

All India Trade Union Congress (AITUC) turned 100



Why in News?

The All India Trade Union Congress completed its 101 years of formation on October 31st 2020.

Formation of AITUC– All India Trade Union Congress

- ✓ The founding conference or the first session of AITUC began on October 31st 1920, in Empire Theatre Bombay with Lala Lajpat Rai as the founding President.
- ✓ AITUC in its second session in 1921 in Jharia had adopted a resolution of Swaraj (Complete independence from British rule), almost eight years before the platform of freedom struggle- the Indian National Congress adopted such resolution in 1929.

About AITUC

- ✓ The All India Trade union Congress is the oldest trade union federations in India.
- ✓ Since its inception when unions became organised on party lines, AITUC was the primary trade union organisation in India working under the Indian National Congress. Know about the establishment of Indian National Congress on the linked article
- ✓ Since 1945, the All India Trade Union Congress has been politically associated with the Communist Party of India.
- ✓ In the aftermath of the Second World War the AITUC played a significant role in the foundation of the World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU).
- ✓ AITUC is governed by a body headed by National President Ramendra Kumar and General Secretary Amarjeet Kaur, both politicians affiliated with Communist Party of India.