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Q.1) 'Team 9' is associated with India and

- a) West Arica
- b) ASEAN
- c) South America
- d) East Europe

Q.1) Solution (a)

In a bid to expand its economic reach, India launched an initiative in 2004 called Techno-Economic Approach for Africa–India Movement (TEAM–9), together with eight energy- and resource-rich West African countries, including Ivory Coast, Senegal, Mali, Guinea-Bissau, Ghana, and Burkina Faso. According to the Indian Ministry of External Affairs, the initiative was part of a broader policy to engage the underdeveloped, yet resource-wealthy countries of West Africa, which required both low-cost technology and investment to develop their infrastructure.

Source: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1584148>

Q.2) 'PAROS Treaty' was in news recently. What is it associated with

- a) Deep Sea Mining
- b) Arctic Region
- c) Outer Space
- d) High Seas



Q.2) Solution (c)

Read More - <https://www.nti.org/learn/treaties-and-regimes/proposed-prevention-arms-race-space-paros-treaty/>

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Q.3) Consider the following statements with respect to 'Conference on Disarmament (CD)'

1. It was formally inducted into the United Nations in 1998
2. India is a member country of the Conference.

Select the correct statements

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- a) 1 Only
- b) 2 Only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

Q.3) Solution (b)

The Conference is formally independent from the United Nations.[4] However, while it is not formally a UN organization, it is linked to it in various ways. First and foremost, the Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva serves as the Secretary-General of the Conference.

India is a member.

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Q.4) 'Comprehensive Convention on International Terrorism' was first proposed by

- a) India
- b) Russia
- c) United States of America
- d) France



Q.4) Solution (a)

The CCIT was proposed by India in 1996.

For the uninitiated, the CCIT provides a legal framework which makes it binding on all signatories to deny funds and safe havens to terrorist groups. The original draft that was tabled in 1996 and discussed until April 2013, as The Hindu reports, included following major objectives:

- To have a universal definition of terrorism that all 193-members of the UNGA will adopt into their own criminal law
- To ban all terror groups and shut down terror camps
- To prosecute all terrorists under special laws
- To make cross-border terrorism an extraditable offence worldwide.

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Q.5) 'Bishkek Declaration' is associated with

- a) ASEAN
- b) Shanghai Cooperation Organisation
- c) MERCOSUR
- d) BIMSTEC

Q.5) Solution (b)

Read More - <https://www.thehindubusinessline.com/news/india-sco-members-unite-to-condemn-terrorism-in-bishkek-declaration/article27940291.ece>

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