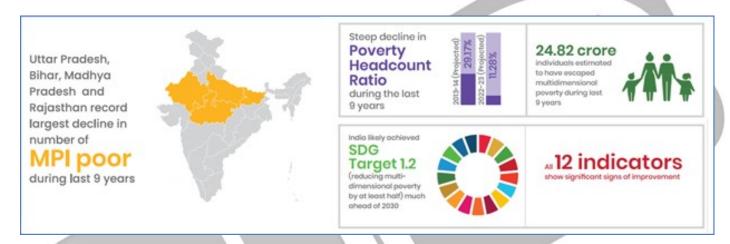


UP Lead in Pulling People Out of Poverty

Why in News?

According to 'Multidimensional Poverty in India since 2005-06', a paper issued by the NITI Aayog. Uttar Pradesh maintained its lead among states in pulling the maximum number of people out of multidimensional poverty (MDP) in the past nine years.

• The organisation flagged that **5.94 crore people in UP** had **emerged from MDP**.



Key Points

- In the paper, it had pointed out that from 37.68% in 2015-16, the number of multi-dimensional poor in UP came down to 22.95% in 2019-21.
- In the NITI Aayog's paper, it states that in 2022-23, this figure is reduced to 17.40%.
 - NITI Aayog considered 12 indicators aligned with sustainable development goals to measure multidimensional poverty.
- Oxford Policy and Human Development Initiative (OPHI) and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), also contributed to the paper.
 - According to the report, multidimensional poverty in India was found to have declined from 29.17% in 2013-14 to 11.28% in 2022-23 with 24.82 crore people escaping poverty during this period.

NITI Aayog

- The **Planning Commission was replaced by a new institution NITI Aayog** on 1st January, 2015 with emphasis on 'Bottom -Up' approach to envisage the vision of Maximum Governance, Minimum Government, echoing the spirit of 'Cooperative Federalism'.
- It has two Hubs:
 - Team India Hub acts as an interface between States and Centre.
 - Knowledge and Innovation Hub builds the think-tank acumen of NITI Aayog.

Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative (OPHI)

- OPHI is an economic research and policy centre within the Oxford Department of International Development at the University of Oxford. **It was established in 2007.**
- It aims to build and advance a more systematic methodological and economic framework for reducing multidimensional poverty, grounded in people's experiences and values.

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