

RIVISON NOTES :-

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Chapter:-04

ALTERNATIVE CENTER POWER

WORDS that MATTER:-

European Union: A group of European Capitalist countries established in 1992 founded for common goals of foreign and security policy, cooperation and home affairs.

- 1. OEEC :-** Organisation for European Economic Cooperation established in 1948 to channel aid to West European states to cooperate on trade and economic issues.
- 2. Marshall Plan:** It was introduced by America to provide financial help for revival of European economy.
- 3. ASEAN:** Association of South East Asian Nations to accelerate economic growth through social progress and cultural development.
- 4. ASEAN WAY:** An interaction that is informal, non-confrontationists and cooperative to promote supernational structures.
- 5. ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF):** An organisation established in 1994 to promote coordination of security and foreign policy.

6. **Special Economic Zones (SEZs):** Foreign investors could set up their own enterprises in these zones.

7. **Open Door Policy:** To invite investment of capital and technology from abroad.

8. **Three Pillars of ASEAN**

9. **Community:** ASEAN Security Community, ASEAN Economic Community, ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community.

TIMELINE :-

1. **April 1951:** Six West European Countries, France, West Germany, Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg sign the Treaty of Paris establishing the European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC).

2. March 25, 1957: These six countries sign the treaties of Rome establishing the European Economic Community (EEC) and the European Atomic Energy Community (EURATOM).

3. January 1973: Denmark, Ireland and United Kingdom join the European Community.

4. June 1979: First direct elections to the European Parliament.

5. January 1981: Greece joins the EC.

6. The Schengen Agreement abolishes border controls among the EC numbers.

7. **January 1986:** Spain and Portugal join the EC.
8. **October 1990:** Unification of Germany.
9. **February 7, 1992:** Treaty of Maastricht was signed establishing the European Union.
10. **January 1993:** The single market was created.
11. **January 1995:** Austria, Finland and Sweden join the EU.
12. **January 2002:** Euro, the new currency, was introduced in the 12 EU members.
13. **May 2004:** Ten new members Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary,

Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia join the EU.

14. January 2007: Bulgaria and Romania join the EU. Slovenia adopts the EURO.