

Operation Sadbhavana

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In news— As part of 'Operation SADBHAVANA', Indian Army is undertaking multiple welfare activities such as running Army Goodwill Schools, Infrastructure Development Projects and Education Tours etc. for the children living in remote areas of Union Territory (UT) of Ladakh.

What is Operation Sadbhavana?

- Operation Sadbhavana (Goodwill) is a unique humane initiative undertaken by Indian Army in the Ladakh, Jammu & Kashmir to address aspirations of people affected by scourge of terrorism, sponsored and abetted by Pakistan.
- It was launched by the Indian Army in 1998.
- The focus of Operation Sadbhavana is to improve the overall core social indices of Education, Women & Youth Empowerment, and Health care with simultaneous thrust on capacity building through implementation of community/infrastructure development projects.
- The underlying theme is to blunt Pakistan sponsored anti India propaganda and facilitate all around development of the State based on a participative model involving the local people, Army and the civil administration.
- Accordingly, the core of Operation Sadbhavana theme gyrates around aspirations of local populace and India's national interest.
- Operation SADBHAVANA' projects are selected after taking local aspirations into consideration, in conjunction with local civil administration and it is ensured that there is no duplicacy with projects of civil administration.