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Look East Policy, early 1990s

Launched under P.V. Narasimha Rao to engage South-East and East Asia after the Cold War and 1991 reforms.

India-ASEAN Summit, 2002

Annual leaders' meeting after dialogue-partner status in the 1990s.

India-ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement, 2009

The main tariff-cutting economic instrument of Look East with ASEAN.

East Asia Summit, 2005

India joined the EAS, placing it in a strategic-economic forum with ASEAN, China, Japan, Korea, Australia and others.

Act East

2014 restatement of Look East with more weight on connectivity, the north-east, and security cooperation.

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