal crossings.

What are the Policy Impact on India?

- Among the illegal migrants in ***U.S, 1.Mexico 2.El Salvador & India ranks 3rd .***
- **Visa Restrictions on Indian Migrants -** May affected Indian ***workers and students seeking U.S. visas***.
- **Impact on Indian IT Sector -**The H-1B visa restrictions and deportations disrupted the IT industry, affecting Indian professionals.
- **Repatriation of Indians -** Undocumented Indian migrants faced deportation, raising concerns over their safety and reintegration.
- **Trade Relations with the U.S.** - Tariffs and immigration tensions impacted India-U.S. trade negotiations, especially in technology and services sectors.
- **Policy Influence on India**: The U.S. approach influenced India's immigration policies, leading to stricter monitoring of illegal migration.

What is the Difference between Migrants & Refugees?

- **Migrant -** According to International Organization for Migration
- A migrant is any person who moves across an international border or within a state away from their habitual place of residence, regardless of
- The person's legal status;
- The voluntary or involuntary nature of movement;
- The causes of movement; or
- The length of stay."



What are the Agreements to Protect Refugees?

1951 Refugee Convention

- Establish rights of refugees and obligations of host countries for protection.
- **Established** – in 1951, under the ***UN framework.***
- Defines who is a ***refugee and their legal rights***.
- Establishes ***non refoulement principle*** (no forced return to danger).
- Outlines refugees' rights to work, education, and legal protection.
- Requires states to cooperate with the UNHCR.
- Initially limited to post ***WWII refugees in*** Europe, later expanded by the 1967 Protocol.

*India is **not a signatory** but provides asylum to many refugee groups under national policies.*

1967 Protocol on Refugee Status

- It seeks to remove geographical and time limits from the 1951 Refugee Convention, providing protections to refugees outside Europe and from after WWII.
- It eliminates the original time limit and requires signatory states to ensure refugee rights. ***India is not a signatory but addresses refugee protection individually.***

What are the Global Compact on Refugees (2018)?

- Aims to provide a ***non-binding framework*** for equitable refugee protection.
- Formed in 2018, adopted by UN.
- Focuses on supporting host countries through shared ***international responsibility.***
- Encourages ***economic and social inclusion*** of refugees.
- Enhances refugee self-reliance through ***education and employment***.
- Strengthens international cooperation and funding for refugee crises.
- Aims to create conditions for voluntary return and resettlement in safety.

What lies ahead?

- It's crucial to understand legal immigration pathways and the risks of irregular migration as U.

S. policies change. Indian nationals should stay informed and cautious.

UN High Commissioner for Refugees
• **Aim -** To protect and assist refugees and stateless persons globally. • **Formed** - 1950 • **Features -** Provides ***legal and humanitarian aid*** to refugees. • Works with governments to establish asylum policies. • Monitors compliance with international refugee laws. • Helps in voluntary repatriation, local integration, or resettlement. • Responds to emergency refugee crises worldwide. • India cooperates with UNHCR but does not grant refugees official legal status under national law.

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