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In what ways would the ongoing US-Iran Nuclear Pact Controversy affect the national interest of India? How should India respond to its situation? (15).

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JCPOA, 2015

Deal among Iran, the P5+1 and the EU; endorsed by UN Security Council Resolution 2231.

U.S. withdrawal, 8 May 2018

President Trump announced exit and re-imposition of extra-territorial sanctions in stages.

Chabahar Port

India's connectivity project in Iran for Afghan and INSTC access, often argued as distinct from nuclear sanctions.

Strait of Hormuz

Chokepoint for a large share of India's energy imports, including non-Iranian cargo.

CAATSA

U.S. law that can penalise significant transactions with Iran (and other listed states), raising compliance costs for Indian firms.

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