

One Health Joint Plan of Action (OHJPA)

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In news—The OHJPA was jointly launched by the the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the World Health Organization (WHO), and the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH).

About the plan of action-

- The One Health Joint Plan of Action, developed through a participatory process, provided a **set of activities that aim to strengthen collaboration, communication, capacity building and coordination**. These will be equally applicable on across all sectors responsible for addressing health concerns.
- The **plan is valid from 2022-2026** and is aimed at mitigate the health challenges at global, regional, and country levels.
- **Six key areas were focused on in the plan are:**
 - One Health capacity for health systems.
 - Emerging and re-emerging zoonotic epidemics.
 - Endemic zoonotic.
 - Neglected tropical and vector-borne diseases.
 - Antimicrobial resistance and the environment.
 - Food safety risks.
- **Action Track 5 deals with curbing the silent pandemic of Antimicrobial resistance (AMR)**, which is a major global threat affecting the human, animal, plant, food, and environmental sectors.
- It outlines the commitment of the Quadripartite organizations (FAO, UNEP, WHO and WOAH) to collectively advocate and support the implementation of One Health.

- The plan has outlined joint action to preserve antimicrobial efficacy.
- It **also focused on ensuring sustainable and equitable access to antimicrobials** for responsible and prudent use in human, animal and plant health has been outlined for it.
- **The concept of One Health recognises the health of humans, domestic and wild animals**, plants and the wider environment (including ecosystems) are closely linked and interdependent.

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