

Afghanistan Earthquake Kills 2,000

Why In The News?

- More Than **2,400 People Were Killed** In Earthquakes In Afghanistan, The Taliban Administration Said On Sunday, In The Deadliest Tremors To Rock The Quake-Prone Mountainous Country In Years.
- As Per U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) The Quakes In The West Of The Country Hit 35 Km Northwest Of The City Of Herat, With One Of **6.3 Magnitude**. They Were Among The **World's Deadliest Quakes This Year**, After Tremors In Turkey And Syria Killed An Estimated 50,000 In February.



Afghan earthquakes kill 2,445, Taliban say, as deaths mount

Worst Afghan Earthquakes In Last Decades

- **Badakhshan, 2023:** A **Magnitude 6.5 Earthquake** Struck The Sparsely Populated Northeastern Province Of Badakhshan, 40 Km (25 Miles) Southeast Of Jurm Village, **Killing At Least 13 People** In Afghanistan And Neighbouring Pakistan.
- **Kunar, September 2022:** As Afghanistan Was Recovering From Strong Earthquakes Three Months Earlier, Tremors Hit **Kunar Province** In September, Killing Eight.
- **Paktika, June 2022:** A **Magnitude 6.1 Earthquake Killed 1,036 People** In The Eastern Province Of Paktika, Causing Widespread Damage And Forcing Afghanistan To Appeal For International Aid.
- **Hindu Kush, 2015:** A Quake Of **Magnitude 7.5**, One Of The Largest In Afghanistan's Recorded History, **Killed 399 People** In Afghanistan And Neighbours Pakistan And India.
- **Hindu Kush, 2002:** Twin Earthquakes In The Hindu Kush In March 2002 Killed A Total Of 1,100.



- **Hindu Kush, 1991:** An Earthquake In The Hindu Kush Killed 848 People Across Afghanistan, Pakistan And The Soviet Union.
- **Qayen, 1997:** A Magnitude 7.2 Quake On The Border Of Afghanistan And Iran Killed More Than 1,500 In Both Countries And Destroyed More Than 10,000 Homes.
- **Takhar, February-May 1998:** An Earthquake In The Remote Northeastern Province Of Takhar Killed At Least 2,300 People, With Some Estimates Ranging As High As 4,000. Three Months Later, A Quake Of Magnitude 6.6 In The Same Region Killed 4,700.