

# AWaRe

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## Why in news?

WHO is releasing a tool called AWaRe for safer use and resistance to curbing antibiotics.

## What's the new instrument?

- The **online tool** is intended to **direct lawmakers and others involved in public health to use antibiotics safely** and efficiently.
- This **classifies antibiotics into three different groups, known as 'AWaRe,'** i.e., **Access**, antibiotics that treat the most severe and serious infections, **Watch**, antibiotics in the healthcare system available at all times and **Reserve**, antibiotics to use only as a last resort, sparingly or conservingly.
- Antimicrobial resistance has become an “**invisible pandemic**,” as infections that can not be treated by all types of antibiotics emerge.
- To ensure that we are still able to treat and prevent serious diseases in the absence of the development of new medicines, we must safeguard these precious last-line antibiotics.”