



Important Facts for Prelims (26th September 2018)

Parakram Parv

- Armed forces will observe 'Parakram Parv' from September 28 to 30 to mark the second anniversary of surgical strikes against terror camps across the Line of Control (LoC).
- The main event will be organized India Gate Lawns, Rajpath, New Delhi. Similarly, 53 locations in 51 cities across the Nation shall be showcasing the events highlighting the valor of Indian Armed Forces in general and Special Forces in particular.

Bru Refugees

- The deadline for the repatriation of Bru refugee from relief camps in Tripura expired recently. However, many families are yet to be repatriated to their homeland in Mizoram.
- The Home Ministry signed an agreement with the governments of Mizoram and Tripura and the Mizoram Bru Displaced People's Forum, which brought to an end a 21-year wait for over 32,000 Bru tribals, who had been displaced from Mizoram and were living in Tripura.
- Bru (or Reang) tribals inhabit parts of some Northeastern states. In Mizoram, they are largely restricted to Mamit and Kolasib districts.
- In 1995, following a clash between Mizos and Brus, the Young Mizo Association and Mizo Students' Association demanded that Brus be removed from the state's electoral rolls, contending that the tribe was not indigenous to Mizoram.
- This led to an armed movement led by the militant outfit Bru National Liberation Front (BNLF), and a political one by the Bru National Union (BNU).

India ranked 158 in Human Capital

- India ranks 158th in the world for its investments in education and healthcare, according to the first-ever scientific study ranking countries for their levels of human capital, published by The Lancet.
- India is behind Sudan (ranked 157th) and ahead of Namibia (ranked 159th) in the list. Finland topped the list, while the U.S. is ranked 27th and China is at 44th.
- The study says that India is ranked at 158 out of 195 countries in 2016, an improvement from its position of 162 in 1990.
- It showed that India is falling behind in terms of health and education of its workforce, which could potentially have long-term negative effects on the Indian economy.
- The study is based on analysis of data from sources, including government agencies, schools, and healthcare systems.

Human Capital

- Human capital refers to the attributes of a population that, along with physical capital such as buildings, equipment, and other tangible assets, contribute to economic productivity.
- Human capital is characterized as the aggregate levels of education, training, skills, and health in a population.

