

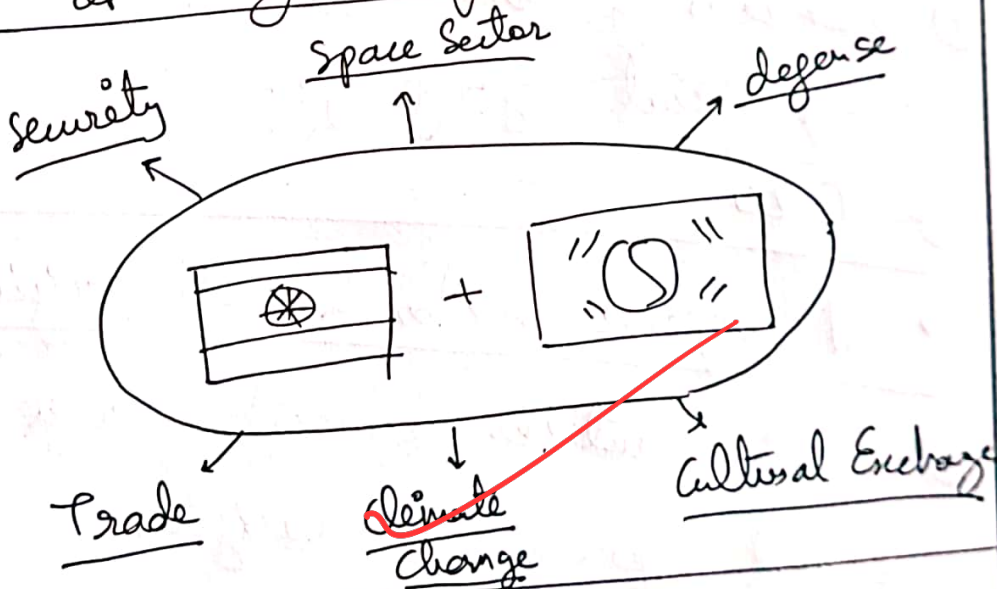


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Since the independence of both countries, India has south Korea has maintained strong diplomatic relations with each other. (1947)

→ Areas of Cooperation:

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→ Significance:

① South Korean brands are very popular in India especially in electronics.

② Samsung.



② Large diaspora working in
the SK.

Ex) IT sector.

③ Both countries show similar
stance of global issues.

Ex) Russia - Ukraine conflict.

④ Members of some the largest
geo-political groupings.

Ex) G20.

→ Defense Sector & Indo-Pacific

① Both countries advocate for a
free and open Indo-Pacific.

Ex) South China Sea Issue.

② Military equipment exchanges and
exercises are very common.

Ex) LCA Tejas.

③ Both Nations support the USA

Add more
dimensions.

in terms of security.

Add defence exercises, MOU signed b/w nation.

(3) India has joined QUAD and South Korea has joined NATO+

(4) Economic diversification of defence exports is on the South Korea's agenda.

(5) China +1 policy.

(6) Both are helping each other in the acquisition of defence tools.

(7) Credit limits for purchases.

→ Challenges:

Discuss briefly:
Mention way forward to foster b/w nation.

→ Racism against Indians in South Korea
→ Menace trade between the two nations
→ Both nations face trade deficit with China.

Addressing these challenges is the need of the hour for a free and open Indo-Pacific region.