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India's emergence as the fastest growing economy will ensure a further quantum leap in strategic & economic ties with Japan. Explain.

India Japan celebrated the 70th anniversary of diplomatic relations. India too became the 6th largest economy which will give a fillip to the relations with Japan.

Strategic ties

Both countries are central to the regional stability in the Indian ocean region.

ACSA agreement and even security agreement signed between the two countries will enable reciprocal of supplies and services between the defence forces.

Both countries support free open Indo Pacific and are members of Quad. India didn't attend the maritime Vostok-22 exercise as it was planned at Kurile islands claimed by Japan respecting its sovereignty.

The Supplychain Resilient Initiative (SCRI) launched will counter the China's dominance in the region.

The IJDP India Japan digital partnership must be expanded to include SG and quantum computing. The 2+2 dialogue between the countries will aid to review regional security challenges.

Economic ties Japan is the fourth largest investor in India. Trade worth \$17 Billion is being done. Japan has an opportunity to expand business in high speed trains, design linked internet scheme, the ties can be extended to Africa under the AGC - Asia Africa Growth corridor.

Challenges China has been the common threat for India in land and for Japan at sea. It is even stopping both countries representation at UNSC as permanent members.

A quantum leap in ties between the countries can steer the security direction for the benefit of south and south east asia. §