

CURRENT AFFAIRS

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The UN efforts for nuclear non-proliferation (short note) (10 marks each).

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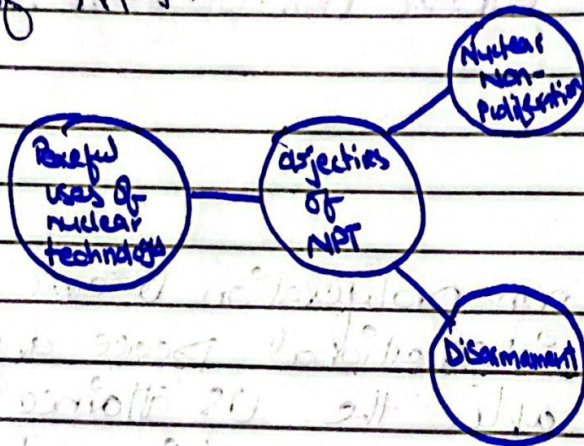
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INTRODUCTION:

The issue of non-proliferation became a threat for international peace and stability right after the US attained nuclear monopoly. It was time after Dwight D. Eisenhower's speech for "Atoms for Peace" to establish a non-proliferation regime to hinder the lethal technology to reach into the hands of other states. Thus, in efforts for controlling nuclear non-proliferation, the United Nations has played a significant role. Following are the efforts taken place by UN to stop the flow of technology to others.

i) Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty:

Under United Nation Security Council Resolution 1655, the countries were asked to form a treaty and the creation of which was inevitable. Under NPT, the UN has made an unprecedented efforts to stop states from acquiring, transferring and using nuclear technology for disastrous reasons. Following are the objectives of NPT.



ii) Creation of Organizations Like UNIDIR and UNODA:-

UN has 2 major organizations which deal with disarmament and its research specifically. United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research and United Nations Office of Disarmament Affairs are important bodies which regularly publish research papers to create awareness among people.

regarding the catastrophe of nuclear, biological and chemical weapons.

iii) Engaging the Youth in Disarmament Affairs:

UN has also sought to provide disarmament education to youth around the world. The UN Body "UNODA" has a programme known as "Youth4Disarmament" which engages youth from all around the world to participate in disarmament discussions.

iv) Disarmament Efforts by TPNW under UN:

UN has also played an important role in Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons. In UNGA, the resolution was passed to create a treaty for complete and indiscriminate nuclear disarmament. Under this treaty, states (all of them) are prohibited from acquiring, transferring, using, and stockpiling of fissile material while giving strict access to IAEA over nuclear facilities.

Conclusion:

Therefore, UN has taken important steps to curb the non-proliferation challenges from all around the world and many states have given up their nuclear arsenals while only 7-8 states possess nuclear weapons globally. Thus, US has been successful in this regard.