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TITLE:

Personal choices, the Constitution's endurance

endurance	(n) the ability to bear an unpleasant or difficult process or situation सहनशक्ति
verdict	(n) the decision that is made by a specially chosen group of people (the jury) न्यायालय का निर्णय
intrinsic	(adj) belonging to something as part of its nature; basic (किसी वस्तु की) प्रकृति का अंतरंग; मूलभूत
creed	(n) a set of beliefs or principles धार्मिक मान्यताएँ और सिद्धांत
pejorative	(adj) expressing disapproval or criticism अपमानजनक
quash	(v) to say that an official decision is no longer true or legal आधिकारिक निर्णय को रद्द कर देना
tenets	(n) one of the principles that a theory is based on
whims	(n) a sudden idea or desire to do something सनक, झक



TITLE:

Does India's neighbourhood policy need reworking?

strains	(n) something that makes you feel worried and tense चिंता और तनाव उत्पन्न करने वाली वस्तु
excerpt	(n) a short piece taken from a book, film, piece of music, किसी पुस्तक, फ़िल्म आदि से लिया गया कोई अंश; उद्धरण
episodic	(adj) containing or consisting of a series of separate parts or events. प्रासंगिक
slight	(v) raze or destroy (a fortification).
deficits	(n) loss, घाटा, कमी, अभाव
de facto	(adj) In fact
foray	(n) a sudden attack or incursion into enemy territory
transit	(n) the carrying of people or things from one place to another. पारवहन

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succumbed	(v) to stop fighting against something संघर्ष बंद कर देना, झुक जाना, हार मान लेना
Bear the brunt	(idiom) to absorb the attack
deplete	(v) diminish in number or quantity. किसी वस्तु की मात्रा को घटाना
perils	(n) great danger गंभीर खतरा, संकट
kith and kin	(n) people with whom you are connected like friends and relatives मित्र, निकट संबंधी, रिश्तेदार
deceased	(adj) recently dead दिवंगत



REVISION VOCAB

- culminate** (v.) to reach a final result
अंतिम परिणाम पर पहुँचना; चरम सीमा तक पहुँचना
- oust** (v) to force somebody out of a job or position of power,
किसी को नौकरी या अधिकार के पद से निकाल बाहर करना
- pollsters** (n) a person who conducts or analyses opinion polls.
चुनावकर्ता
- gauge** (Adj.) estimate or determine the amount
किसी वस्तु के मूल्य या प्रभाव को आँकना
- referendum** (n) an occasion when all the people of a country
can vote on a particular political question
विशिष्ट राजनीतिक मुद्दे पर जनमत संग्रह

Does India's neighbourhood policy need reworking?

India should have a plan for continuous engagement at various levels

Recent visits by Foreign Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla and National Security Adviser Ajit Doval to countries in the region appear to show new energy in India's neighbourhood policy.

Over the past few years, there have been many strains in ties with neighbours — for instance, with Nepal over its Constitution in 2015 and now over the map, and with Bangladesh over the Citizenship (Amendment) Act (CAA).

Shyam Saran and Constantino Xavier discuss India's neighbourhood policy in a conversation moderated by Suhasini Haidar. Edited excerpts:

Is India's policy in need of reworking?

Shyam Saran: This new energy is welcome. However, it is extremely important that our engagement with our neighbouring countries should not be episodic. It should not be event-oriented; it should be process-oriented.

And we should have a plan for continuous engagement at various levels. Also, the present political dispensation's domestic drivers have relegated foreign policy objectives to the background, whether it is with respect to Bangladesh and the CAA or, much more dramatically, with Pakistan.

So, I hope that going forward, there will be an awareness that there is a price to be paid if we try to always prioritise domestic factors over foreign policy issues.

Constantino Xavier: I would say that India's neighbourhood policy has been a constant work in progress. It is almost impossible for India to get all its ducks in a row in the neighbourhood at one time as it's a very complex region.

It is one of the largest regions in the world by population. It is one of the least integrated regions with tremendous deficits in terms of infrastructure, connectivity, and interdependence.

And it is a region that is now being exposed to various geopolitical competition dynamics, with China making a grand entry and the U.S. developing relations on its own with some of India's neighbours.

So, this is a difficult region, I think, as any official who has dealt with the region recognises, and there will never be great solutions or great setbacks.



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