

Cities Coalition for Circularity (C-3)

Why in News?

India launches C-3 initiative at the 12th Regional 3R and Circular Economy Forum in Asia and the Pacific that held in Jaipur.

- **C-3** - It is a multi-nation alliance for city-to-city collaboration, knowledge-sharing, and private sector partnerships.
- It is a critical platform for policymakers, industry leaders, researchers, and development partners to discuss and implement sustainable solutions for waste management and resource efficiency as economies in the Asia-Pacific region
- **Role** - It will act as a catalyst for resource efficiency and a low-carbon economy, strengthening collaboration between policymakers, industry leaders, and researchers to build a sustainable future.
- **Significance** - It is expected to be a game changer in the city- city partnerships across nations.

India's Initiatives for Circular Economy

- **Mission LiFE** (Lifestyle for Environment)
- **Panchamrit Goals** at COP26 - Committing India to net-zero emissions by 2070
- **Swachh Bharat Mission & AMRUT 2.0** - For tackling urban waste and wastewater recycling

Regional 3R and Circular Economy Forum in Asia and the Pacific

- **Launched in** - 2009, under the aegis of United Nations.
- The word 'Circular Economy' was added to the conference title from the 10th forum (2020).
- **Objective** - To chart pathways and opportunities for realizing circular and zero waste societies in the Asia-Pacific region.
- To provide strategic policy advices to national government authorities in mainstreaming 3Rs.
- To address policies, programs, measures, tools and technologies in the context of achieving
 - Resource efficiency
 - Sustainable production and consumption
 - Integrated solid waste management
 - Sound material-cycle
 - Low-carbon and zero waste society
- To provide a knowledge sharing platform for disseminating and sharing best practices in 3R areas, including new and emerging issues of concern in waste management.

Jaipur Declaration (2025-2034) is a non-political, non-binding commitment that will guide the next decade of efforts towards resource efficiency and sustainable urban growth.

References

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