

24 Oct 2020: PIB Summary & Analysis

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1. Kisan Suryodaya Yojana

Context:

PM inaugurated Kisan Suryodaya Yojana in Gujarat.

About the Kisan Suryodaya Yojana:

- The scheme is aimed at providing day-time electricity to the farmers in Gujarat for irrigation and farming purposes.
- It will provide 16 hours of power supply to farmers.
- Earlier, most of the farmers got power for irrigation in the night only and had to wake up all night.
 - In Girnar and Junagadh, the farmers also face the problem of wild animals.
- Under the Kisan Suryodaya Yojana, farmers will get 3 phase power supply from 5 AM to 9 PM.
- The state government has allocated a budget of Rs.3500 crore for installing transmission infrastructure under this scheme by 2023.
- 234 '66-Kilowatt' transmission lines, with a total length of 3490 circuit km (CKM) will be established under the project, in addition to 220 KV substations.

2. National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA)

Context:

Price Monitoring and Resource Unit set up in Goa under the aegis of the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA).

To know more about NPPA, check [PIB dated 17 March, 2020](#).

3. Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP)

Context:

59th Raising Day of the Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP).

About the Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP):

- Raised on 24 October, 1962 during India-China War, the ITBP primarily guards the nation's 3,488 kilometre long borders in the Himalayas at the BOPs (border outposts) located at altitudes ranging from 3,000 to 18,800 feet.
- ITBP is deployed on border guarding duties from Karakoram Pass in Ladakh to Jachep La in Arunachal Pradesh.
- Apart from guarding the border, the Force is also deployed for anti-Naxal operations and other internal security duties.
- ITBPF is a specialized mountain force and most of the officers and men are professionally trained mountaineers and skiers. It is a border guarding police force specialising in high altitude operations.
- ITBP is headed by a Director-General who is an IPS officer.
- Being the first responder for a natural disaster, ITBPF has been carrying out numerous rescue and relief operations across the country.

ITBP is a Central Armed Police Force (CAPF) functioning under the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India. **To know more about the differences between the Indian Army and the CAPF, click on the linked article.**
