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NOTICE:

Daily Answer Writing Programme (DAWP):

Topics-Editorials from the Hindu/ET

Today's Question (11/ 07/2019)

Q. Discuss the India's 'Intended Nationally Determined Contributions' (**INDCs**) to solve the global problem of climate change. *250 words*

जलवायु परिवर्तन की वैश्विक समस्या के समाधान हेतु भारत की 'राष्ट्रीय स्तर पर निर्धारित योगदान' (INDCs) की चर्चा कीजिए।

(Model Answer of the last Day Question)

Q. 'Forest dwellers and farmers are the best hope to preserve biodiversity and ensure food security'. Discuss **250 words**

The forest dwellers like **Todas, Nagas, Chenchu & Dongria Kondh** treat forest as sacred groves & animals/ Birds as their totem (Ancestors). They protect & preserve them with full dedication & care which help us in preserving our biodiversity.

The **Dongria Kondh** tribe of **Niyamgiri Hills** is among the best conservationists in the world.

Challenges:

- Nature now faces the threat of another mass extinction of species.
- Pressure from industrialization/Urbanisation does not care too much about conservation and biodiversity.
- The same holds true for the **overexploitation of our rivers and seas.**

- Without radical efforts towards conservation, the rate of species extinction will only gather momentum.
- A loss in biodiversity simply means that **plants and animals** are more vulnerable to **pests and diseases**.
- This, in effect, puts **food security and nutrition** at risk.
- The intensive agriculture, exploitative forestry and overfishing are the main threats to **biodiversity in India and the world**.

Way forward:

- The approach now should be to ensure the active participation of communities that live close to nature - farmers and forest dwellers.
- The UN agencies too have emphasized on the significance of the accumulated wisdom of indigenous **peoples, fishers and farmers**.
- Instead of **evicting forest dwellers** from their homes, the country should be encouraging them to conserve and nurture their habitats.
- For solutions, the policies has to take lead from the -
- ✓ Growing movement of **zero-budget natural farming** in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana.
- ✓ The community-driven forest conservation initiatives in **Odisha and the Northeast**.

Thus, we need to encourage & assist the active participation of forest tribes/local farmers & give more financial support to them. The STs forest rights act-2016 should be implemented effectively and People should be at the centre of all the actions taken at dealing with the challenges of nature.

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