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① By enjoying proximity with the West and its ties with other powers, India can act as a balancer and Leader. Analyze.

India started its political journey in 1950s, rooted from the unique freedom struggle measures from Gandhiji and Nehru; They thought that Country's independence would be incomplete without liberation of Asia and Africa, making India a global leader to new things though not with power.

India as a major player and stakeholder:

India has ties covering wide range, parts of Globe.

South Asia, South East Asia, North America
Latin America, IO Region, South Pacific.
Africa.



India also holds leading position in (UN), invite to G7, founding member of BRICS, pivot in G20 making it a major stakeholder.

India's foreign policy

National Interest drives its foreign policy.

Realpolitik plus i.e. also includes Interests values

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Interest like managed balanced approach, external engagement
to revitalize economy, enhance country's image, Do good
to the world

eg: India supply of covid vaccination to more than 80
countries within months of launch

India's balanced approach

Balanced & careful approach with major powers like
UK, US, Russia, China, France, Germany etc;

South block gains priority for India's immediate
Neighbourhood policy eg: SAGAR policy

NAM 1977 ⇒ leader of Have-nots during
Cold war

India as, Balancer and Leader:

Neighbourhood: India's has not left its neighbour
eg: Helped [B.L] through credit concession, LOC to come out of
recent economic crisis

Capability: India's proximity to the west and
capability to coordinate with other side i.e. Russia,

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China etc, makes its a major diplomat.

Indo pacific : Engagements with Japan, Australia & USA makes QUAD a stronger forum. Despite walk out of RCEP, continued focus on ~~THE~~ ASEAN, makes pushback to China.

I2U2 : Came out due to strong ties between India- Israel, & UAE, to keep its foot print in West Asia

Foreign policy making

MEA has become more professional. It is being aided from CSO, media etc;

Wider public

Engagement of youth & business in foreign policy ^{with} ~~makes~~ wider engagement makes India a mature and capable leader to balance relations. G20 presidency will aid to sustain their management