



A NATIONAL SECURITY DOCTRINE FOR INDIA

Yogakshema

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Strength is power. And well-being is the goal

(Arthashastra, 6:2-31,32)

1. To create and defend a conducive environment for *yogakshema* (well-being, prosperity, and happiness) of all Indians. At this stage of India's development, national security is primarily focused on protecting and promoting India's economic development.
 - a. As a *Swing Power*, we must seek to shape the world's political, economic, and technological order
 - b. And defend India's interconnectedness with the world
2. National security also includes protecting the constitutional order, individual liberty, territory, social cohesion, and national resources.
 - a. Securing the Republic of India and its institutions
 - b. Protecting the rights of all Indians
 - c. Comprehensive view of territory including land, sea, air, space, and cyberspace
 - d. National strength ultimately derives from social cohesion
 - e. Sustain and enhance natural, environmental, and social capital
3. Amass and project power across all domains.
 - a. Develop both continental and maritime power projection capabilities
 - b. Develop comprehensive deterrence across all domains
 - c. Humane and effective management of internal security
 - d. Develop intelligence as a credible instrument of statecraft
4. Reimagine national security capacity
 - a. Boost the fighting spirit of the armed forces
 - b. Federal "whole of government" approach to national security management
 - c. Nurture a globally competitive defence technology industry
 - d. Build leadership across government that understands the prudent use of power