

Rising threats of North Korea

Why in news?

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Recently North Korea has successfully tested a Hydrogen bomb, by this it has reached a technological milestone.

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What is the importance of the recent test?

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- North Korea's totalitarian regime is provocative in a quest to attain the status of a de facto nuclear power.

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- North Korea claimed that it had tested a hydrogen nuclear bomb.

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- It is estimated that the explosion was at least four, and up to 16 times stronger than any that Pyongyang had set off earlier.

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- It is a "boosted" atomic bomb that uses tritium, a common enhancement technique for a higher explosive yield.

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Why the recent test seeks a global attention?

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- In spite of its economic backwardness and diplomatic isolation, the nation as involved in mass destruction operations.

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- The recent tests is raising a shock at non-proliferation and international test ban laws, as well as at U.S. Administration.

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- The hydrogen bomb was claimed to be fitted on the Hwasong-14 missile, if it is true it can hit America with nuke.

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- Even there are questions about stability of the missile and capability to carry the bomb, within a year North Korea will upgrade its technology.
 - It is believed that Pakistan at many instances supplied North Korea nuclear fuels, which are essential for developing such weapons.

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What are the US response for North Korea?

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- US administration reacted with the warning that North Korea will met with a massive military response.
 - South Korea and japan strengthening their defence along with the U.S.'s missile defence system, THAAD.
 - United States is considering, in addition to other options, stopping all trade with any country doing business with North Korea
 - Due to such orders Chinese who supports the North Korea Regime will face a crippled economy and a refugee crisis.

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