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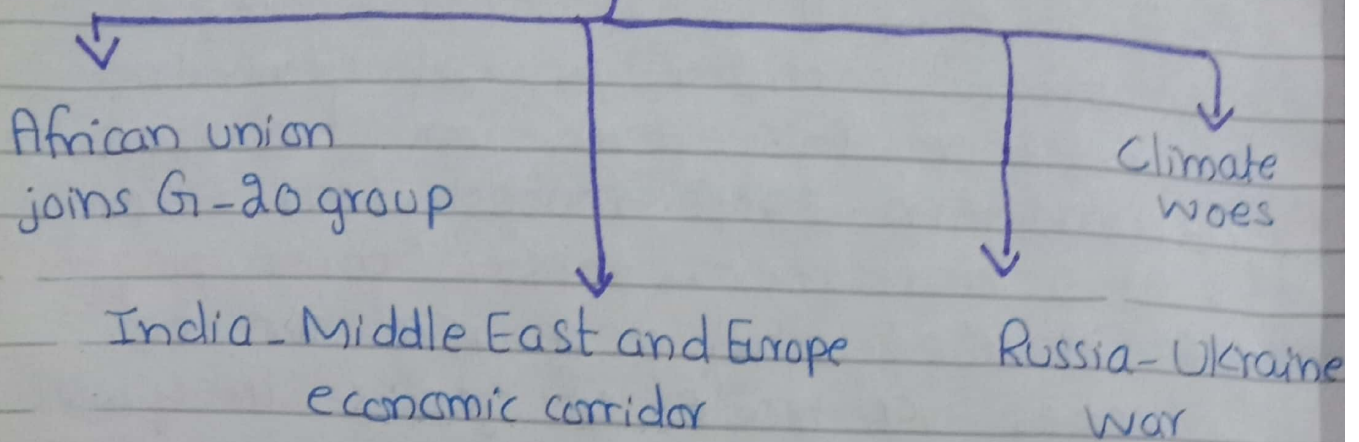
A = G-20 summit, held in New Delhi, on 9th and 10th September 2023 has grabbed world's attention. The theme of this summit was "One Earth, One Family, one Future". It stresses that world is a unified body. So, for proper functioning of the body, all parts have to work efficiently.

Similarly, G-20 is an inter-governmental body comprising of twenty members.

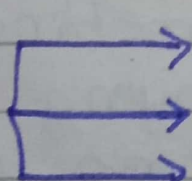
So, all the 20 members have to put effort for making their future. G-20 summit is as important as G-20 itself. Because G-20's contribution in world's gross world product is approximately 85%, contains 2/3 world's population and has a share of 75% in international trade. It is undenying fact that the decisions and declarations of G-20 have far-reaching implications.

During G-20 summit 2023, a number of key decisions are being taken. which unveil that world is moving towards multipolarity rather than being unipolarity or Bi-polarity.

Some key take ways of Summit G-20 Summit



1) African Union - a new member of G-20
African Union comprising of 55 countries have combined GDP of **3 trillion** dollars, officially declared it as part of G-20 organisation. It is a major achievement for G-20 as share of developing countries has increased. Now, G-20 comprises of 21 members.

Members  19 sovereign countries
European Union
African Union

G-20 is strengthened with the inclusion of African union. It has paved the way for economic development of Africa with the collaboration of G-20 members such as USA, China, Russia, European countries etc.

2) India - Middle East - Europe Economic Corridor

India - Middle East and Europe economic corridor is of immense importance. This deal can be regarded as **modern spice routes** deal. According to this agreement, these three players will develop rail and sea route linkages for trade of goods. They will also focus on renewable energy sources and networking. The most astonishing aspect of this deal is that middle eastern countries which are the part of this corridor are Saudi Arab, UAE, Jordan and Israel. As it is evident from history that Arab countries and Israel have remained enemies and have not develop convivial and economic relations. This deal poses that ice is melting between them and they are trying to overcome rifts for their economic gains. Saudi Arabia which represents itself as **Muslim world leader** has become ready to develop economic relationships in the name of this deal. It is a major setback for muslim countries as well as Pakistan which have not recognized Israel.

Another important aspect of this corridor is that it seems as a rival of China's Belt and Road Initiative and Russia's North and South economic corridor. It is being considered that it is launched to contain China's excessive control and influence across world especially in Middle East. Joe Biden, President of US, has also declared it "a big deal". As it will connect India to Europe through middle east.

India → Middle East → Europe

There are also among major economies of world. As India contributes 3.23 trillion dollars in world economy with population of 1.4 billion. Middle Eastern countries are oil rich countries while Europe is economically sound, having a large export destination market. This modern spice route will be a major breakthrough in form of Saudia (Middle East) and Israel closeness and anti-Communist weapon for curtailing China expanding hegemony.

"According to Peter Mandelson, In the space of a decade, China and India have emerged as dramatic, dynamic competitors."

1) Italy exit from BRI project

During this G-20 summit, another important declaration was made that is exit of Italy from Belt and Road initiative of China. As Italy had become of BRI in 2019 and it was first European country which joins China project. Now in 2023, Italy equittal from BRI is a setback for China. It might be done under US pressure for de-stabilizing BRI project.

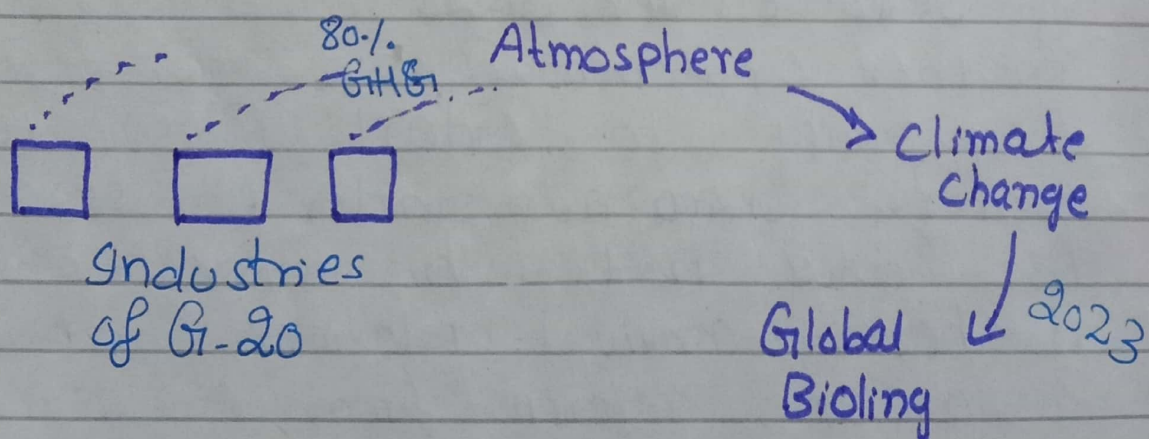
Italy join \rightarrow China \rightarrow Exit
2019 BRI 2023

Italy has become member of anti-China or BRI project - that is India-Middle East and Europe economic Corridor.

2) Climate failures

During G-20 summit, G-20 countries have admitted climate failures. As the world has entered the phase of Global Boiling which has raised serious climate concerns for whole world. G-20 members have decided to make Biofuel Alliance for gathering 100bn\$ to finance climate change affected.

They also aimed to curtail global temperature rising more than 1.5 degree Celsius as well as slashing green houses emissions by 26-1. against before 2019 levels. Although, G-20 members are striving to develop new agreements for meeting climate failures but the fact cannot be denied that about 80% of green house gases are being emitted by G-20 members. They have failed to mitigate their emission levels. As G-20 countries are the hub of world's top fastest growing and industrialized countries like US, China, Russia, India etc. They are not ready to do trade-off between their **economic growth** and **Climate protection**. This double faceted game has aggravated climate crisis.



The massive world polluters are doing climate agreements without compromising their own economic growths.

→ Russia Ukraine

One of the most important issue of 21st century is Russia-Ukraine conflict. Due to war between them, world has faced huge economic losses in the form of high crude oil prices and food crisis. World has always criticized Russia for its ill-gotten invasion in Ukraine, at almost every international forum. But surprisingly, in G-20 summit 2023, G-20 members including US that is anti-Russia, have stressed on resolving Russia-Ukraine but without condemning or criticising Russia. Ukraine foreign minister passed the statement on summit that this summit is not to be proud of. Because the G-20 members have neither condemn Russia nor formulated any policy to curtail Russia from taking Ukraine under its seige. As India hosts this summit and it shares convivial relations with Russia, so it refrain from criticizing Russia. While US needs partnership with India to contain China in Indo-pacific region that is a hotspot of rivalry.

Similarly, European union and Middle East countries have signed economic corridor agreement with India. So they also have followed India's stance. This unveils that economic heft overshadows morality.

•) Pakistan Role

Pakistan is although not the part of G-20 members but it has to realized that it is part of world.

It has to adopt pragmatic approach to come out of dormant and passive stage and present itself as an active member of world.

World is attracting towards India, world's biggest consumer market. Similarly Muslim brethren countries are also striving towards normalizing relations with Israel. Pakistan has to adopt a rational and balanced foreign policy for mending its ties with world.

Conclusion

G-20 summit 2023 has surprised world in the form of India-Middle-Europe corridor, closeness of Middle east and Israel, not criticizing Russia and Italy exit from BRT project.