Aim of the scheme: It will make India a global hub for manufacturing telecom equipment.
- It will create jobs and reduce imports especially from China.
- Focus of the scheme: The scheme will offset the huge import of telecom equipment worth more than Rs 50,000 crore.
- It will encourage the foreign manufacturers and domestic manufacturers to set up production units in India.
- Coverage: The scheme will cover domestic manufacturing of equipment such as
  - core transmission equipment.
  - 4G/5G and next-generation radio access network and wireless equipment.
  - Internet of Things (IoT) access devices.
  - enterprise equipment such as switches and route.
- The scheme will be operational from April 1 and will run for the next 5 years.
- For the inclusion of MSMEs in the scheme, the minimum investment threshold has been kept at ?10 crores while for others it is ?100 crore.
- Further, for MSMEs, It proposes a 1% higher incentive in the first three years.

Significance of the scheme:
- The scheme may lead to an incremental production of about ?2.4 lakh crore with exports of about ?2 lakh crore over 5 years.
- Moreover, it may bring in investments of more than ?3,000 crores.
- With the inclusion of telecom equipment manufacturing under the ambit of PLI schemes, the total number of sectors under such programmes stands at 13.