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1 Vibrant Villages Programme (VVP) (Source: The Hindu)

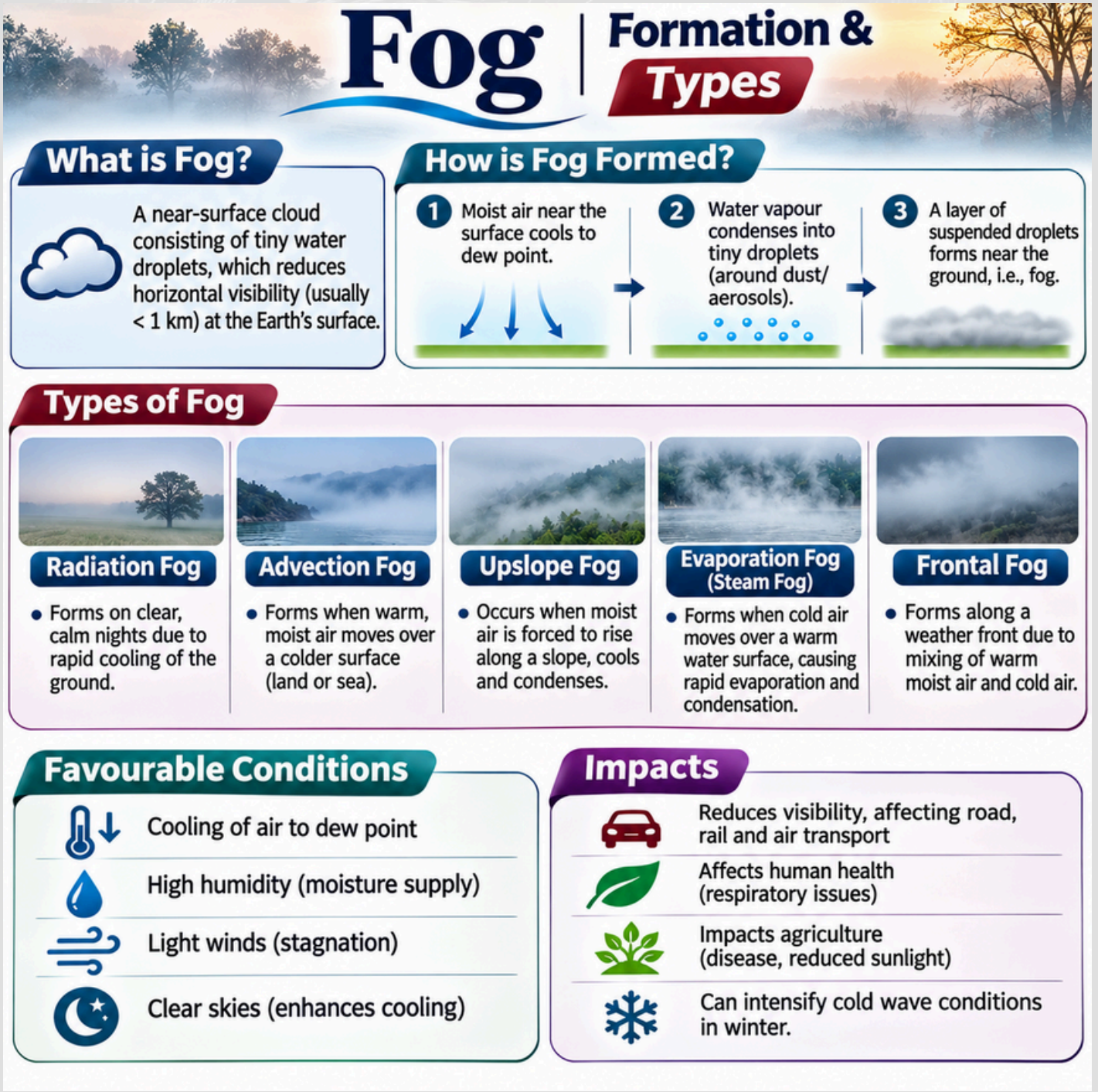
- **Ministry**: Ministry of Home Affairs
- **Funding**: Centrally Sponsored
- **Fact**: Vibrant Villages Programme (VVP) has been announced in the Finance Minister's Budget Speech 2022.
- **Objectives**
  - It focuses livelihood generation, road connectivity, housing, rural infrastructure, renewable energy, television and broadband connections.
  - This objective will be met by strengthening infrastructure across villages located near the Line of Actual Control (LAC).
  - Under the programme, residential and tourist centres will be constructed.

Vibrant Villages Programme (VVP-II)

- **Objective**: Comprehensive development of border villages to enhance living conditions, create livelihood opportunities, improve internal security, and integrate border populations as allies to the security forces.
- **Goal**: Contribute to the vision of Viksit Bharat@2047 and ensure safe, secure, and vibrant borders.
- **Coverage**: Strategic villages in 17 states and union territories, including Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Gujarat, J&K, Ladakh, and others.
- **Implementation Period**: Till 2028-29

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2 Fog and Its Formation (Source: The Indian Express)



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3 Turkey (Source: The Hindu)

- **Location**: Turkey is a transcontinental country located mainly on the Anatolian Peninsula in Western Asia, with a small portion on the Balkan Peninsula in Europe, which is separated by the Bosporus Strait, the Sea of Marmara, and the Dardanelles Strait.
- **Capital**: Ankara
- **Bordering Countries**: Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Iran, Iraq, Syria, Greece, Bulgaria and a maritime border with Cyprus.
- **Bordering Waterbodies**: Black Sea and Mediterranean Sea.
- **Climate**: Mediterranean climate
- **International Relations**: Turkey is a founding member of groupings like the OECD , OIC , G - 20. Turkey is also a member of NATO.

