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Q4(b)

**The return of trade barriers and economic sanctions has diminished the spirit of GATT. In this context, discuss the factors contributing to the decline of WTO in recent times.**

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2024 · PSIR GS 2 · 15 marks · Comparative Politics

Comparative Politics: Nature and major approaches; political economy and political sociology perspectives; limitations of the comparative method.

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**Appellate Body crisis**

U.S. refusal to appoint members left the second-tier court without a quorum, allowing appeals into the void.

**Doha Round**

Launched 2001 as a development round; never concluded as a single undertaking.

**China accession 2001**

Brought a large state-capitalist trader into WTO rules written for a different mix of members.

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