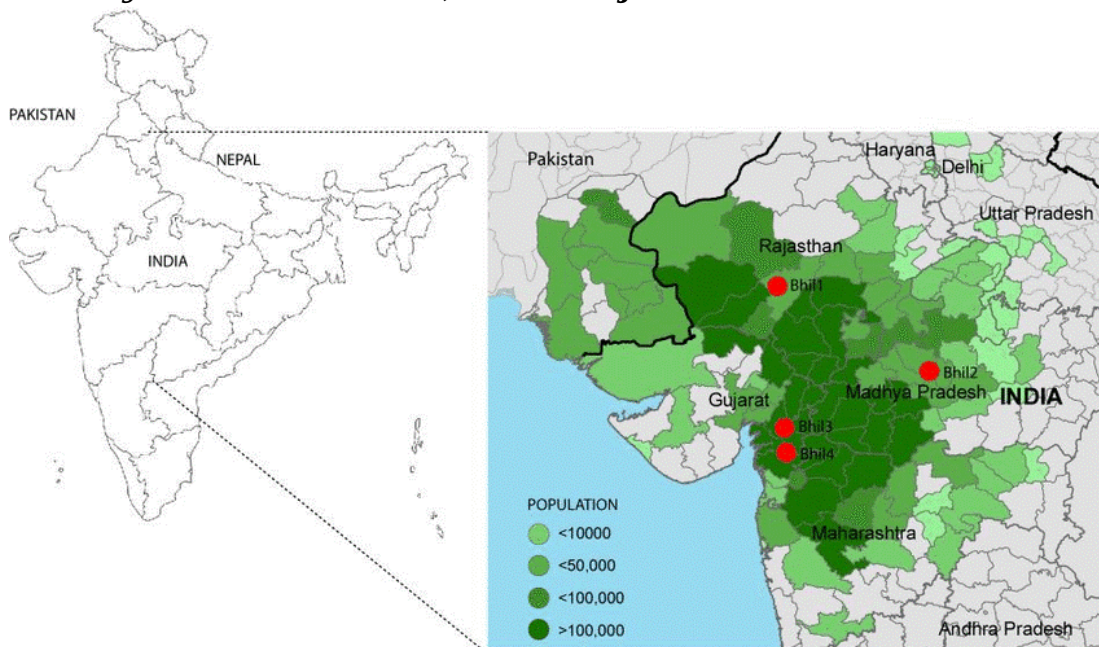


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### Bhil tribe

The Rajasthan tribal community has reiterated their demand for a new state called 'Bhil Pradesh'

- **Bhil tribe** - They are one of the largest indigenous tribal communities in India.
- **Historical origin** - They belong to the race of the pre-Aryans.
- The word "Bhil" is derived from the Dravidian word "Billu," meaning bow, reflecting their traditional skills in archery.
- **Geographic distribution**- They are predominantly found in the states of Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat and Maharashtra.



- Some population are also found in the north eastern parts of Tripura.
- **Classification** - They are classified as:
  - o Central or pure bills
  - o Eastern or Rajput Bhils
- **Language- Bhili**, a language that has many dialects and variations.
- Bhili is part of the Western Zone of the Indo-Aryan languages.
- In different regions, Bhils may also speak the local state languages such as Marathi, Gujarati, or Rajasthani.
- **Economy**- Traditionally, the Bhils are forest dwellers and their livelihood is closely linked with the forest.
- They practice agriculture, hunting, and gathering.
- Shifting cultivation is common among them.

- **Festivals- *Baneshwar fair*** is their main festival.
- **Kakad Bhairav** - Also known as [Bhilat Baba](#), a stone deity worshipped by the Bhils in Madhya Pradesh's Bagh was recently proved to be a fossilized dinosaur egg.

*Article 3 of the India constitutions states that the Parliament may by law form a new State by separation of a territory from any State or by uniting two or more States completely or in parts or by uniting any territory to a part of any State.*

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## South Eastern Coalfields Limited

According to WorldAtlas.com, Gevra and Kusunda coal mines rank 2nd and 4th among the world's 10 largest coal mines.

*World Atlas is one of the largest publishing resources in geography and other topics it covers, including sociology, demography, environment, economics, politics, and travel.*

- **SECL** - South Eastern Coalfields Limited is a Government of India undertaking.
- **Body** - It is a Public Sector Undertaking, a ***miniratna company***.
- **Parent body** - ***Coal India Limited*** (CIL), a Public Sector Undertaking (PSU).
- **Mission**- To *produce and market the planned quantity of coal* and coal products efficiently and economically in an eco-friendly manner with due regard to safety, conservation and quality
- **Location** - It is spread *across 2 states* operating 65 mines.
  - **Chhattisgarh** - 39 mines
  - **Madhya Pradesh** - 26 mines
- **Categorization** - For effective administrative control and operation, coal mines at SECL has been divided into 3 groups
  - Central India coalfields (CIC)
  - Korba coalfields
  - Mand Raigarh Coalfields.
- **Significance** - It is the *highest coal producing company* of India.
- It is *one of the leading energy suppliers* in the country, by adopting the best practices and leading technology from mine to market.

## Gevra and Kusunda coal mines

- **Location** - Chattisgarh
- **Company** - South Eastern Coalfields Limited's (SECL)
- **Type of Mining** - Open cast
- **Production** - They collectively produce more than 100 million tons of coal annually, accounting for about 10 percent of India's total coal production.

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## U-WIN

*U-WIN portal is all set for pan-India launch by end of August that aims to maintain electronic records for the routine immunization.*

- **U-WIN** - Is a platform to maintain an electronic registry of routine immunizations of every vaccination event under the Universal Immunization Programme (UIP).
- It is going to be the single source of information for immunization services and slated to become the world's largest immunization registry.
- **Aim** - It will ensure timely administration of vaccine doses by digitally recording every vaccination event under the Universal Immunization Programme (UIP).
- **Coverage** - ***All pregnant women and children aged 0-5 years.***
- **Ministry** - ***Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.***
- **Budget Union** - Finance Minister has announced in the Interim Budget 2024-2025 along with Mission Indradhanush.
- **National Health Mission (NHM)** - India's Universal Immunization Programme (UIP) is a part of *Reproductive and Child Health (RCH)* program under *National Health Mission (NHM)*.
- **Co-WIN** - U-WIN is a replication of the Covid-19 vaccine management system Co-WIN.
- **e-certificate** - The platform generates uniform *QR-based digitally verifiable e-certificate* similar to Covid vaccination certificate can be accessed anytime by the citizens.
- **Ayushman Bharat Health Account (ABHA)** - It facilitates the creation of ABHA IDs for comprehensive health record maintenance.
- **Frontline workers** - U-WIN supports the frontline workers to digitally record all vaccination events for children and pregnant women for complete, accurate and easy record maintenance.
- **Frontline workers** are employees who interact directly with customers or the public, and are often the first point of contact with clients.
- **Challenges** - There is no mechanism of individual tracking.
- Lack of awareness among beneficiaries especially in urban areas.
- **Vaccines Covers under UIP** -

## Universal Immunization Programme (UIP)

- It is high-quality immunization services to all communities to prevent mortality, morbidity and disability from diseases.
- 12 vaccine preventable diseases are covers under Universal Immunization Programme (UIP).
- Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus, Polio, Measles, Rubella, severe form of Childhood Tuberculosis, Rotavirus diarrhea, Hepatitis B, Meningitis & Pneumonia caused by Hemophilus Influenza type B and Pneumococcal Pneumonia and sub-nationally against 1 disease - Japanese Encephalitis (JE vaccine is provided only in endemic districts).

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## Enemy Property

*Indian government has begun auction properties belonging to erstwhile citizens of the country who now hold Pakistani and Chinese citizenship.*

- **Enemy Property** - Is a property of the erstwhile citizens of India, who now hold the passports of Pakistan and china, the enemy countries of India.
- The 'enemy properties' is any property that belongs to and held or managed on behalf of an enemy, an enemy subject, or an enemy firm.
- **Custodian of Enemy Property for India (CEPI)** - Is a department under the Ministry of Home Affairs.
- The "enemy properties" are vested by the central government under the CEPI.
- The vested properties are further divide into moveable and immovable enemy properties.
- **Regulation** - The enemy properties are regulated by the Enemy Property Act, 1968.
- The Act enables the state to regulate and appropriate real estate belonging to erstwhile citizens of the country who now hold Pakistani and Chinese passports.

*Uttar Pradesh has the maximum number of enemy property, followed by West Bengal.*

- **Amendment** - In 2017, Parliament passed two acts:
  - *The Enemy Property (Amendment and Validation) Act, 2017*, which amended The Enemy Property Act, 1968 and
  - *The Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Act, 1971.*
- The amendment expanded the meaning of the term "enemy subject", and "enemy firm" to include:
  - The legal heir and successor of an enemy, whether a citizen of India or a citizen

- of a country which is not an enemy and
- The succeeding firm of an enemy firm, irrespective of the nationality of its members or partners.
  - Even if the enemy or enemy subject or enemy firm ceases to be an enemy due to death, the enemy property vests with CEPI.
  - **Verdict of Kerala High Court** - According to the case ***Kunji Koya vs. High Court of Kerala***, the High Court underlined that ***“A person working in Pakistan, cannot be called as an enemy”***.

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