

India's Leader Narendra Modi Restores India to The Empire

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The psychopathic **Narendra Modi**, Prime Minister of India, is trying to have it both ways, for and against the world's only remaining empire, which now is the U.S. empire (India formerly having been <u>"The Raj"</u> of the English Empire — now replacing the old vassalage by a different one); and in doing so is displaying that he adheres to traditional power-politics, instead of to India's former principled anti-imperialistic neutrality (from India's <u>anti-</u> <u>imperialist Congress Party</u>) as regards which of the world's nations will be establishing the socio-cultural-political system that will guide the world in the future.

By Modi's obsession with power-politics, instead of concern for continuing India's antiimperialism, **he is leading his country into an Asia that will be increasingly Americanized** — which means more hostile toward world peace, more military-dominated, and more encouraging of a World War Three — as being part of the world's only remaining empire (the U.S. empire) necessarily is.

Modi is turning his country gradually hostile toward Russia and China, and more hostile than before against Pakistan. India is heading to become another American colony — a nation that will be at war not just internally but also externally, and joining America's decline, and thereby increasing the world's decline, by slowing the world's move toward peace and encouraging the war-industries that increasingly lead the U.S. Government to lead the world toward a nuclear WW III.

As the cogoport report headlined, on 6 July 2022, <u>"A Showcase of India's Top 10 Trade</u> <u>Partners"</u>, summarizes:

In the wake of the US surmounting China as India's top trade partner in 2021 – 22, it is pertinent to take a look at South Asia's biggest economy's top 10 trade partners. Interestingly, barring the top trade partner, the US, India has a trade deficit with the rest of the nine partners, amounting to a colossal \$154.7 billion.

Only the top two partners, the US and China have bilateral trade above \$100 billion

whereas the bottom three, Indonesia, South Korea and Australia roughly have the same quantum of around \$25 billion.

America replaces China, now, as India's top trading partner; and, whereas India imports from China far more than it exports to China, India exports to America far more than it imports from America.

"Starkly, the US is the only trade partner in the top 10 club with which India enjoys a trade surplus, \$32.7 billion."

In balance-of-power politics (the politics that drove imperialism, and that produced both of the two World Wars, and that FDR tried to replace by inventing and starting to design a U.N. that would be empowered to create and enforce democratically produced international laws but which Truman stopped), exports — which enrich the billionaires most of all — supposedly benefit a nation more than imports do (that's not actually true); and, so, **India's trying now to export more than it imports (which would benefit India's billionaires) is really India trying to become an imperial power:** a goal that's both evil and stupid, and that will never realistically be possible in the foreseeable future (especially because it would require India to replace America as the world's only imperial power — and that won't happen).

On February 9th, Leonid Savin headlined at Oriental Review, <u>"U.S. Strengthens Presence In</u> <u>Southeast Asia"</u>, and he opened,

India and the U.S. last week launched a joint initiative on critical and emerging technologies (iCET). This was discussed in Tokyo back in May 2022 at the Quadrilateral Dialogue summit. Now the signing took place in Washington just after the U.S.-India Business Forum.

The meeting was <u>reportedly</u> preceded by tweets from Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi and U.S. President Joe Biden, reflecting an agreement on the two sides' strategic, commercial and scientific approaches to technology.

On January 31, 2023, the first iCET meeting was held in Washington, D.C., hosted by the two countries' national security advisers Jake Sullivan and Ajit Doval. On the part of the U.S. there was also the administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the director of the National Science Foundation, the executive secretary of the National Space Council, and senior officials from the Department of State, Department of Commerce, Department of Defense, and the National Security Council. On the Indian part there were the Indian Ambassador to the United States, the Chief Science Advisor to the Government of India, the Chairman of the Indian Space Research Organization, the Secretary of Defense, the Director General of the Defense Research and Development Organization, high-ranking officials from the Department of Electronics and Information Technology and the Secretariat of the National Security Council.

According to the White House webside, "The two sides discussed opportunities for greater cooperation in critical and emerging technologies, co-development and coproduction, and ways to deepen connectivity across our innovation ecosystems. They noted the value of establishing "innovation bridges" in key sectors, including through expos, hackathons, and pitch sessions. They also identified the fields of biotechnology,

advanced materials, and rare earth processing technology as areas for future cooperation".

In recent years, cooperation between India and the U.S. has grown rapidly in all spheres, from trade and economic deals to military exercises and intelligence exchanges. The two sides have their own reasons for deepening such cooperation – the U.S. has an interest in containing China by proxy, as well as keeping an eye on Pakistan, which from time to time shows a zeal for autonomy. Both countries pose threats to India, so New Delhi's external support is in the Indian leadership's interest.

In this regard, U.S. Undersecretary of Defense <u>Kathleen Hicks told</u> Indian National Security Adviser Ajit Doval that "building alliances and partnerships are a top priority" for the Pentagon. ...

Though Modi speaks out of both sides of his mouth — the imperialist (pro-U.S.) and antiimperialist (pro-China and pro-Russia) sides of his mouth — he now is finally **behaving** clearly *as* an imperialist.

He aims for India ultimately to be a part of the American global empire.

He is toxic to the Indian people but a blessing to India's billionaires.

His imperial dreams for India can only prolong and slow the decline of America's empire, by India's joining it as yet another U.S. 'ally' or vassal-nation (colony).

It's bad for the Indian people, and it is also bad for the entire world. But what is really stunning is its stupidity. (Unless, of course, <u>Modi's only objective is to further enrich India's</u> <u>billionaires at the expense of the Indian public</u>. It's smart for that.)

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