

## **Mob Lynching**

## Why in News?

Recently, two **cattle transporters** were found dead, and a third was severely injured after being allegedly attacked by a mob in Raipur, Chhattisgarh.

The victims were transporting cattle from Mahasamund to Raipur.

## **Key Points**

- Mob lynching is a term used to describe the acts of targeted violence by a large group of people.
- The violence is tantamount to offenses against human body or property or both public as well as private.
- The mob believes that they are punishing the victim for doing something wrong (not necessarily illegal) and they take the law in their own hands to punish the purported accused without following any rules of law.
- Related Issues:
  - Mob lynching is a violation of human dignity, <u>Article 21</u> of the Constitution, and a gross infringement of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.
  - Such incidents violate the Right to Equality and Prohibition of discrimination, which
    are enshrined in Articles 14 and 15 of the Constitution of India.

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