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New Green Revolution/ Green Revolution 2.0

- The **Green Revolution** of the 1960s
- Saved India from **chronic food shortages**.
- To increase **yields** and total **grain output**

✓ High yielding varieties of grains

✓ Irrigation

✓ Use of chemical fertilisers

1940's
Bengal
Famine ✓

➤ Innovations first took hold in then state of **Punjab**.

➤ **PDS**: procures **wheat** and **rice** at **minimum prices** and makes them available to **consumers** at **subsidised prices**.

➤ But today, the word “**Green**” has a different meaning.

Ecosystem

Air

Water

Plants

Animals



➤ Over **five decades** ago, India's government needed to **solve** the problem of **food shortages**, and **vigorously promoted** the **Green Revolution**.

➤ Enhanced **prosperity** followed for the state along with a **sense of pride** in **feeding the nation**, in being India's **breadbasket**.

➤ But, already by the early **1970s**, **problems** were beginning to emerge.

- The **rivers** of the plains were not able to provide enough **water**.
- This **problem** grew worse when **rice** began to be grown in Punjab.
- **Wheat-rice cycle** took place.
- Without enough water from rivers and **canals, tubewells** powered by electric pumps became a major source of water for irrigation.
- **Groundwater** levels began to fall ↓

- Attempts at **crop diversification** failed in the face of the dominance of the **PDS** and **guaranteed minimum prices** for wheat and rice.
- Punjab will turn into a **desert** in just a few years.
- The bottom line is that this is a **national problem, not a local or regional one.**

➤ New Green Revolution will involve

crop diversification ✓

economic diversification (including animal husbandry, food processing and more),

reinvented agricultural extension system

implementation of numerous technologies for saving water

reducing use of chemical fertilisers ✓

major overhaul of the PDS system ✓

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- A New Green Revolution will require a deep version of **cooperative federalism**.
- Cooperation will have to be not just between the **Centre** and **states**, but among the **states themselves**, particularly Punjab, Haryana, and Himachal Pradesh.
- New Green Revolution will have to involve a **shared vision** with the people of the **region**, and of the **country**, about ***what future prosperity can look like***.

➤ Farmers in the **1960s** certainly followed **economic incentives**, but they also felt they were part of a **national vision** of improving the lot of the entire population.

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