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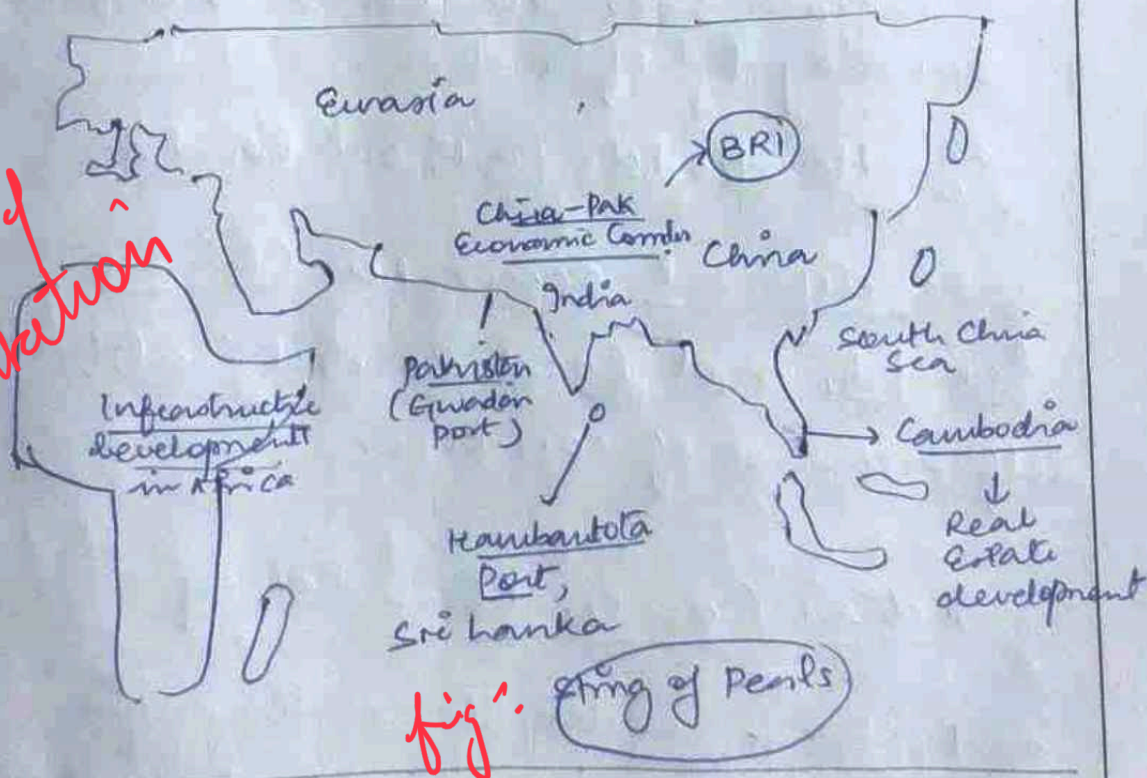
Q:-

China's policy has often been termed as "wolf warriors" strategy that involves aggression and clever techniques to expand geopolitical footprint.

good
info

China's Debt Trap Policy & Self-Reliance

v. good
presentation



- Debt trap policy refers to excessive investments in countries by China which countries are then unable to repay, in return for which, China takes over capital / land as reimbursement.

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good coverage of point may give headings

- China hogs the economy of the nation and holds a large influence in policies of the nation. *affected in country's trade with Pak etc*

eg: Cambodia is heavily invested by China and is also very highly influenced by the nation.

- Control & ownership of important regions goes to China → affecting sovereignty of nation

eg: Hambantota Port, Sri Lanka

- Development occurs for Chinese benefit, not local benefit - affects self reliance of countries

India's Counter-China Policy

- Dialogue with China through bilateral talks, multilateral cooperation eg: SCO.

- India join hands with South East Asian Nations to develop diplomatically,

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Economic & cultural relation. with
India
eg: India-ASEAN
Mekong-Ganga Cooperation
• Act East Policy
• Transport Corridors to counter
Chinese BRI: International North
South Transport Corridor.

conclusion
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excellent

India must engage in fields
of environment, infrastructure,
trade and culture to ensure a
free and open Indian Ocean Region
in the face of Chinese hegemony.

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Data Diplomacy refers to
the use of data as a tool for
enhancing bilateral or multilateral
relations at the world stage.
Significance of Data Diplomacy

• With the 4th Industrial Revolution, data is as much a resource as labour and capital.

• Growth in the cyberspace and development of social media giants like Google, Facebook, Twitter has revolutionized the importance of data.

• Data is power for various multinational companies (MNCs) as well as nations/trade blocs.

• Data is used for various purposes eg: security, trade & marketing, financial growth, networking, etc.

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- Sharing of data / openness of data can enhance partnership & trust amongst nations.

- Hiding data often leads to cyber security concerns and distrust.

good coverage of points
Challenge of Data Diplomacy

- Data privacy - inadequacy of international legally binding framework on data security apart from Budapest Convention on CyberSecurity.

- Data localization concerns - the sovereignty of a nation comes under question when MNCs demand data for commercial purposes.

- Use of data - Ethical Perspective - is data being misused? Who decides? Absence of court centred on data concerns.

- Absence of national data protection laws :- Recent bill in India scrapped.

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or way toward
or suggesting measures
like digital data protection bill features

Diplomacy is essential for
enhancing bilateral growth and
establishing India as a global leader.
However, the Puttaswamy Judgement
declaring privacy as a fundamental
Right is important to remember.
Data diplomacy should not trump
democratic rights of citizen.

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The Indian diaspora refers to the population of Indian origin individuals (NRIs, PIOs, OCIs & Indian nationals) living outside of India.

INDIAN DIASPORA & ASEAN

- ① Indian Embassies, Consulates in ASEAN countries have Indian government servants posted on mission to enhance bilateral ties in politics and geconomics.
- ② Indian Council for Cultural Relations Centres work to enhance cultural ties.
- ③ Tourists in ASEAN nations
→ Angkor Wat, Cambodia is one of the most visited temples by Indians.
- ④ Archeological Survey of India note
→ Ta Prohm temple, Cambodia being preserved by ASI

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① labourers and professional workers
from India working in ASEAN nations.

② Education - University Student Exchange
programme involves Indian going to
ASEAN countries universities for higher
education.

need for enhanced Indo-ASEAN ties

③ Cultural contact - People-to-people
relations can be strengthened through
merging of Indian and ASEAN cultures.

④ Act East Policy + extension of India's
Buddhist corridor to include Buddhist
states eg: Thailand, Cambodia.

⑤ Professional contacts with Indian
diapora : eg: Singapore Financial
sectors inherent.

⑥ Environmental work in archipelagos
of Indonesia, Malaysia, Brunei.

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Indo-ASEAN ties can be strengthened permanently through cultural integration. However, there is a growing need for geopolitical and geo-economic alignment if India is to be a regional leader and counter an aggressive China.

good
conclusion

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PMISTEC - A vehicle of Transformation

① Economic Transformation

- a) Trade enhancement through
CEPA, CECA [Free Trade Agreements]
- b) Infrastructure development
eg: roads, economic corridors,
hydroelectric power, bridges
- c) Reduced cross border logistics
costs
- d) Countering China's CPEC, BRI

② Political Transformation

- a) India as a regional leader
- b) trusted investor and democratic
ideals of free and open Indian
Ocean Region
- c) encourage SAGAR - Security &
Growth for all in the region as
opposed to Chinese hegemony

③ Environmental Transformation

- a) Sustainable fisheries and life
below water (SDG14) in
Indian Ocean region.

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- b) safe disaster resilience infrastructure
- c) coral reefs / mangroves support,
integrated coastal management system
- d) Support to island nations at
threat from sea level rise.
- e) solar energy development
- ④ Cultural / social Transformation
 - a) Enhanced people-to-people ties
 - b) Reduced drug menace
[Golden Triangle]
 - c) Indo-ASEAN connect [Myanmar,
Thailand]
 - d) Spread of Buddhist culture &
tourism.

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BRIMSTOC has the potential to
transform Asia South Asia in all
spheres and simultaneously set India
up as a global power.

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Indo-Bangladesh relations stem from ancient India [Pala universities like Odantapuri, etc spread to current Bangladesh region] all the way to British rule and finally its independence in 1971

Recent Changes in Bangla-India Relation

① Betterment of Relations

a) Far more Bangla infrastructural cooperation

b) Cooperation under SAARC & BIMSTEC

c) India's Look East Policy involves Bangla growth

d) River / flooding management

e) Bilateral trade mainly in textile exports from Bangladesh to India

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② Sourcing of Relation

- a) CAA [Citizenship Amendment Act] labelling Bangladesh as a country that criticizes its minority population.
- b) Illegal migration - porous borders between India & Bangladesh.
- c) Drugs / weapons / insurgency growth.
- d) flooding of rivers and Teesta river dispute.

Challenges

Human Development (poverty) concerns

Rohingya crisis

Phasen Chau Island is not sustainable

Flood management system

Porousness of Borders leading to
- trafficking
- drug trade

Rohingyas

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Add eg. of Teesta

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India & Bangladesh must cooperate
through various frameworks like

- Karisina Dialogue
- Bali Convention [Convention for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure]
- Bilateral Dialogue

to ensure peaceful and pragmatic
relations that enhance ease of living
& ease of doing business in both
regions.

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Q6:-

beg some facts in intro

SL gov failed to pay \$ 78 m debt

India was a major support to an economically & politically faltering Sri Lankan state in its recent crisis.

Sri Lankan Crisis

- Sri Lanka recently faced a balance of payments [and dual gap] crisis.

- ~~It~~ Thoughtless political decisions to make agriculture completely organic → reduced agricultural yields → inflationary pressure and loss of livelihood.

quote facts/charts to support your points

- Easter bombings [terrorism] in 2019 caused a drastic fall in tourism in Sri Lanka - its major export service.

- COVID rendered the economy helpless.

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• Crude oil prices reaching to international supply instability exacerbated the crisis.

old facts
like assistance of 2.5 billion
like 1,000 mt of rice
like nitrogen liquid fertilizer

India - The Stabilizing Power of South Asia
① India provided vaccine support through its vaccine diplomacy mechanism: VACCINE MAITRI

② Food grain export at subsidized level: wheat exports to Sri Lanka

③ Relief packages airdropped to Sri Lankan citizens.

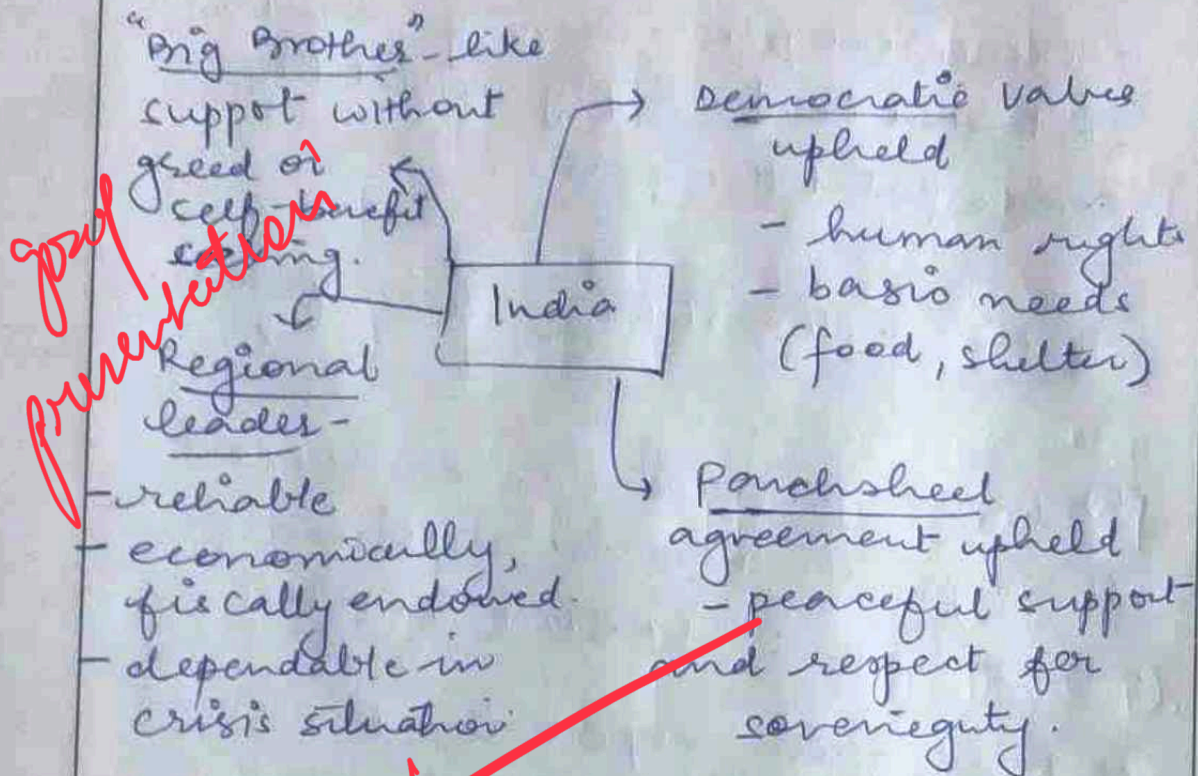
④ Financial support through currency swap mechanism to foreign currency to dollar helped Sri Lankan reserve balance.

Thus, despite a turbulent past [LTT, Rajiv Gandhi assassination, etc.], India opted for peace and humanitarian support to a struggling Sri Lanka.

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India is often portrayed as a weak nation ridden by poverty. However, India has always trumped this perception by standing out in moments like these to establish itself as a dependable, democratic nation.

well concluded

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Excessive aggression against a particular nation is almost always met with equal if not even more aggression. Just like North Korea, Israel and Russia.

NATO encirclement of Russia

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• NATO's expansion westward is a clearly hostile nation blatantly against Russia was seen as a threat by Russia.

• This led to annexation of Crimea in 2014 to ensure defence

• This further caused Russia-Ukraine conflict in Luhansk + Donetsk region as well as a nuclear threat by Russian President Vladimir Putin.

It is highly unlikely that such an occurrence can take place between Quad & China.

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Weaknesses

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① Quad is trying to curtail Chinese aggression and there are fears of Chinese retaliation especially with rise in wolf warrior policy & debt trap policy of China.

② However, Quad is not explicitly anti-China (as opposed to NATO).

③ Quad has been relatively inactive in the security sphere (a talk-shop).

④ New groupings like AUKUS (nuclear submarine pact) have replaced the Quad in posing an obstacle to China.

Thus, NATO and Quad are not necessarily comparable which also goes for Russia & China.

Impact of Russia-Ukraine on India's multipolarity

① Veto by Russia in UNSC has raised talks off over UNSC reforms, expansion of veto powers and permanent membership and ideas of double veto.

well covered points - includes heading for better presentation
no fixed and stern agenda eh.

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- ① General Convention & Hague Convention violations (and nuclear threat) have raised human rights concerns - of which India is a spokesperson
- ② Economic power - India supplied wheat to the world when Russia/Ukraine's exports came to a stop.
- ③ Need for energy supply diversification and establishment of new supply chain with a focus on multipolar growth.

India is taking an independent stand - establishing itself as a non-aligned country and encouraging the politics of all alignment in international realpolitik.

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Q9-

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The Bretton Woods Twins is a reference to the IMF (International Monetary Fund) and the World Bank. The Bretton Woods Conference was held ~~in~~ at the end of WWII :-

Global Order :-

during Bretton Woods

- Communist vs Capitalist system
- extreme emphasis on protectionism
- large economic powers dominated / steered the world.
- Great Depression impacts very recent
- closed economies and emerging globalization

Now

- largely mixed economy
- widely globalized / interconnected
- some recourse to protectionism after supply chain collapse during COVID.
- rise of multipolarity, new forms of trade, trade blocs and organizations, rise of developing nations

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Why is Reform of Bretton Woods Institution Required?

- Trade crisis after COVID 19 pandemic

↳ Global supply chain collapse created vulnerabilities

↳ Overdependence on China

↳ Rise of diversification & protectionist policies of self-sufficiency & self reliance.

Russia - Ukraine Crisis

↳ Supply of oil causing global inflation

↳ wheat / minerals supply impacted

↳ IMF says : worst is yet to come in global recession

- Need for greater representation & recognition of developing country needs

eg: agricultural / export / fisheries / food subsidies

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प्रश्नों के अंदर लिखे शब्दों की संख्या से अधिक शब्दों का उपयोग न करें।
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IMF and WB as well as WTO
need to reform their structures
to represent a multipolar world
by addressing

a) *crisis prevention*
Environmental concerns

b) Developing country requirements

ensure accountability
crisis management
energy security and global stability

concluded very well
Recent Nobel prize in Economics
went to bank-based research -
spelling out the importance of
economic stability - which is
ultimately upheld by the Bretton
Woods Institutions.

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Q1-

Russia's invasion of Ukraine
has put the entire world into
a crisis situation ~~etc~~ of a scale
close to the Cold War era.

Cold War Tested India's Strategic Autonomy

- ① ~~the~~ USA- USSR bipolar world
order forced India to choose sides
- ② On one hand, Russia influenced
India's economic planning. On the
other hand, USA provided food
security PL480 scheme (food
imports).

③ India chose non-alignment :-
choosing to join neither military
grouping, remaining independent
and therefore sovereign.

④ Thus India became the leader
of the 3rd World Nations from the
very start of its independence under
1st Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru.

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India's Strategic Autonomy is tested
yet again under Russia - Ukraine
crisis :-

① India has abstained from various
votes in UNSC and UNGA as a
symbol of its (continued) non-
alignment in an increasingly bi-
polar world.

② India continues economic relations
with both USA and Russia.

↳ India has export (trade) surplus
with USA.

↳ India is still receiving 400 missile
from Russia (despite CAATSA -
US sanctions).

↳ Continued transaction in currency
exchange (Indian to Russian, etc.)
and oil sales.

③ Recent statement by Prime Minister
Narendra Modi has highlighted
India's stand for peace and dialogue
to resolve disputes as opposed to HR
violations.

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thus, India has opted for no single pole; it therefore continues

to prove its

- sovereignty
- steadfastness in the face of great power pressure
- principles balanced by geopolitical demands ✓

Once again, India has proved its international wisdom and independent approach in global politics.

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While formations like Quadrilateral, BIMSTEC and IDR help India engage with the Indo-Pacific region and maritime geopolitics, Indo-Eurasian ties are forming India's Continental perspective.

Challenges in Indo-Eurasian ties

① Geographical proximity -

Europe and Western Asia are relatively far away as well as geographically separated by Hindu Kush mountain range and various deserts & seas.

② Chinese hegemony in Eurasia region

eg: expansion of Belt & Road Initiative

③ Policy Orientation - India has been mostly focused in South & South East Asia (eg: Look East Policy).

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④ Cultural Isolation - India's cultural and heritage matches more with South Asia than Eurasia.

⑤ Pakistan - a geographic, political and historical obstacle that remains persistent in its blockage of India's extension to the west.

Elements of India's Eurasian Strategy

① Economic Element

a) infrastructure growth

eg: International North South Transport Corridor (INSTC) and TAPI pipeline (Tajikistan, Afghanistan, Pakistan, India) for gas transport.

b) development of telecommunication & satellite services through

GSAT and NISAR.

c) Port development - bypassing Pakistan through Iran's Chabahar Port.

d) Connecting Indian Ocean to Caspian Sea in trade.

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② Political Element

- a) Greater engagement in Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO)
- b) International Solar Alliance and Paris Agreement alliance

③ Environmental and Cultural Element

- a) Indian diaspora and people to people linkage (ICCR, embassy, etc).
- b) Hydropower, minerals, solar and wind energy development
- c) nordic countries cooperation in energy

An Indo-Caucasian policy is essential if India is to become a \$ 5 trillion economy and global power as well as to counter the dominance of China.