National Crisis Management Committee

Prelims - *Current events of National & International importance*

Why in News?

Recently, the government constituted the National Crisis Management Committee (NCMC) under the newly amended Disaster Management Act 2025.

- **NCMC –** It is an apex body to effectively coordinate and implement ***relief and rescue operations*** during major disasters and crises with national implications.
- **Established under -** Section 8A of the Disaster Management Act, 2005.
- **Nodal ministry -** Ministry of Home Affairs.
- **Chairman -** Cabinet Secretary.
- **Members**
  - Union Home Secretary,
  - Defence secretary,
  - Secretary (coordination),
  - Cabinet Secretariat and member,
  - Head of department, the National Disaster Management Authority.
- **Role**
  - **Inclusion of experts -** The Chairperson may designate any expert or officer, either from the central or state government, or any organisation.
  - Designation depending on the nature of the crisis, to assist the committee in performing its functions during a disaster situation.
  - **Evaluate preparedness –** Accessing plans which respond to any threatening or emerging disaster situation.
  - **Coordinate and monitor –** Organize actions of the concerned ministries or departments, state governments, national authority, state authorities, governmental and non-governmental organisations about disaster response.
  - **Guidelines -** Provide directions as necessary for the effective management and monitoring of disaster response in the country.

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