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Q20

India's proximity to two of the world's biggest illicit opium-growing states has enhanced her internal security concerns. Explain the linkages between drug trafficking and other illicit activities such as gunrunning, money laundering and human trafficking. What countermeasures should be taken to prevent the same? (250 Words, 15 Marks).

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2018 · GS III · 15 marks · Cyber Security and Money Laundering

Challenges to internal security through communication networks, role of media and social networking sites in internal security challenges, basics of cyber security; money-laundering and its prevention.

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Golden Crescent

Opium-producing belt of Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Iran; a main source of heroin toward South Asia.

Golden Triangle

Myanmar-Laos-Thailand opium and, increasingly, synthetic-drug belt affecting India's north-east and sea routes.

NDPS Act

Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, the core criminal law on trafficking, possession, and precursors in India.

NCB

Narcotics Control Bureau, the central coordinating agency for drug-law enforcement and international liaison.

PMLA predicate

Drug offences can feed money-laundering charges so that hawala and property bought with narcotics cash can be attached.

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