

# CLASS:--12<sup>TH</sup>, POLITICAL SCIENCE, CHAPTER :- 1

## The Cold War Era

### FACTS THAT MATTER

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1. The Soviet Union created Eastern alliance known as WARSAW PACT.
2. Smaller states joined either the alliance to get the promise of protection, weapons and economic aid against their local rivals.
3. Superpower required them to gain on access to vital resources, territory to launch weapons and troops, to spy on each other and economic support.
4. Despite of occurring crisis in Korea, Vietnam and Afghanistan, both the superpowers behaved rationally and responsibly.
5. Both the superpowers maintained 'arms control' by signing various treaties as Limited Test Ban Treaty, Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty and Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty.
6. Countries outside the two blocs known as NAM (Non-Aligned Movement), joined by decolonised countries of Asia, Africa, and Latin America, played a crucial role in reducing cold war conflicts to maintain peace and stability all over the world.