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News: India joins UAE, France for trilateral on clean energy, counter pandemic steps

- India, France and the United Arab Emirates recently declared their common intent to formalize a “trilateral cooperation initiative” to collaborate on nuclear energy and explore opportunities in the Indian Ocean region.
- The Foreign Ministers of the three countries held a telephonic conversation in this regard and agreed to work together in the field of solar and nuclear energy, climate change and biodiversity.
- The three sides agreed that the trilateral initiative will 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, as well as in the fight against climate change and the protection of biodiversity, particularly in the Indian Ocean region.
- It was further agreed that a range of trilateral events will be held in the backdrop of the Indian Presidency of the G20 here and COP28 to be held in UAE in November –December 2023.
- The countries have also agreed to cooperate in defence preparation and in countering infectious diseases.