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provides areas classified as the most eco-sensitive



region of the islands which includes turtle nesting grounds, marshes, coral reefs etc)

- ☐ The notification also allows for construction of roads, roads on stilts by reclaiming land in exceptional cases for defense installations, public utilities or strategic purposes in eco-sensitive zones.
- ☐ In case construction of such roads pass through mangroves, a minimum three times the mangrove area destroyed during the construction process shall be taken up for compensatory plantation of mangroves elsewhere.

What are the concerns over IPZ 2019?

- □ It brings the norms for Andaman and Nicobar at par with Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) 2018 norms for other islands close to the mainland and backwater islands where a No Development Zone (NDZ)is only 20 meters from HTL.
- ☐ Previously, IPZ 2011 stipulated an NDZ of 200 meters from the HTL for all islands.
- ☐ Only pipelines, transmission lines, trans-harbor links to be laid in the eco-sensitive zone were permitted. Now road construction is allowed.