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Central Teams Assess Cyclone Arnab Damage in Andhra Pradesh

Inter-Ministerial Central teams inspected cyclone-hit areas in Andhra Pradesh as the State sought ₹4,600 crore in central relief.

An official damage assessment by Inter-Ministerial Central teams deployed to evaluate cyclone-affected agricultural and infrastructural assets.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- Two Inter-Ministerial Central teams inspected damage caused by cyclone Arnab in **East Godavari** and Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Konaseema districts on **October 31, 2026**.
- The Central team inspection was led by **Union Home Ministry** Joint Secretary **Chittaranjan Das** at Ambajipeta.
- The **Andhra Pradesh government** sought a financial relief package of **₹4,600 crore** from the Union government for restoration.
- Teams inspected extensive damage to crops, houses, public infrastructure, and fishing assets in **Godavari** coastal pockets.
- **West Godavari** district reported heavy losses in paddy cultivation, aquaculture, and fishing boats.

DID YOU KNOW..!?

The National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) supplements state disaster relief funds for severe natural calamities under the **Disaster Management Act, 2005**.

Inter-Ministerial Central Teams (IMCT) are constituted by the **Union Ministry of Home Affairs** to assess post-disaster damages.

The **Godavari** is the second-longest river in India after the Ganges, originating at **Trimbakeshwar** in Nashik, Maharashtra.

Tropical cyclones in the **Bay of Bengal** frequently affect the eastern coastal states of India, particularly during the northeast monsoon season.

State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) allocations are guided by the recommendations of the **Finance Commission** constituted under **Article 280** of the Constitution.

Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Konaseema district was carved out of the erstwhile East Godavari district in Tamil Nadu/ Andhra Pradesh context.

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Syllabus Relevance: Important for Unit 3 questions related to natural disasters, cyclones, river basins, and disaster management mechanisms in India.

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