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G7 Summit

Context-

Recently the United Kingdom has invited Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi to attend the 47th G 7 summit as a guest which is scheduled in the month of June 2021.

India is not the part of G7 country

About G7 summit-

- This is an intergovernmental organisation which was formed in 1975.
- The group meets annually to discuss the issues which are of common interest such as international security, Global trade, Terrorism and Governance.

Canada, USA, Germany, UK, Italy, Japan and France are part of G7

- Sometimes it has been observed the group works in a collective way to solve the Global problems.
- The group does not have any formal constitution as ASEAN nor it has any Headquarter.
- The decisions taken by the group are non-binding in nature.

About The Members-

- The group member countries are industrialised democracies. Earlier it was G 8, Russia is also a part of it.
- Russia was expelled from the group in 2014 because of its annexation policy in the Crimea region.

Harike Wetland

Context-

Recently in the Punjab's Harike wetland winter migratory birds have started making a beeline using the Central Asian Flyway.

About The Harike Wetland-

- Harike wetland which is situated in Punjab is one of the largest wetland of North India.
- It is situated in Tarn-Taran district of Punjab.
- The wetland was formed in 1952 after the construction of barrage near the Sutlej- Beas Confluence.

Migratory Birds-

- The wetland becomes a very significant spot for the migratory birds as in every winter these birds make their way here via the central Asian flyway which covers a large continental area of Europe and Asia.
- Some birds such as Greylag goose, Bar headed goose and Gadwall etc are some prominent birds that could be sighted at Harike wetland.

Fauna-

- Faunas like Indus River Dolphin, Smooth Coated otter and seven species of rare freshwater turtle are found here.
- Harike was accorded the wetland status in 1990 by Ramsar convention.

Ramsar Convention-

It is the Convention on Wetlands which is of International Importance, It is an international agreement which promotes the conservation and wise use of wetlands. Ramsar convention is the only global treaty which is focussing on a single ecosystem.