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Having multi-faced engagement with Africa, the foreign policy implementation needs a comprehensive review. Critically Analyse.

— As the 4th largest contributor to UN Peace Keeping mission, India holds a significant position in Africa's socio-economic policy domain, as much of the Peace Keeping mission is concentrated in African continent.

But due to various policy paralysis India-Africa is yet to achieve their full potential.

A multifaced engagement and comprehensive review of relation with African countries is the need of the hour to strengthen economic and bilateral relations.

Economy

- India - Africa trade is on decline due to COVID-19
- total investment over 25 yrs April 1996 to March 2021, are just 70 billion \$, which is one third of china's investment in Africa.
- fresh financial resources for grants and concessional loans to Africa must be allocated.
- India's import and export must be bifurcated and enlarged.
- Indian industries should actively participate in African countries

Diplomatic

- Holding of the 4th India-African forum summit at the earliest.
- stressing the need for a permanent seat for Africa in UN Security Council.

- Increasing footprint as UN peace keepers in Africa
- Lending support to African institutions through training and capacity - enhancing assistance.

Security:

- As a strategic partner in counter - terrorism operation
- a potential buyer for India's defence equipment
- Conducting various military exercises with different African countries.
- offering training to various African security forces in India.

Scientific

- Creating Ind-African Scientific Council
- Exporting vaccine to various African countries as vaccine maitri and through COVAX.
- Exchanging students, and allowing African students to study in Indian University through International Scholarship.

Way forward.

It is essential to impart a 21st Century complexion to the partnerships with Africa, to counter china. Cooperation between India and African countries must be multisectoral and multilateral, which is the need of the hour.