

# India, UAE & France Trilateral Cooperation Initiative

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**Context-** India has recently joined UAE, and France for a trilateral Cooperation Initiative in fields including energy, defence, and economy.

## **Key Highlights**

- The trilateral was first discussed on the sidelines of the **UN General Assembly** in New York in September 2022.
- The initiative will focus on various fields such as
  - Nuclear and solar power
  - Climate change and biodiversity
  - Defence preparation
  - Countering infectious diseases
  - Agenda of Trilateral Cooperation
- It will also serve as a forum to promote the design and execution of cooperation projects in the fields of energy, with a focus on solar and nuclear energy.
- The initiative will help in the fight against climate change and the protection of biodiversity, particularly in the Indian Ocean region.
- The three sides desired to cooperate in the field of circular economy under the aegis of India's **Mission LiFE**.
- They also agreed to expand their cooperation through initiatives such as the **Mangrove Alliance for Climate led by the UAE and the Indo-Pacific Parks Partnership led by India and France**.

- The countries have agreed to cooperate in defence preparation and also in countering infectious diseases.
- It seeks to promote cooperation in multilateral organizations like **World Health Organization (WHO), Gavi-the Vaccine Alliance, Global Fund, and Unitaaid.**
- They will also cooperate to implement the One Health approach and support the development of local capacities in biomedical innovation and production within developing countries.

## ***Global initiatives launched by India for Clean Energy***

### **Mission Life**

- It aims at mobilising at least one billion Indians and other global citizens to take individual and collective action for conserving the environment in the period 2022-28.
- It is piloted by NITI Aayog and also implemented by the Ministry of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change.

### **International Solar Alliance (ISA)**

- ISA's main objective is to scale up solar energy and reduce the cost of solar power generation through the aggregation of demand for solar finance, technologies, innovation, research, and development, and capacity building.

## ***One sun, one world, one grid project (OSOWOG)***

- The project is based on the vision of building and scaling inter-regional energy grids to share solar energy across the globe. It can be the solution to most of our global problems in the energy sector.

## ***India's commitment at COP26 Glasgow summit***

- To increase India's non-fossil fuel energy capacity to 500 GW by 2030.
- To reduce the carbon intensity of India by more than 45% by 2030.
- India will achieve the target of net zero carbon emissions by the year 2070.

## ***Mission Innovation CleanTech Exchange***

- The network provides access to the expertise and market insights required to support new technologies to access new markets globally