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Why is India taking keen interest in the Arctic region?

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Salient features of world's physical geography.

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Himadri, 2008

India's Arctic research station at Ny-Ålesund, Svalbard.

Arctic Council observer

India holds observer status among states that discuss Arctic environment and cooperation.

Northern Sea Route

Shipping lane along Russia's Arctic coast that can shorten Europe-Asia voyages when ice allows.

Arctic amplification

The polar region warming faster than the global average, with effects on jet streams and ice.

UNCLOS

Law of the Sea framework that still governs Arctic waters and claims; India is not an Arctic coastal state.

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