

minilateralism are smart alternative to cumbersome multilateralism & formal alliances. Analyse

minilateralism is the grouping of handful of nations working on common goals and shared agenda. They are not against multilateralism but they are the bridge between bilateral and multilateral relationships.

Cumbersome multilateralism

* Complex and time consuming. The Russia - Ukraine conflict is going in the third year still the conflict has not yet stopped.

* India has spent decades in naming terrorist on the UNSC 1267 Sanctions committee due to objections.

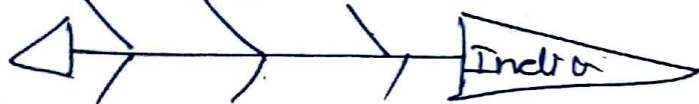
* Multilateralism largely benefits big corporations, leaving small businesses

* Climate targets case not taken seriously in multilateral groupings. The US pulled out of Paris deal and rejoined.

minilaterals are viable options to fill the vacuum generated by multilateral negotiations.

Rise of minilateralism

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* minilateralism

fulfills the vacuum of world being a

multi polar which is multi aligned and multi networked.

* Economic co-operation is materialised at a faster rate. The New Development Bank has sanctioned large of credits to many countries which is evident from the expansion of groupings.

* Securing energy security The lithium triangle countries - Argentina, Bolivia, Chile are chalking out plans to set up organization such as OPEC to secure lithium reserves

* Leverages the tracks 2 and tracks 3 diplomacy which can be seen in release of marines from death sentence from Qatar.

* Greater focus to third world countries - projects in Kenya and Mozambique by India to quote.

Challenges strengthening of multilateralism can pose threat to multilateralism as the world order is already fragmented

multilateralism is seen as a window of opportunity to nations who have been mute in formal alliances. India is leading from the front which is a good sign.