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Why In The News?

- As Many As **90% Of Beggars Arrested In Foreign Countries Belong To Pakistan**. The Senate Standing Committee On Overseas Pakistanis Was Informed On Wednesday That A Large Number Of Beggars From Pakistan Were Moving Abroad, Which Has Further Spurred "**Human Trafficking**".
- Overseas Ministry Secretary **Zulfikar Haider** Disclosed This During A Discussion In The Senate Panel On The Issue Of Skilled And Unskilled Labour Leaving The Country. He Further Said That Many Beggars Exploited **Pilgrim Visas To Travel To Saudi Arabia, Iran And Iraq**.

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What Do We Know?

- A Significant Number Of **Pickpockets Were Arrested** At Holy Sites And Were Identified To Be Pakistani Nationals. Meanwhile **Japan Has Now Emerged As A New Destination** Of Such Visitors.
- As Many As **50,000 Engineers In Pakistan Were Unemployed**. Approximately Three Million People Were In Saudi Arabia, 1.5 Million Pakistanis Were In The UAE, While 0.2 Million Were In Qatar.
- Mr Haider Urged **A Collaboration Is Needed** With The Ministry Of Foreign Affairs And Related Agencies To Assist Pakistani Engineers In Finding Employment Opportunities In Countries Like Japan And China, Given The Prevailing Severe Economic Crisis.



- Furthermore, He Acknowledged The Desperation Among Highly Skilled Professionals In Pakistan, Who Are Currently Willing To Accept Salaries As Low As **₹ 15,000 To ₹ 20,000 Per Month.**
- Highlighting The Extreme Desperation Of The Pakistani Population, Some Of Whom Are Even Willing To Pay Significant Sums For Employment Visas Due To **Rampant Inflation And Recession.**