

## Raisina Dialogue

### Why in the news?

The 10<sup>th</sup> edition of the Raisina Dialogue, India's flagship conference on geopolitics and geo-economics, is scheduled from March 17 to 19, 2025, in New Delhi.

- **Aim** - To bring together leaders and thinkers from around the world.
- **Launched in** - 2016 by the Ministry of External Affairs as a “flagship Indian international dialogue”.
- **Theme** - Kalachakra - People, Peace and Planet.
- **6 thematic pillars** - The address pressing global challenges through discussions across 6 thematic pillars.

#### 6 thematic pillars

Politics Interrupted: Shifting Sands and Rising Tides

Resolving the Green Trilemma: Who, Where, & How

Digital Planet: Agents, Agencies and Absences

Militant Mercantilism: Trade, Supply Chains & the Exchange Rate Addiction

The Tiger's Tale: Rewriting Development with a New Plan

Investing in Peace: Drivers, Institutions, & Leadership

- **Similar events** - Munich Security Conference and Singapore's Shangri-La Dialogue.

### Key Issues that are expected to be discussed in the dialogue are:

- **Ukraine Conflict & U.S.-Russia Relations** - The presence of Ukraine's Foreign Minister Andrii Sybiha and U.S. Director of National Intelligence Tulsi Gabbard signals intense discussions on ceasefire negotiations and shifting global alliances.
- **Trump's Foreign Policy Shifts** - The impact of U.S. President Donald Trump's policies on global trade, NATO relations, and Indo-Pacific strategy will be debated.
- **Quad and Indo-Pacific Strategy** - A high-level panel comprising naval leadership from India, Australia, Japan, and the U.S. will discuss expanding maritime cooperation, reflecting India's commitment to countering Chinese assertiveness.
- **Nuclear and Security Concerns** - International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) chief Rafael Grossi's participation highlights ongoing nuclear non-proliferation challenges, including the Iran nuclear issue.

## Notable Trends

- **Pakistan's Non-Participation** - Given ongoing hostilities, Pakistani delegates have been traditionally absent from the Raisina Dialogue, reaffirming India's policy of limited engagement.
- **Russia's Reduced Presence** - The absence of Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov, who previously faced intense scrutiny over the Ukraine war, underscores the shifting diplomatic landscape.
- **China's Minimal Representation** - The inclusion of an academic from Fudan University reflects a cautious but improving engagement following last year's Modi-Xi Jinping meeting.

## References

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