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### Disaster Management Plan of Ministry of Panchayati Raj

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#### Focus: GS III- Disaster Management

#### Why in News?

The Disaster Management Plan of the Ministry of Panchayati Raj was recently released by the Union Minister of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (DMP-MoPR).

#### About DMP-MoPR:

- Every Indian village would have a "Village Disaster Management Plan" and every Panchayat would have their own Disaster Management Plan under the Plan, which was designed with a bigger view of community-based planning starting from Village to District Panchayat level.
- The goal is to increase disaster resilience among Panchayats at the grassroots level and to provide a framework to connect disaster management measures in rural regions



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with those of the National Disaster Management Authority.

- It integrates numerous improvements in addition to complying with the Disaster Management Act of 2005, the National Disaster Management Policy of 2009, and the National Disaster Management Authority's standards.

## What will be covered under the Disaster Management Plan?

- Institutional arrangement for Disaster Management.
- Hazard Risk, Vulnerability and Capacity Analysis.
- Coherence of Disaster Risk Management across Resilient Development and Climate Change Action.
- Disaster Specific Preventive and Mitigation Measures-Responsibility Framework.
- Mainstreaming of Community Based Disaster Management Plan of Villages and Panchayats and so on.

## Need for such a Plan

- Due to its unique geo-climatic and socio-economic characteristics, India has been exposed to several natural and man-made calamities to varying degrees.
- Earthquakes, floods, landslides, cyclones, tsunamis, urban floods, and droughts are examples of natural disasters.
- Nuclear, biological, and chemical disasters can all be caused by humans.
- Cyclones, floods, droughts, earthquakes, landslides, and other natural disasters affect different sections of the country.

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## World Happiness Report 2022

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## Why in News?

The United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network recently released the World Happiness Report 2022. The World Happiness Report is celebrating its tenth anniversary this year.

## About World Happiness Report

- The World Happiness Report is released by the Sustainable Development Solutions Network for the United Nations, ranking 149 countries by how happy their citizens perceive themselves to be.
- The United Nations World Happiness Report was first published in 2012. Until then, happiness was not considered an objective of governance.
- Happiness has now emerged as a new measure of the quality of governance.
- The connection between law, governance and happiness has been gaining considerable attention over the years. This is because the report has shown time and again that countries with a higher GDP and higher per capita income are not necessarily the happiest.
- The rankings are based on polling (Gallup World Poll) which looks at six variables:
  1. Gross Domestic Product Per Capita (Purchasing Power Parity).
  2. Social Support.
  3. Healthy life expectancy at birth.
  4. Freedom to make life choices.
  5. Generosity.
  6. Perceptions of corruption.

## Performance of the Countries

- For the sixth year in a row, Finland has been voted the world's happiest country, followed by Denmark.
- Serbia, Bulgaria, and Romania have seen the greatest increases in happiness.
- Afghanistan was voted as the unhappiest country, followed by Lebanon, Zimbabwe, Rwanda, and Botswana, in that order.
- **India's Performance:** India improved its position somewhat, moving up three ranks to 136 from 139 a year ago.



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