



Ballistic Missile Ghaznavi: Pakistan

Why in News

Recently, **Pakistan** has successfully test-fired a **nuclear-capable surface-to-surface ballistic missile** 'Ghaznavi'.

- It is capable of delivering multiple types of warheads **up to a range of 290 kilometres**.
- Earlier, [Shaheen-3](#), **Babur cruise missile** and the **Fatah-1** were launched.

Key Points

▪ Ballistic Missile:

- It is a **rocket-propelled self-guided strategic-weapons system** that follows a ballistic trajectory to deliver a payload from its launch site to a predetermined target.
- It **can carry conventional high explosives as well as chemical, biological, or nuclear munitions**.
- The **International Code of Conduct against Ballistic Missile Proliferation (ICOC)**, now known as the **Hague Code of Conduct against Ballistic Missile Proliferation (HCOC)**, is a political initiative aimed at globally curbing ballistic missile proliferation.
 - **India is a signatory** to this convention.
- Established in April 1987, the voluntary **Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR)** aims to limit the spread of ballistic missiles and other unmanned delivery systems that could be used for chemical, biological, and nuclear attacks.

- **India has joined** the MTCR.

▪ Some of India's Ballistic Missiles:

- [Agni P missile](#)
- [Shaurya missile](#)
- [Prithvi missile](#)
- Dhanush, etc.

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