

## **Pacific Islands Forum**

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- Pacific Island Forum is an 'Inter-governmental organization'. It was established in year 1971.
- The objective of the organization is **to work in support of Forum member** governments, to enhance the economic and social well-being of the people of the South Pacific by fostering cooperation between governments and between international agencies.
- The summit of the organization held annually and which is presided by the host country. The summit discusses about decisions related to the development and implementations of policies in the region.
- The forum has 18 members, which are as follows- Australia, Cook Islands, Federation of Micronesia, Fiji, French Polynesia, Kribati, Nauru, Palau, Republic of Marshal Island, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Niue, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu.
- Recently, due to interference in the political activities of Micronesian **countries and earthquake in Tonga**, this organization is in a lot of discussion.

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