Viksit Bharat Buildathon 2025

Prelims: *Current events of national and international importance*

Why in news?

Recently, the Union Ministry of Education has launched the Viksit Bharat Buildathon 2025 – India's largest innovation movement.

- It is a ***nationwide innovation movement*** set to engage students from schools having classes 6 -12.
- This would be India's largest-ever student innovation initiative and an important step towards the vision of Viksit Bharat @2047.
- It is aiming to engage one crore students from over 1.5 lakh schools.
- **Purpose –** To foster creativity, innovation, and problem-solving skills among students by encouraging them to develop indigenous prototypes based on national priorities.
- **Launched by –** Ministry of Education in collaboration with the Atal Innovation Mission, NITI Aayog.
- **Participants –** Students from classes 6 -12 across the country.
- **4 themes –**
  - Atmanirbhar Bharat – building self-reliant systems and solutions
  - Swadeshi – fostering indigenous ideas and innovation
  - Vocal for Local – promoting local products, crafts, and resources
  - Samriddhi – creating pathways to prosperity and sustainable growth
- **Key Features –**
  - Students innovating together in the world's largest live innovation activity
  - Hands-on, experiential learning in line with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020
  - Inclusive participation with special focus on Aspirational Districts, Tribal and Remote regions
- **Significance –** It is a movement to ignite and empower young minds, celebrate innovation, and strengthen the spirit of Atmanirbhar Bharat and India's innovation culture.

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