



# World Migration Report, 2024

## Why in News?

Recently, the [International Organization for Migration \(IOM\)](#) launched the [World Migration Report 2024](#).

## Key Points

- The Report reveals significant **shifts in global migration patterns**, including a record number of displaced people and a major increase in international remittances.
  - With an estimated **281 million international migrants worldwide**, the number of displaced individuals due to **conflict, violence, disaster, and other reasons** has surged to the highest levels in modern-day records, reaching 117 million, underscoring the urgency of addressing displacement crises.
- In India, strong influence of climate impacts on internal migration from **Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh**.
  - India hosts the **world's largest number of international migrants (18 million)** residing in UAE, USA and Saudi Arabia.
  - In 2022, India remained the top remittance destination, receiving more than USD 111 billion, the first country to reach and surpass the USD 100 billion mark.

## International Organization for Migration

- **About:**
  - It **originated in 1951** as the **Provisional Intergovernmental Committee for the Movement of Migrants from Europe (PICMME)** after World War II's upheavals.
  - It underwent name changes from PICMME to the **Intergovernmental Committee for European Migration (ICEM) in 1952**, to the **Intergovernmental Committee for Migration (ICM) in 1980**, and finally to the **International Organisation for Migration in 1989**, reflecting its evolution into a migration agency.
    - In **2016, IOM entered into an agreement with the United Nations**, becoming a related organization.
- **Members:** It currently has 175 Member States and 8 states with Observer status.
  - **India became an IOM Member State on 18<sup>th</sup> June 2008.**
- Its **headquarters is in Geneva, Switzerland.**