



Polio Campaign Launched from Gorakhpur

Why in News

- On March 20, 2022, Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh launched the Pulse Polio campaign from Gorakhpur to save children up to five years of age from polio in the state.

Key Points

- Under this week-long campaign, 3.80 crore children up to the age of five years will be administered pulse polio drops. For this 1.10 lakh booths have been made. Along with this, 76,000 mobile teams have been formed.
- The Chief Minister said that not a single case of polio has been found in Uttar Pradesh since 2012 and in India since 2011.
- It is worth mentioning that by adopting the 'Four T' (Trace, Test, Treat and Vaccine) formula on the strength of collectivism, Uttar Pradesh is leading the entire country in the management of the global pandemic Corona.
- India introduced polio vaccination in Delhi on October 2, 1994 as a result of the World Health Assembly's (WHA) global polio eradication initiative and in 1995 the Pulse Polio Immunization (PPI) program was launched across the country.
- Under this program all the children under the age of 5 are given two doses of Oral Polio Vaccine (OPV) every year until polio is eradicated.

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