

# World Migration Report, 2022

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**In news-** The International Organization for Migration (IOM) of the UN has published the World Migration Report 2022 recently.

## **About the report-**

- The World Migration Report (WMR) is IOM's flagship publication, having been **produced biennially since 2000**.
- The 2022 edition is the **eleventh in the world migration report series**.
- It brings into focus the displacement and migration caused by climate change induced factors, like extreme disasters and weather events.
- As per the new report, more people are being displaced by disasters (increased to 40.5 million in 2020, from 31.5 million in 2019) caused by the changing climate than conflicts, reversing a historical trend.
- Extreme temperatures have displaced some 46,000 people anew; droughts caused new displacement of 32,000 people in 2020.
- Storms accounted for 14.6 million displacements and floods for 14.1 million.
- The report quoted the regular data collation by the Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre (IDMC).
- It has found that the **Philippines experienced the highest absolute numbers of new disaster displacements** in 2020 (approximately 5.1 million).
- **Asia reported the largest displacement due to disasters**.
- China reported five million new disaster displacements by the end of 2020.
- **India reported nearly four million new displacements** due to disasters.
- In 2020, India, China, Mexico, the Philippines and Egypt

were (in descending order) the top five remittance recipient countries.

- **When compared with the size of the population in each region, shares of international migrants in 2020 were highest in Oceania, North America and Europe**, where international migrants represented, respectively, 22 per cent, 16 per cent and 12 percent of the total population.
- In comparison, **the share of international migrants is relatively small in Asia and Africa** (1.8% and 1.9%, respectively) and Latin America and the Caribbean (2.3%).

### Key migration data at a glance



- The current United Nations global estimate is that there were around 281 million international migrants in the world in 2020, which equates to 3.6 per cent of the global population.

### International Organization for Migration(IOM)-

- **Established in 1951**, IOM is an intergovernmental

organization that provides services and advice concerning migration to governments and migrants, including internally displaced persons, refugees, and migrant workers.

- **Its headquarters is in Grand-Saconnex, Switzerland.**
  - **IOM works in the four broad areas** of migration management:
    - Migration and development
    - Facilitating migration
    - Regulating migration
    - Forced migration.
  - It has 173 member states with 8 states holding observer status.
- **In September 2016, IOM became a related organization of the United Nations.**
- In May 2021, **IOM launched a new World Migration Report web portal** that integrates fact-based migration narratives with interactive data visualizations on the most up-to-date global migration data and trends.
- **This digital format offers** an intuitive representation of the data by displaying interactive visualizations of global migration trends