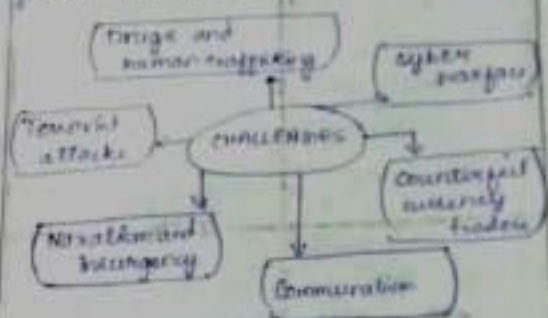


Q. What is the POCSO Act 2012 and its objective to prevent child abuse?

POCSO Act 2012 or Prevention of children from sexual offences was a landmark act designed to protect children from sexual assault, sexual harassment and pornography. The act seeks to establish a fast-track mechanism for solving cases of child abuse and sexual assault. It is a children-friendly act and essentially focuses on speedy trials of offences. Gender Neutrality makes it even more responsive towards the children.

POCSO act has been somewhat effective in reducing the child abuse cases and helped in spreading awareness among people regarding sexual harassment and child pornography. But the act has been successful only in a few states where the laws are stringent, authorities are responsible and people are literate and aware. On the other hand states like Uttar Pradesh still continue to report more than 20,000 cases of child abuse.

Internal security is of utmost importance to any country like any other country India continuously faces internal security challenges in form of terrorism, rebellion from states as well as non states actors poses a threat to the country. Major forms can be:



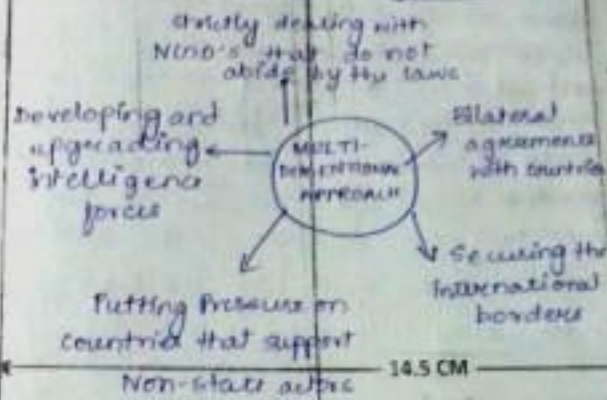
The main internal security issues affect:

- Law and order in the country
- Lead to death and destruction
- The Propaganda of the terrorists like recruitment of innocent youth leads to formation of groups like ISI, Lashkar-e-Taiba, Jaish-e-Mohammad
- Counterfeit currency affects the economy badly and can be called 'economic terrorism'.

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The Indian security forces and the government has been incessantly trying hard to counteract these threats through the following multi-dimensional approach.



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All these steps have been taken so far by the Indian forces and intelligence units to tackle the state as well as non-state actors - 26.5 CM

There are still consistent threats from our hostile neighbours that can be disastrous. Continued Research and counteraction along with awareness among citizens can be helpful for the same.

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The Supreme Court has recently ordered the respective high courts and governments to take the act and all provisions seriously. Efficient machinery is required to enforce the act properly.

Also the case should be registered after due process and on the basis of evidence to prevent misuse. The parents and children should also be properly educated and informed for effective implementation of the act.

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