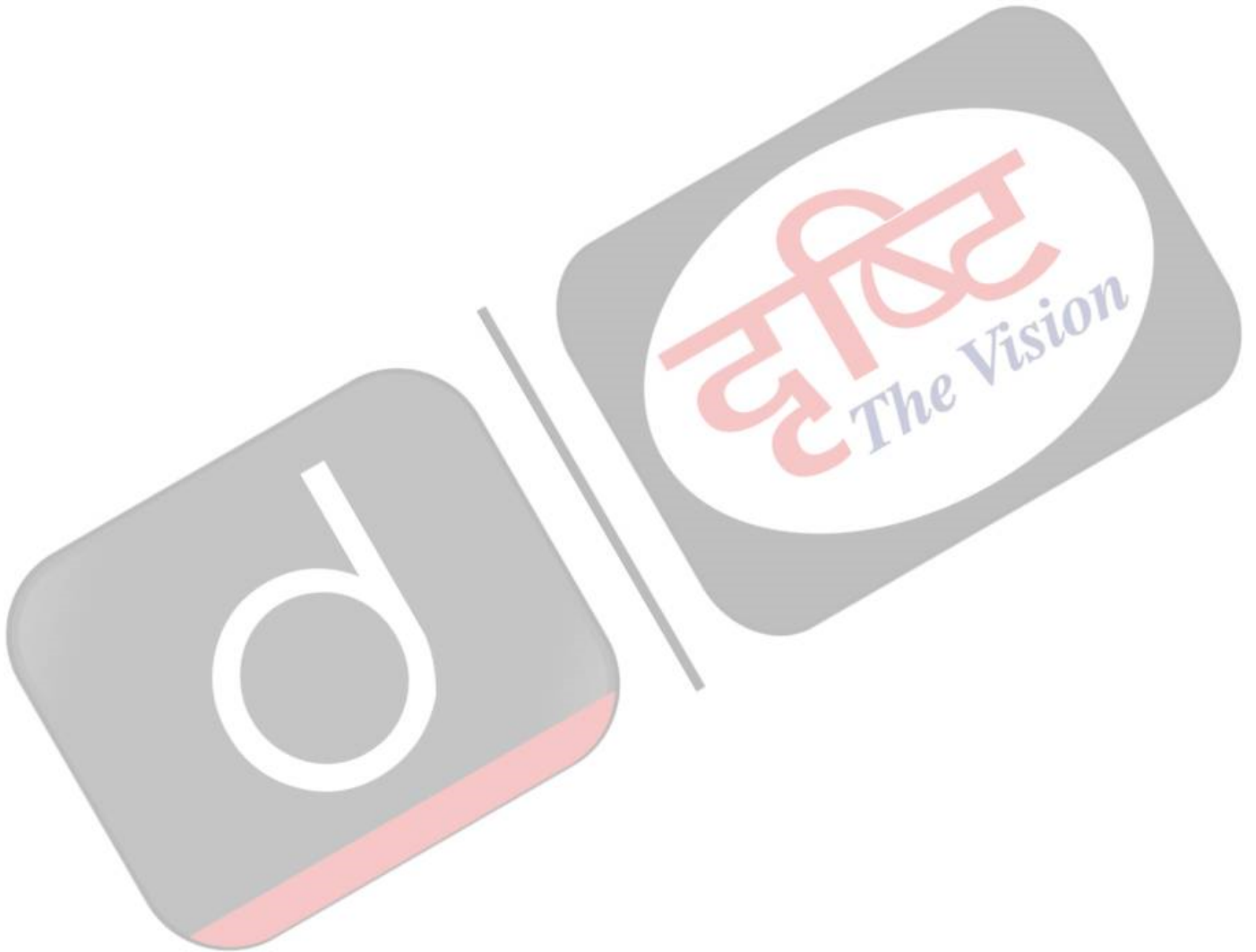




## UN Specialised Agencies: FAO, UNIDO and ICAO (Part-1)

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# UN SPECIALISED AGENCIES

UNSA's are 15 autonomous international organizations working with the UN

Part I  
FAO, UNIDO  
and ICAO

## FAO

- Estd. - 16th October 1945 (World Food Day)
- Headquarters - Rome, Italy
- Members - 194 countries (incl. India) + EU
- Sister Bodies - World Food Programme (WFP), IFAD
- FAO v/s WFP v/s IFAD:
  - » FAO is a knowledge org.; lead UN agency for technical expertise in food security, agriculture, forestry, fisheries etc.
  - » WFP is a humanitarian org.; provides food aid and logistical operations to save lives in crisis situations
  - » IFAD is a financial institution; funds rural development projects to improve nutritional level
- Flagship Publications:
  - » The State of World Fisheries and Aquaculture (SOFIA)
  - » The State of the World's Forests (SOFO)
  - » The State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World (SOFI)
  - » The State of Food and Agriculture (SOFA)
  - » The State of Agricultural Commodity Markets (SOCO)
- FAO's Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems (GIAHS) in India:
  - » Kuttanad Below Sea Level Farming System, Kerala
  - » Koraput Traditional Agriculture, Odisha
  - » Pampore Saffron Heritage, Kashmir

## UN Industrial Development Organisation

- Estd. - 1966 (transformed into UNSA in 1985)
- Headquarters - Vienna, Austria
- Member States - 171 (India one of the founders)
- Functions - Tech-cooperation, advisory services and fostering partnerships
- Imp. Declarations - Lima Declaration (2013), Abu Dhabi Declaration (2019)

UNIDO  
is a custodian  
agency for 6  
industry-related  
indicators  
under SDG 9

## ICAO

- Estd. - 1944 (by Chicago Convention)
- Function - Set standards/procedures for peaceful global air navigation
- Headquarters - Montreal, Canada
- Members - 193 (incl. India)

ICAO is not an international aviation regulator; it can't arbitrarily close/restrict a country's airspace, shut down routes or condemn airports/airlines



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