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Social Issues

Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (ECHS)

• **Launched in –** 2003.
• **Allocated to –** Department of Ex-Serviceman Welfare, Ministry of Defence.
• **Managed by –** Armed Forces, so as to minimize the administrative expenditure.
• **Aim –** To provide allopathic and AYUSH Medicare to Ex-servicemen pensioner.

Polity & Governance

Special Intensive Revision (SIR)

• It is a *House-to-House verification* to be done to ensure enrolment of all eligible Citizens.
• **Verified by –** Booth Level Officers.
• **Legal basis –** *Article 324* of the Constitution & Section 21 of the *Representation of the People Act 1950.*
• **Aim –** To ensure that *all eligible citizens* are included in the electoral roll.
• **Significance –** To protect the *'one person, one vote' principle.*

Economy

Anna Chakra

• It is a tool for *optimizing the supply chain of food-grains* under the Public Distribution System (PDS) across states.
• **Objective -** To ensure seamless movement of food grains across supply chain nodes & save the annual cost of transporting food items.
• **Developed by –** World Food Programme with Foundation for Innovation and Technology Transfer, IIT-Delhi.
• **Ministry –** Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.
• **Integrated with –** Freight Operations Information System (FOIS) portal through Unified Logistics Interface Platform (ULIP).

World Food Programme (WFP)

• It is a world's largest humanitarian organization *within the United Nations.*
• **Established in** – 1961.
• **Headquarters** – Rome, Italy.
• **Aim –** To deliver food assistance in emergencies & *eradicate hunger and malnutrition.*
• **Coverage** – More than 120 countries and territories, helping around 80 million people each year.

Freight Operations Information System (FOIS)

• It is an application implemented in Indian Railways.
• **Aim –** To improve productivity, customer service and thus meet the needs of a rapidly growing economy.
• **2 modules –**
  - Rake Management System (RSS)
  - Terminal Management System (TMS)
• **Roles –** To *track and monitor the movement* of wagons, locomotives and unit trains.
• To handle the billing and revenue collections by complete management module for freight trains.

Unified Logistics Interface Platform (ULIP)

• **Launched in –** 2022, by Ministry of Commerce & Industry.
• **Umbrella scheme –** National Logistics Policy (NLP).
• **Objectives –** To bring ease of doing business and reduce logistics cost & time in the logistics sector.
• To improve its efficiency, transparency and visibility.
• To monitor cargo movement, consignment tracking and inventory management.

Agriculture

Aquaculture Insurance Scheme

• **Provide under –** Pradhan Mantri Matsya Kisan Samridhi Sah-Yojana (PM-MKSSY).
• **One-time incentive –** At the rate of 40% of the premium paid with a ceiling up to ₹25,000 per hectare.
• **Limit –** *Rs.1 lakh per farmer* for farms upto 4 hectares Water Spread Area (WSA).
• **Additional 10% incentive –** SC/ST and women beneficiaries
• **Coverage –** Cage culture, RAS, bio-floc, and raceways etc.

Pradhan Mantri Matsya Kisan Samridhi Sah-Yojana

• It is a *Central Sector Sub-scheme.*
• **Umbrella scheme –** Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY).
• **Administered by –** Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying.
• **Aim –** To *formalise the fisheries sector* and incentivise fisheries-based microenterprises and entrepreneurs to access institutional finance.

Science

National TB Elimination Programme (NTEP)

• In 2020, Revised National Tuberculosis Control Programme (RNTCP) was renamed as NTEP.
• **Implemented under** – National Health Mission (NHM), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
• **Aim –** To *identify undiagnosed Tuberculosis (TB) cases*, to provide *free screening, diagnosis and treatment* to all TB patients in public and identified private healthcare facilities.
• **Renewed approaches –**
• Mapping of vulnerable population & screening with Chest X-ray, upfront *Nucleic Acid Amplification Test (NAAT).*
• To give differentiated TB care for managing high-risk TB cases.
• To provide TB preventive treatment to household contacts and vulnerable population.
• **Decentralized TB services –** To the level of Ayushman Arogya Mandir (AAM).

Ayushman Arogya Mandir (AAM)

• It is a selective approach to health care to deliver comprehensive range of services spanning preventive, promotive, curative, rehabilitative and palliative care.
• **Umbrella scheme –** Ayushman Bharat, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
• **Aim –** To provide comprehensive, affordable, and quality healthcare services to citizens.
• **2 components -**
  - **Ayushman Arogya Mandir –** Comprehensive Primary Health Care.
  - **Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY) –** Health insurance cover of Rs. 5 lakhs per year for seeking secondary and tertiary care.

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