Global Fund

Recently, ‘key populations affected by HIV/AIDS (or KPs)’ have protested for being ignored by governments and multilateral agencies (including United Nations) in Covid-19 related emergency relief efforts. They have petitioned the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (or simply the Global Fund), demanding allocation to meet their basic survival needs of food, shelter, and emergency medical care. KPs include sex workers, transpeople, gay and bisexual men, drug users, and people living with HIV/AIDS.

- The Global Fund is an international financing and partnership organization.
- It was created in 2000 and its secretariat is located in Geneva, Switzerland.
- The Global Fund aims to attract, leverage and invest additional resources to end the epidemics of AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria to support attainment of the Sustainable Development Goals.
- It is designed to promote innovative solutions to global health challenges. It works in partnership with governments, civil society, technical agencies, and people affected by the diseases.
- India joined the Global Fund as a donor in 2006, and has contributed a total USD 46.5 million to date.
- In 2019, the Government of India pledged USD 22 million to the Global Fund’s Sixth Replenishment for 2020-22, demonstrating shared commitment toward ending the epidemics of HIV, TB and malaria.