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Q19

What are the key areas of reform if the WTO has to survive in the present context of 'Trade War', especially keeping in mind the interest of India? (15).

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Important International institutions, agencies and fora - their structure, mandate.

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WTO Appellate Body crisis

The United States blocked appointments; the Body fell below a working quorum, allowing appeal into the void.

Bali peace clause (2013)

Interim protection for developing-country public stockholding; India still seeks a permanent solution.

GATT Article XXI

Security exception increasingly used to justify tariffs in the trade-war years.

Special Safeguard Mechanism

Developing-country demand to raise tariffs against import surges in agriculture; still unfinished.

Mode 4 (GATS)

Movement of natural persons; a long-standing Indian export interest in services talks.

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