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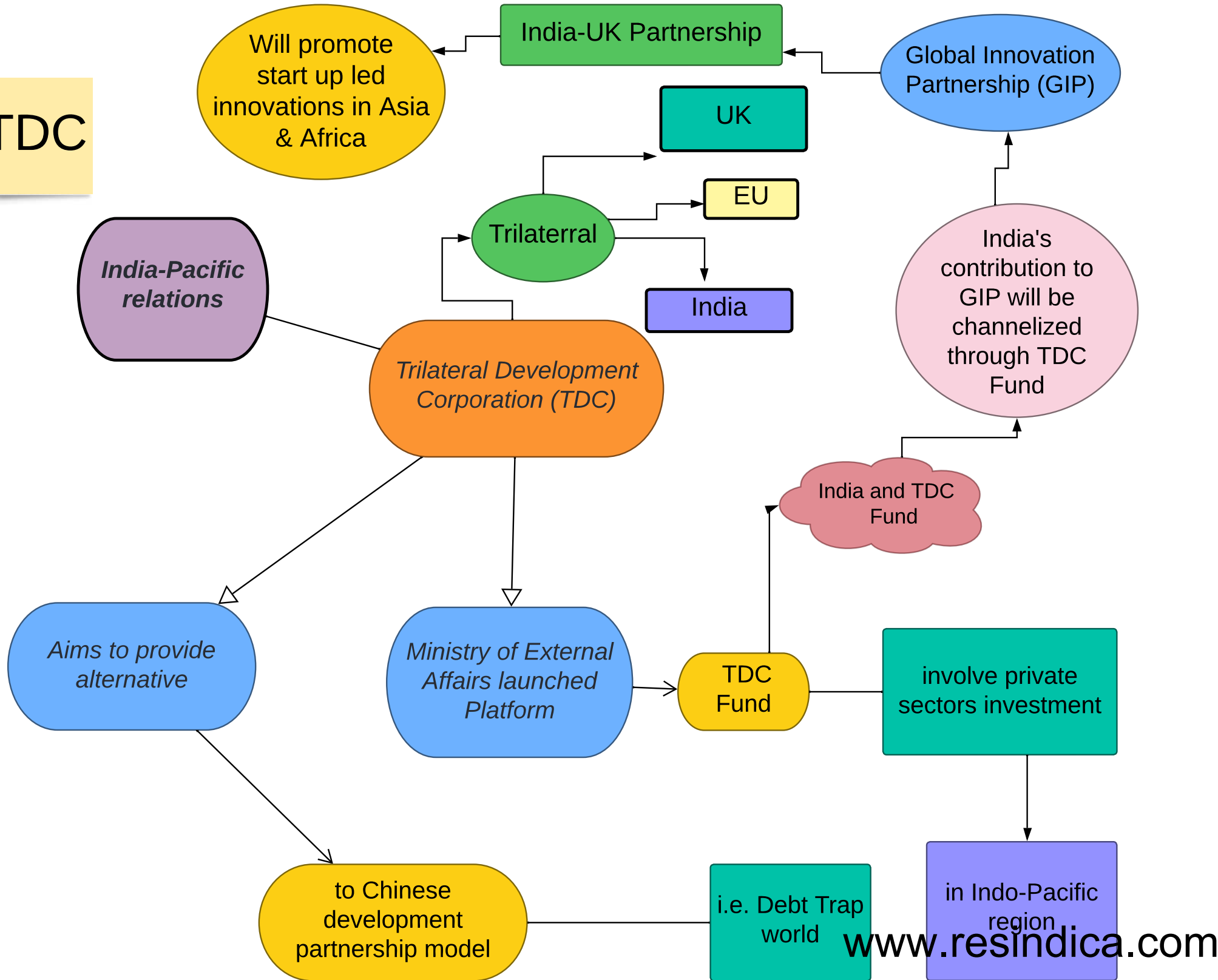
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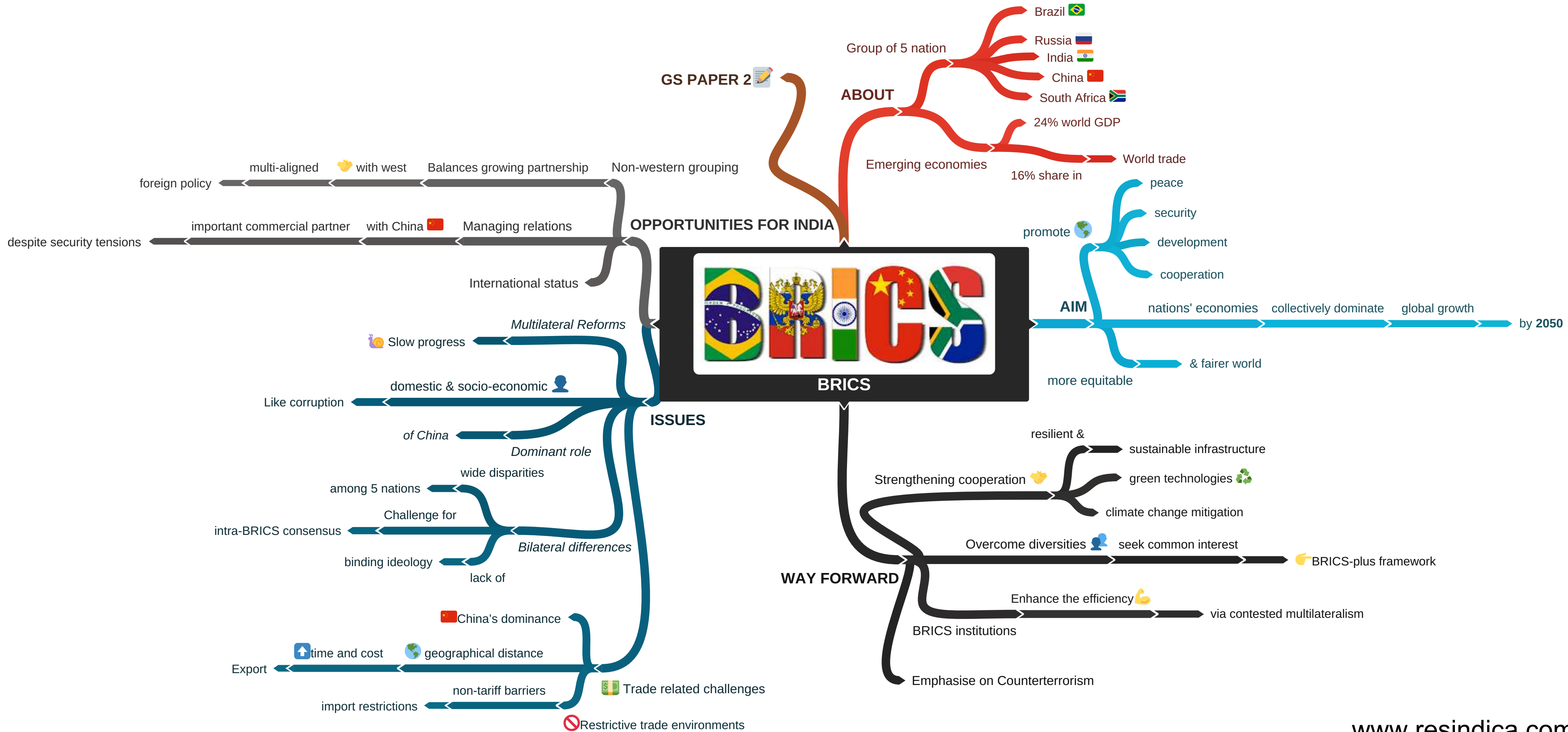
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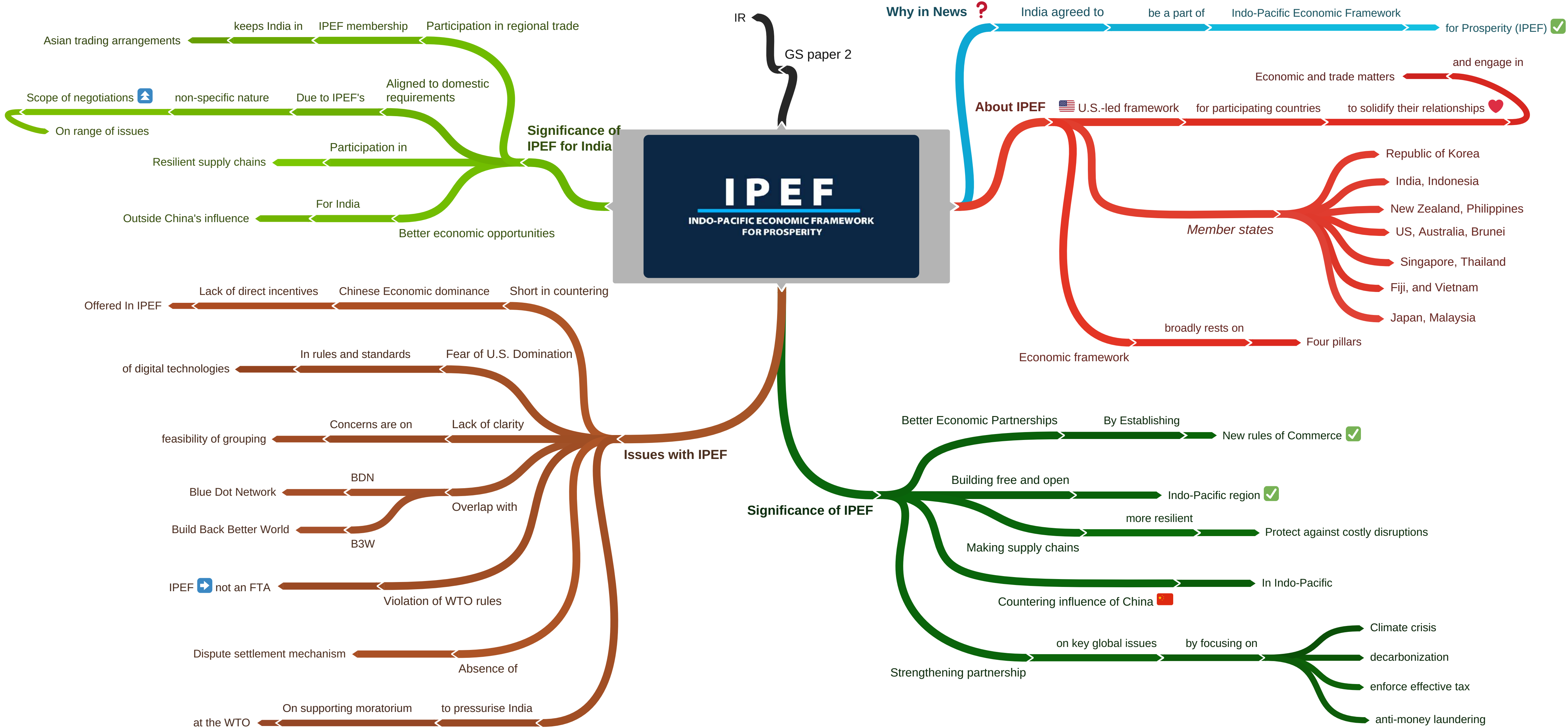
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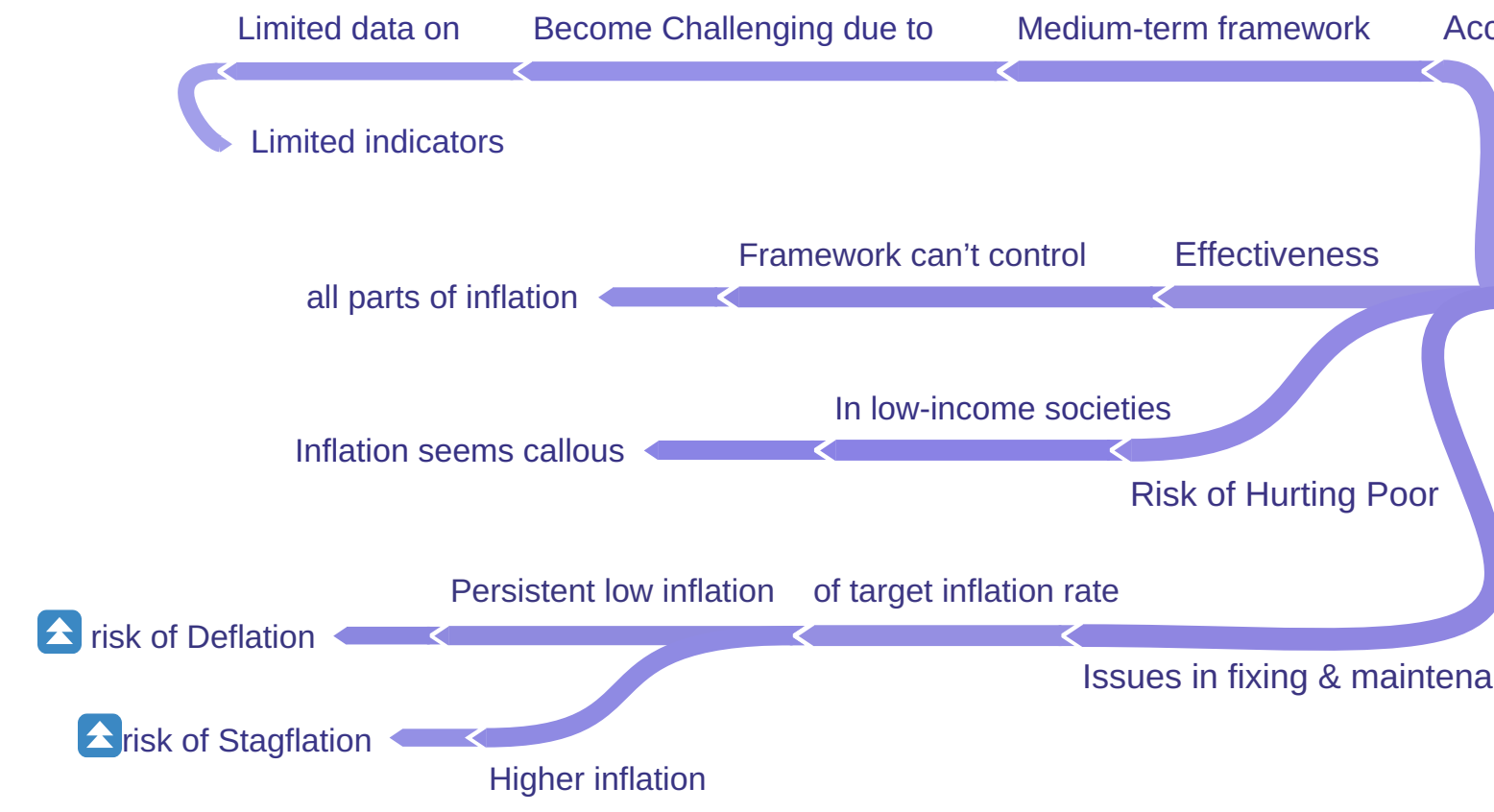




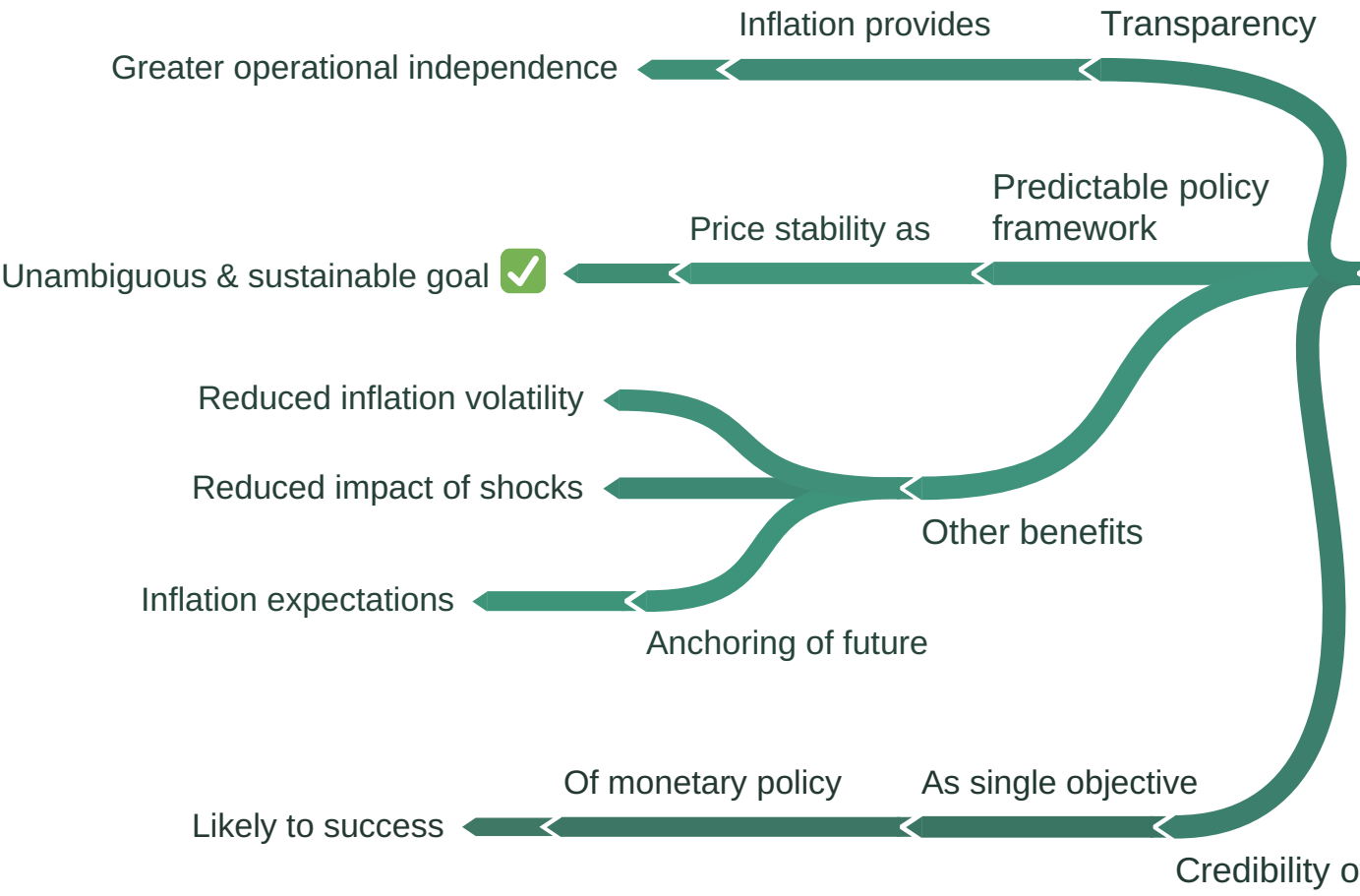


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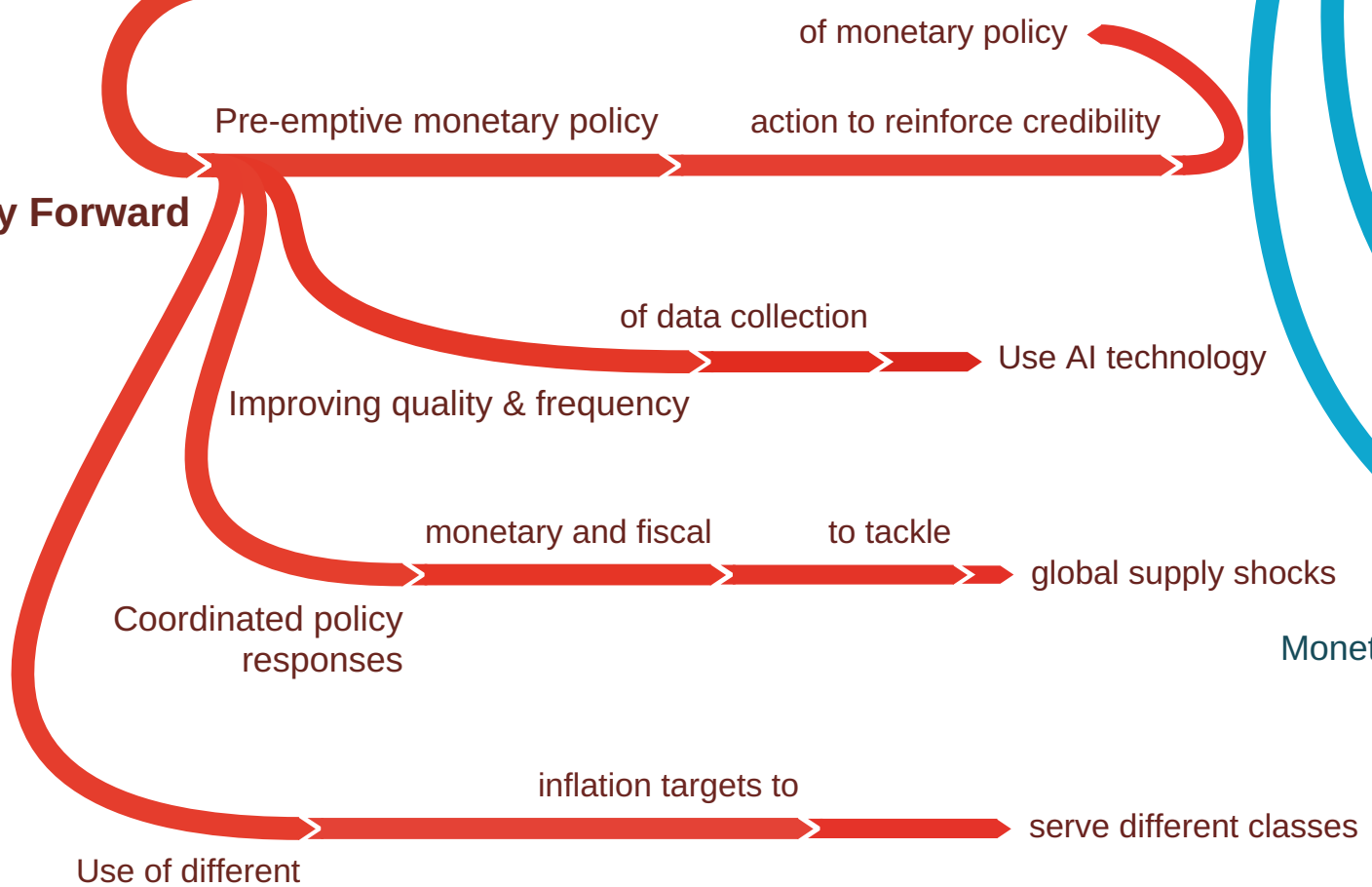
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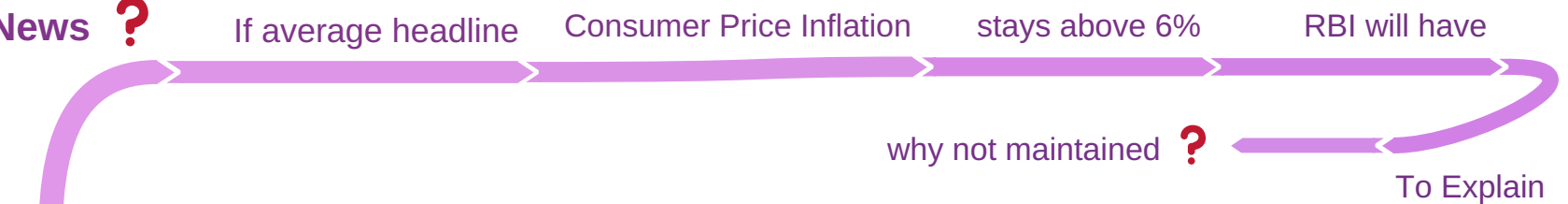
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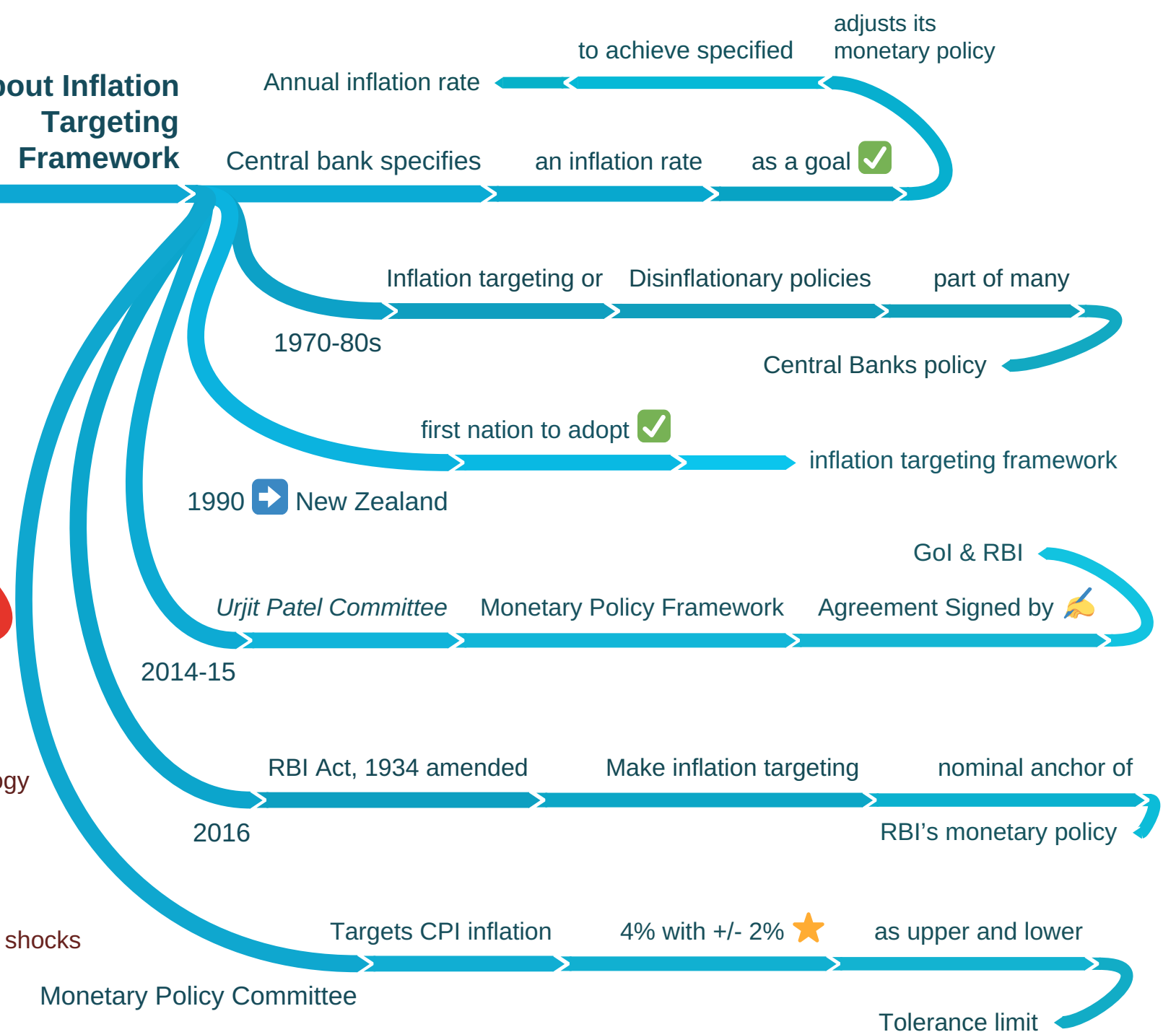
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Why in News ?



About Inflation Targeting Framework





India and Free Trade Agreements (FTA)

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What is FTA ?

Agreement between countries or regional blocks to reduce or eliminate Trade barriers through mutual Negotiations

FTAs categorized as
- Preferential Trade
- Comprehensive Economic Cooperation
- Comprehensive Economic Partnership
- Agreement

It includes
- goods, services
- government procurement
- investment, competition
- intellectual property

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Trade policy framework To be made Open and Competitive

Strengthening MSME Sector link Special Economic Zones with MSME sector incentivize small businesses

Enhancing Domestic Base For manufacturing Value-added products
- like engineering goods
- electronic products
- textiles ; agri machinery
- drugs and pharmaceuticals

Infrastructural Evolution warehouses, testing labs Indian exporters competitive in global market
- Digitisation of export processes
- save both time & cost

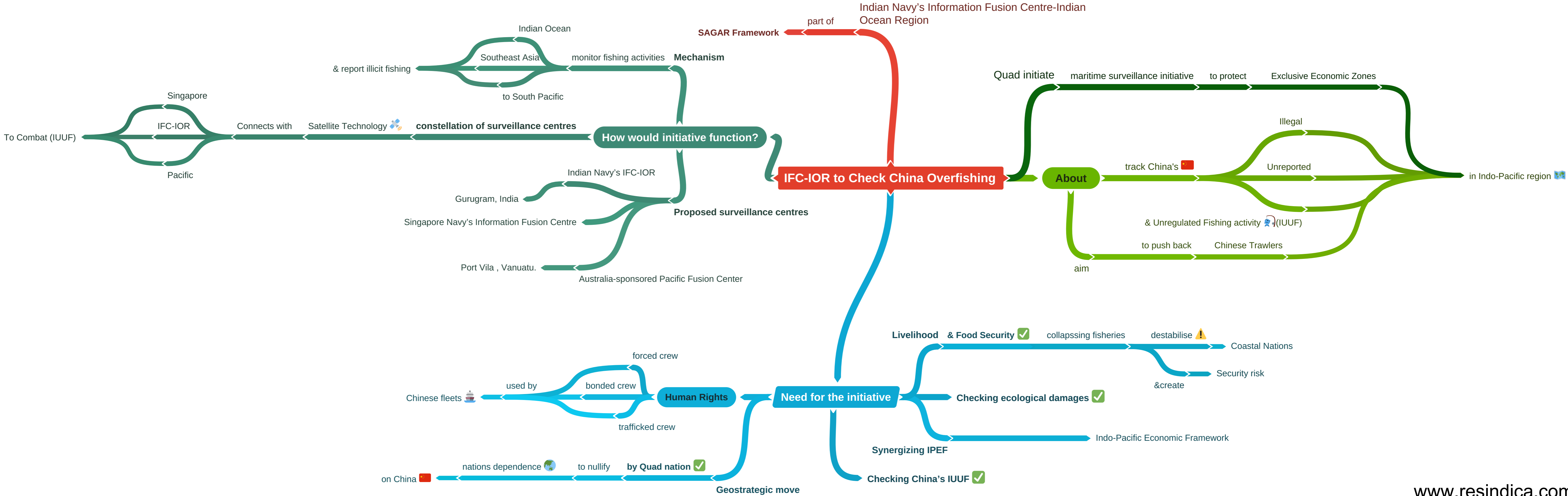
Scrutiny of FTAs By Committee on Commerce Ensures executive Accountability

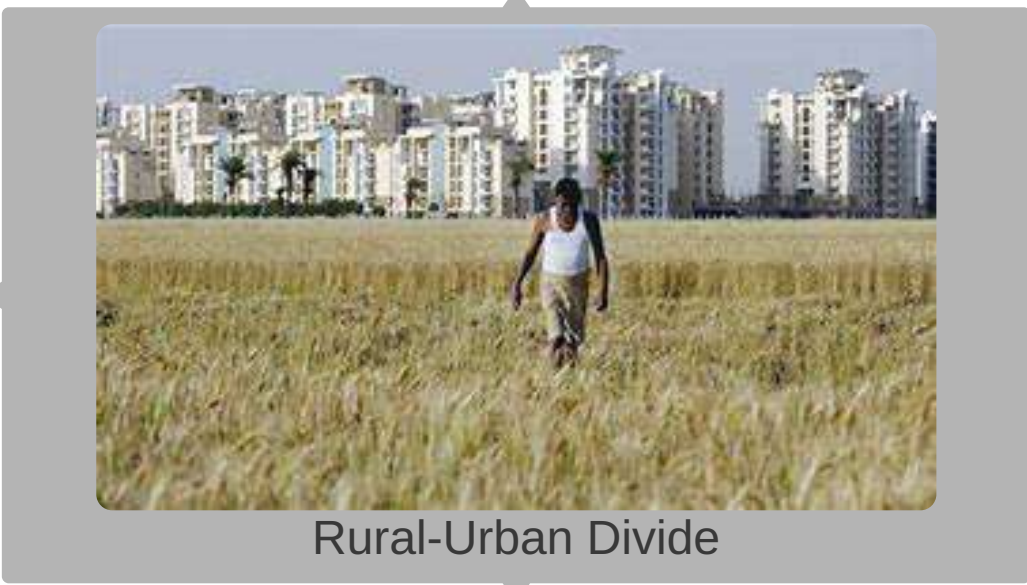
Major Issues Related to India's Foreign Trade Policy

Low manufacturing product export
FTAs objectives not clear
No institutional mechanisms
Lacks Transparency and Scrutiny
As From India's FTA Negative Balance of Trade With ASEAN & Japan
Some geopolitical changes Eg. Oil & Fuel needs Disrupt supply chain
High Dependence on Imports
Becoming closed economy as Protectionism Misunderstanding Self-Reliance

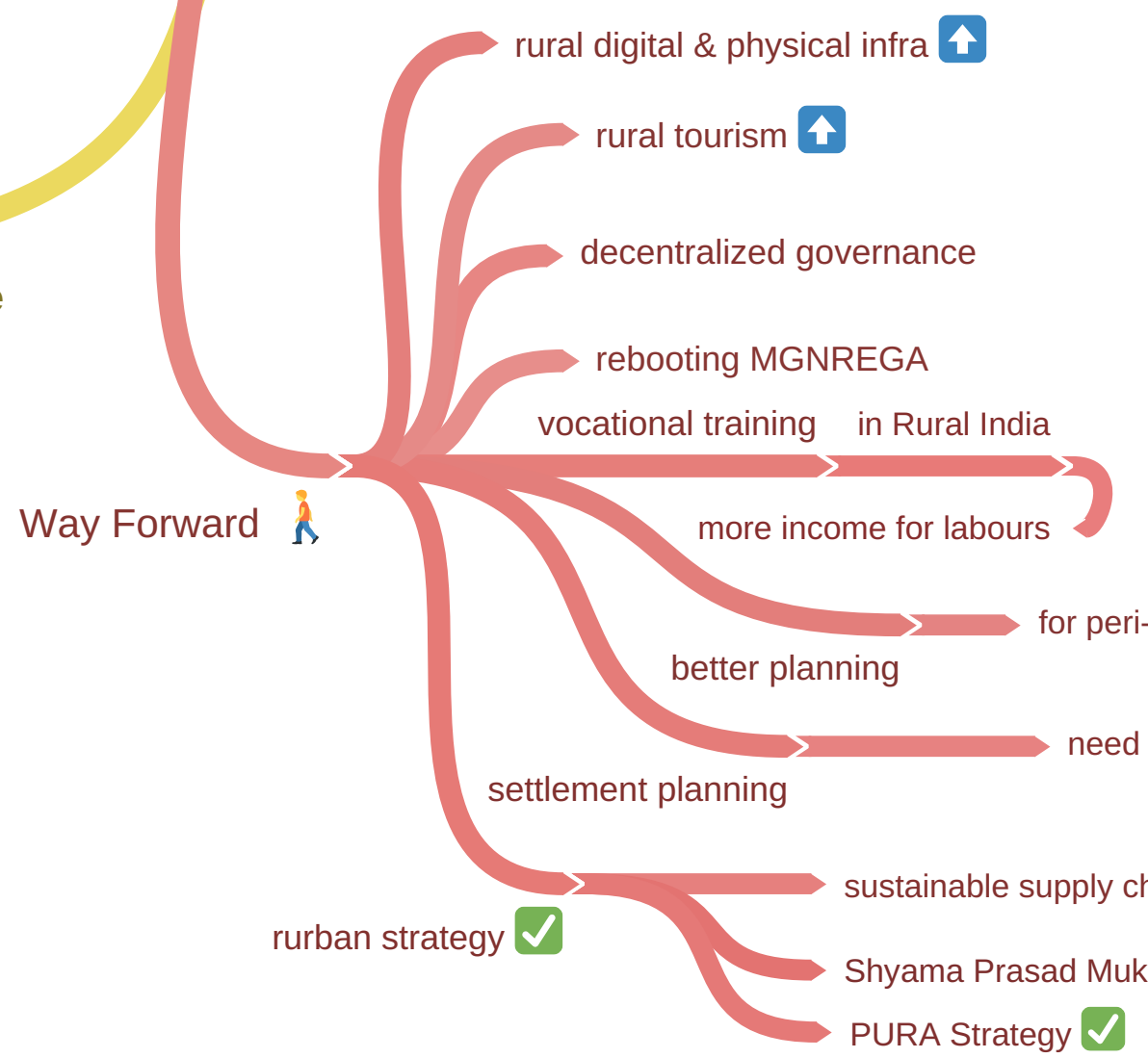
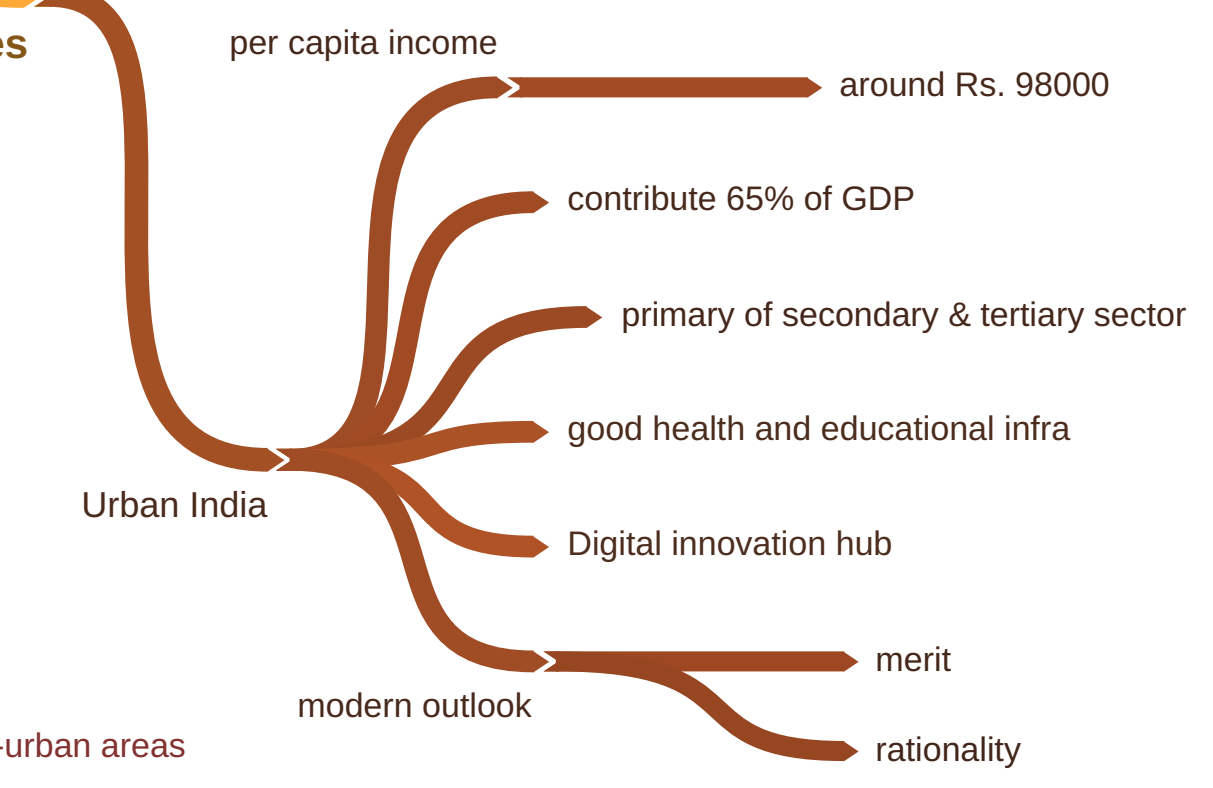
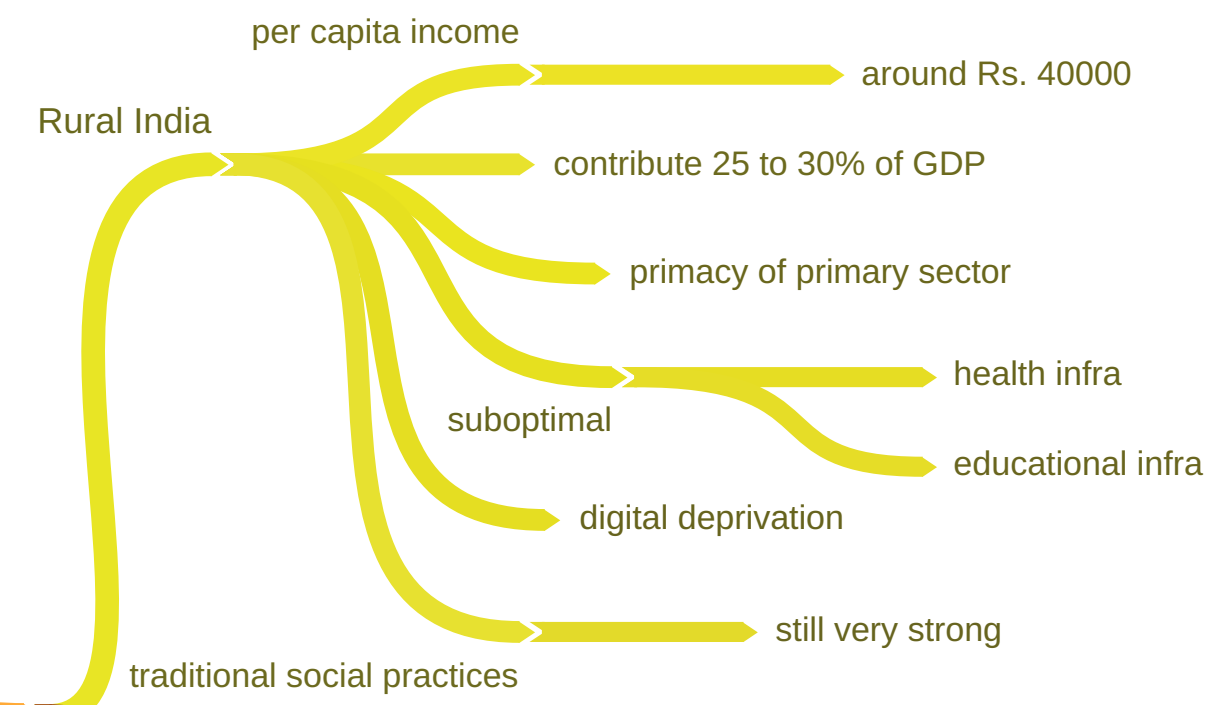
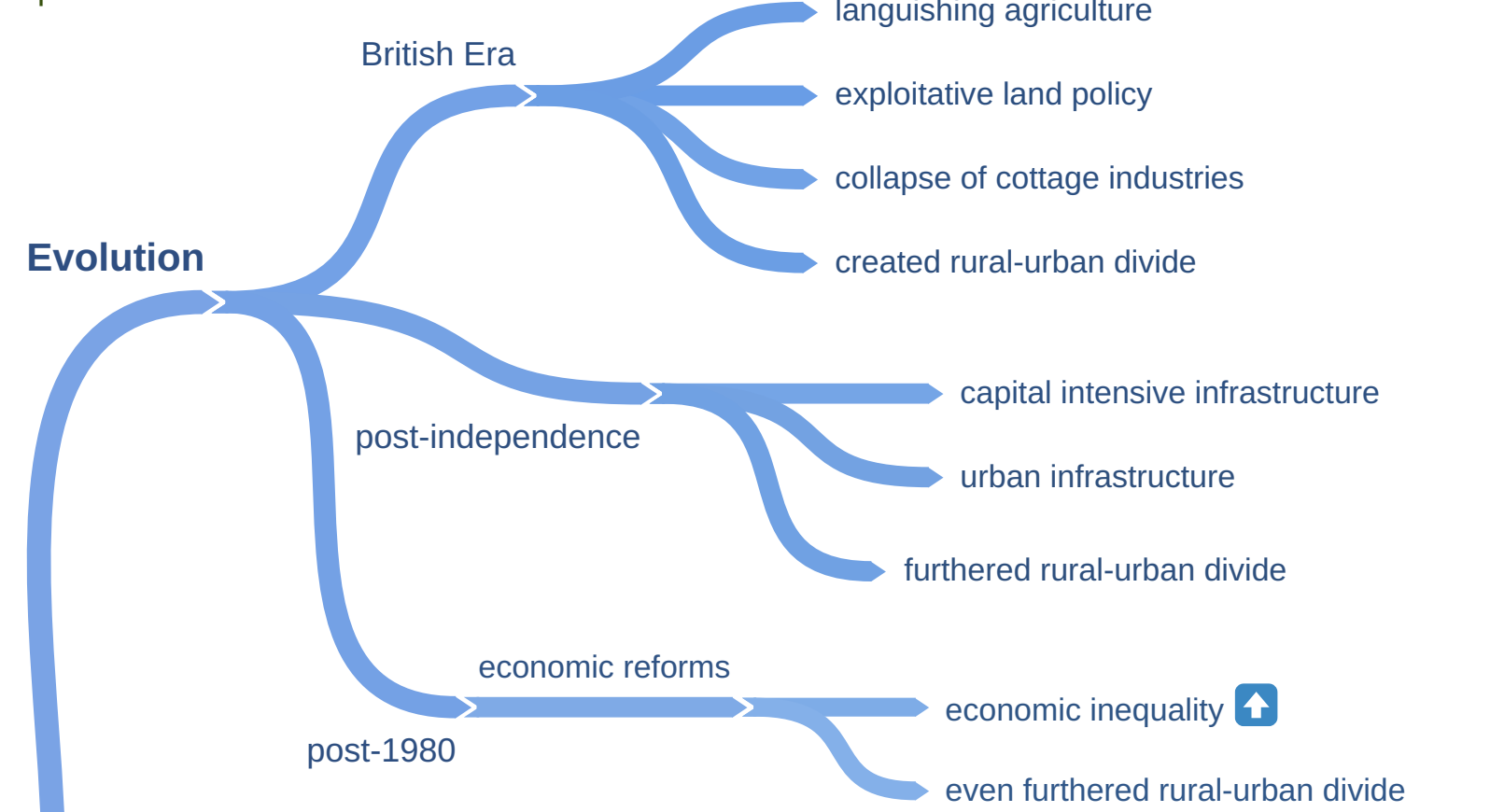
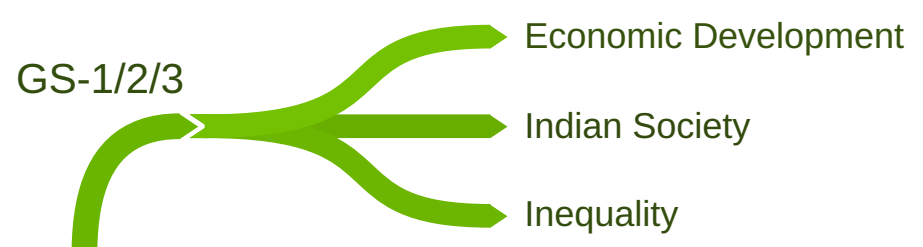
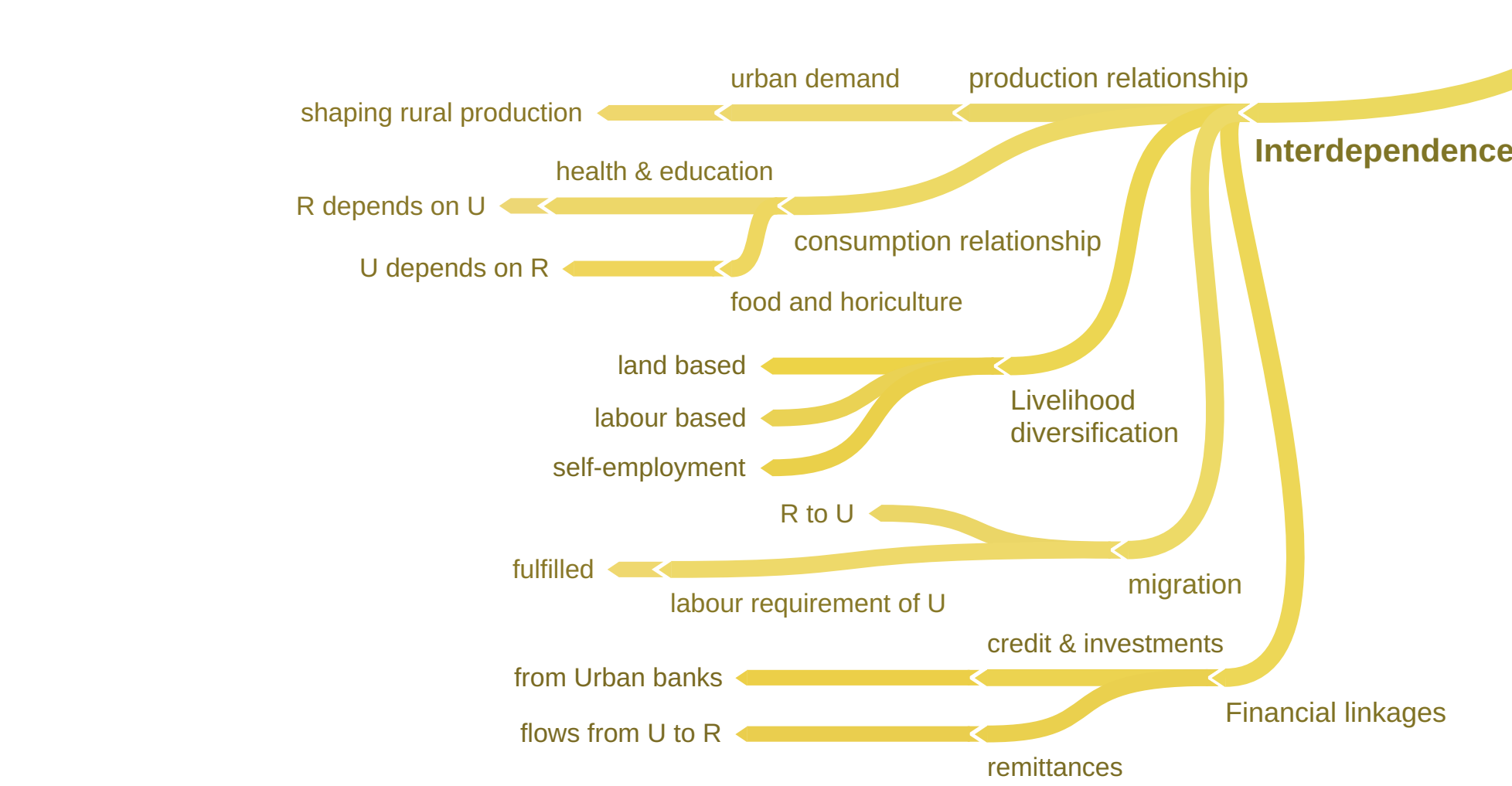
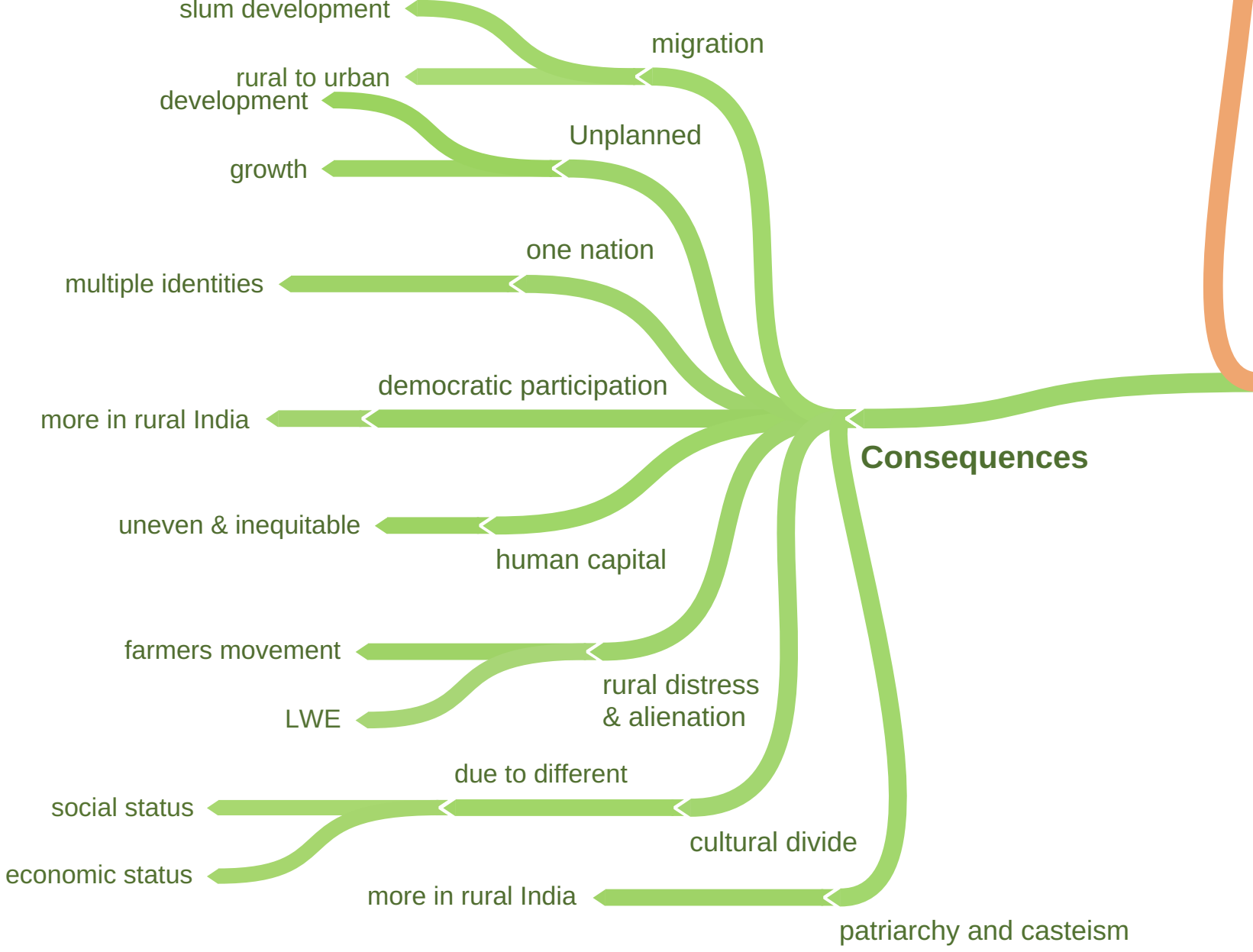
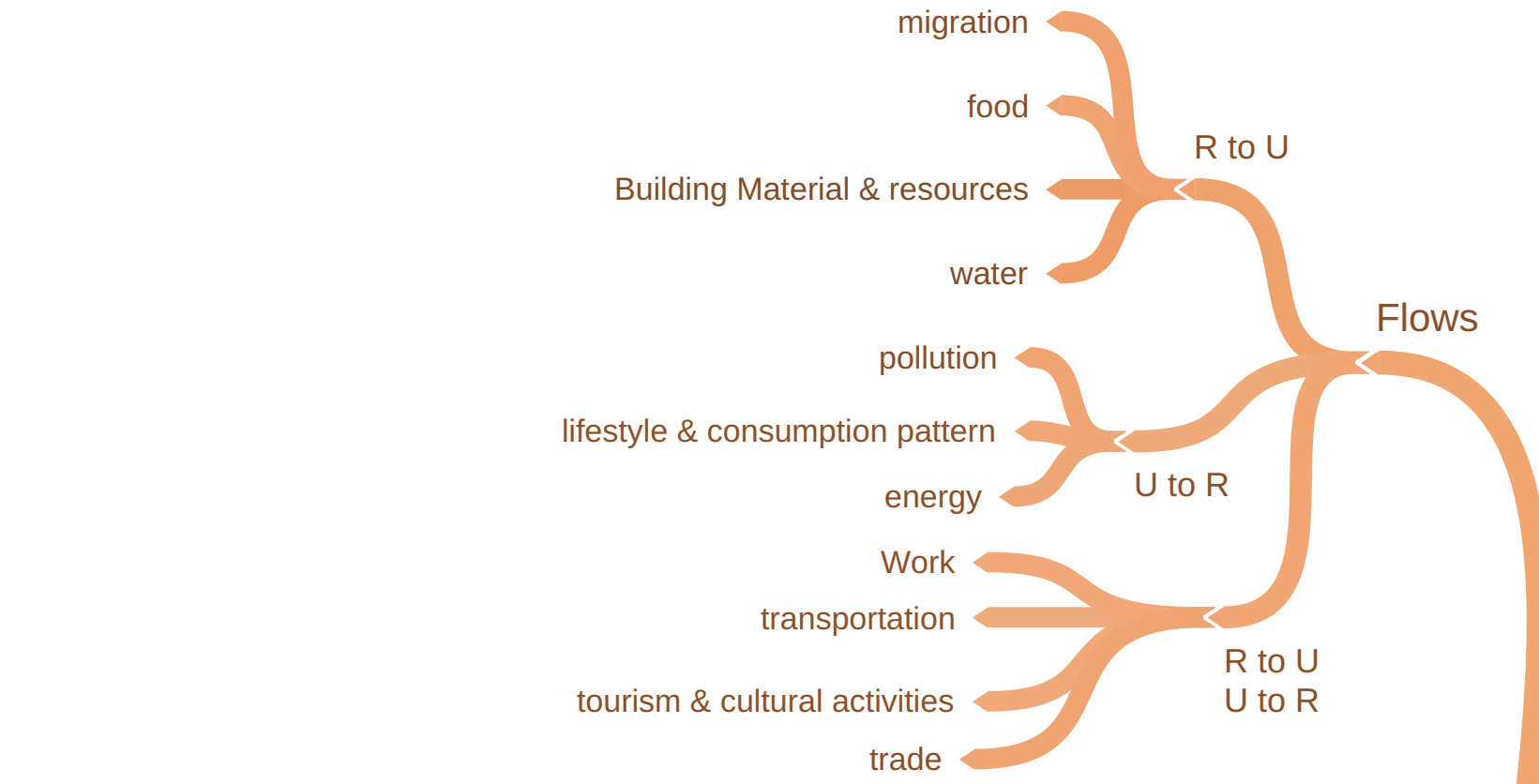
State of India's FTA

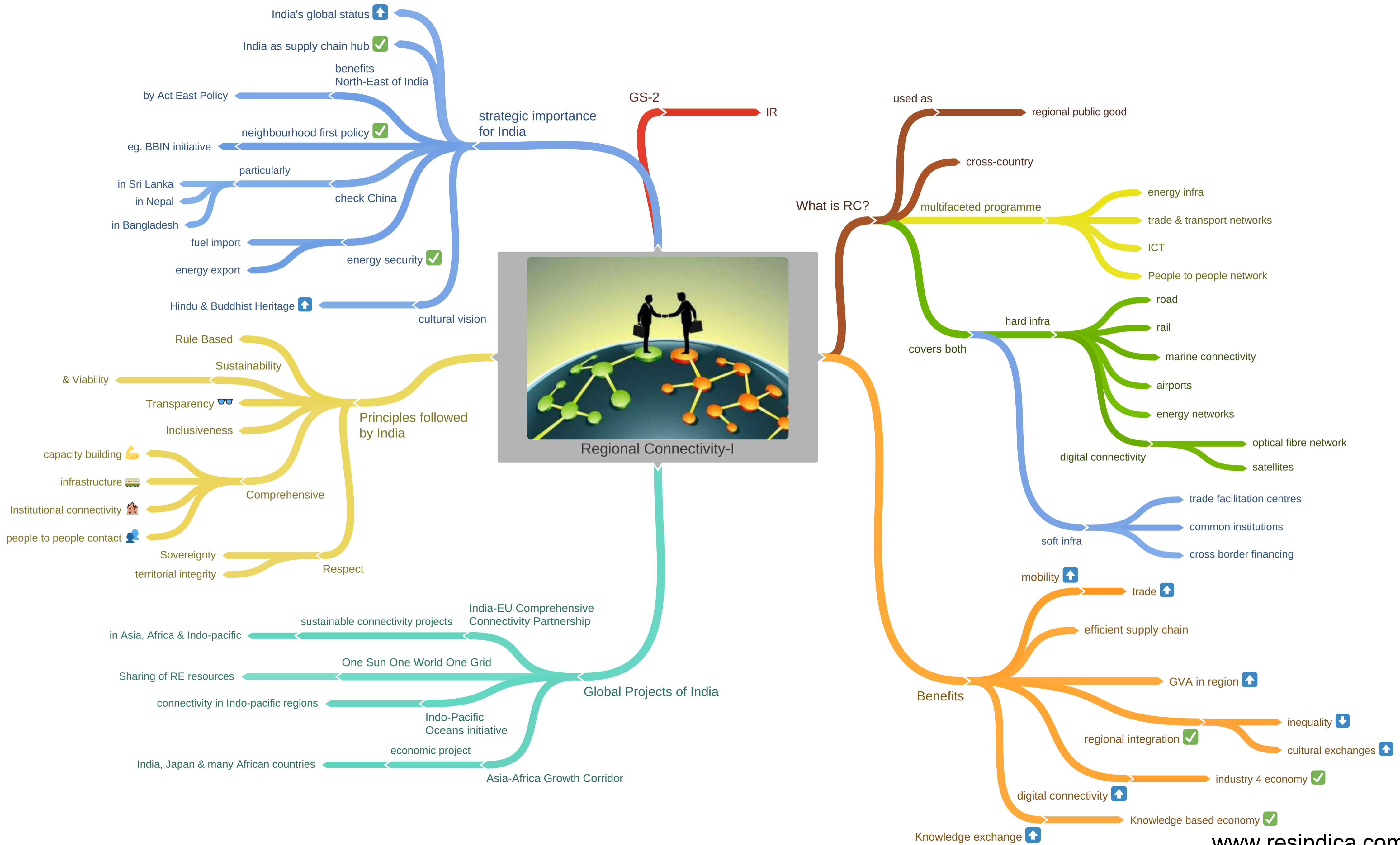
India currently has 12 FTAs
Latest India-UAE CEPA
India's imp. Trade Agreements
- Comprehensive Economic Cooperation and Partnership Agreement
- South Asian Free Trade Agreement
- Asia Pacific Trade Agreement
- South Asia Preferential Trading Agreement

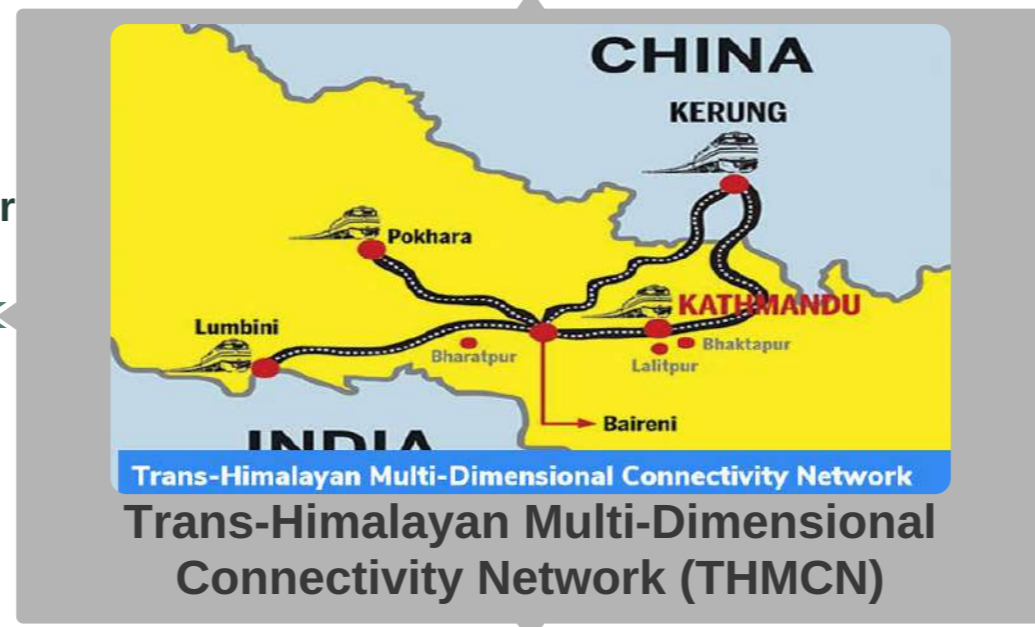




Rural-Urban Divide







Neighborhood Relations
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Lacks strategic vision
led to slow implementation
Tough Himalayan terrain
on Indian side
As unsettled boundary issues
with Pakistan & Nepal
Indian connectivity developments

Why in news ?

China and Nepal Agreed to build Trans-Himalayan Network
Multi-Dimensional Connectivity

About THMCN

A economic corridor Proposed in 2019 As part of China's Belt & Road Initiative
Aims to Enhance connectivity in Communications, Ports, Roads, Railways, Aviation
Integration between China and South Asia
Aims to Increase Economic development

China's outreach in Himalaya

China foresees Himalayas as next frontier for Global resource management and conservation
unknown mineral deposits
Passes through Himalayas Gilgit-Baltistan region
China Pakistan Economic Corridor
Wakhan Corridor Fiber-Optic Survey Project Create fiber linkages
China invested in Afghanistan & China
Other Initiatives
focus on trade
comprehensive security agreements
infrastructure-oriented aid
public-private partnerships
economic and security cooperation

Concerns for India

Himalayan Quad
With Himalayan countries (Nepal, China, Pakistan, Afghanistan)
China to form it
India's security
Indo-Pacific Strategy
Strategic environment
Negative impact on

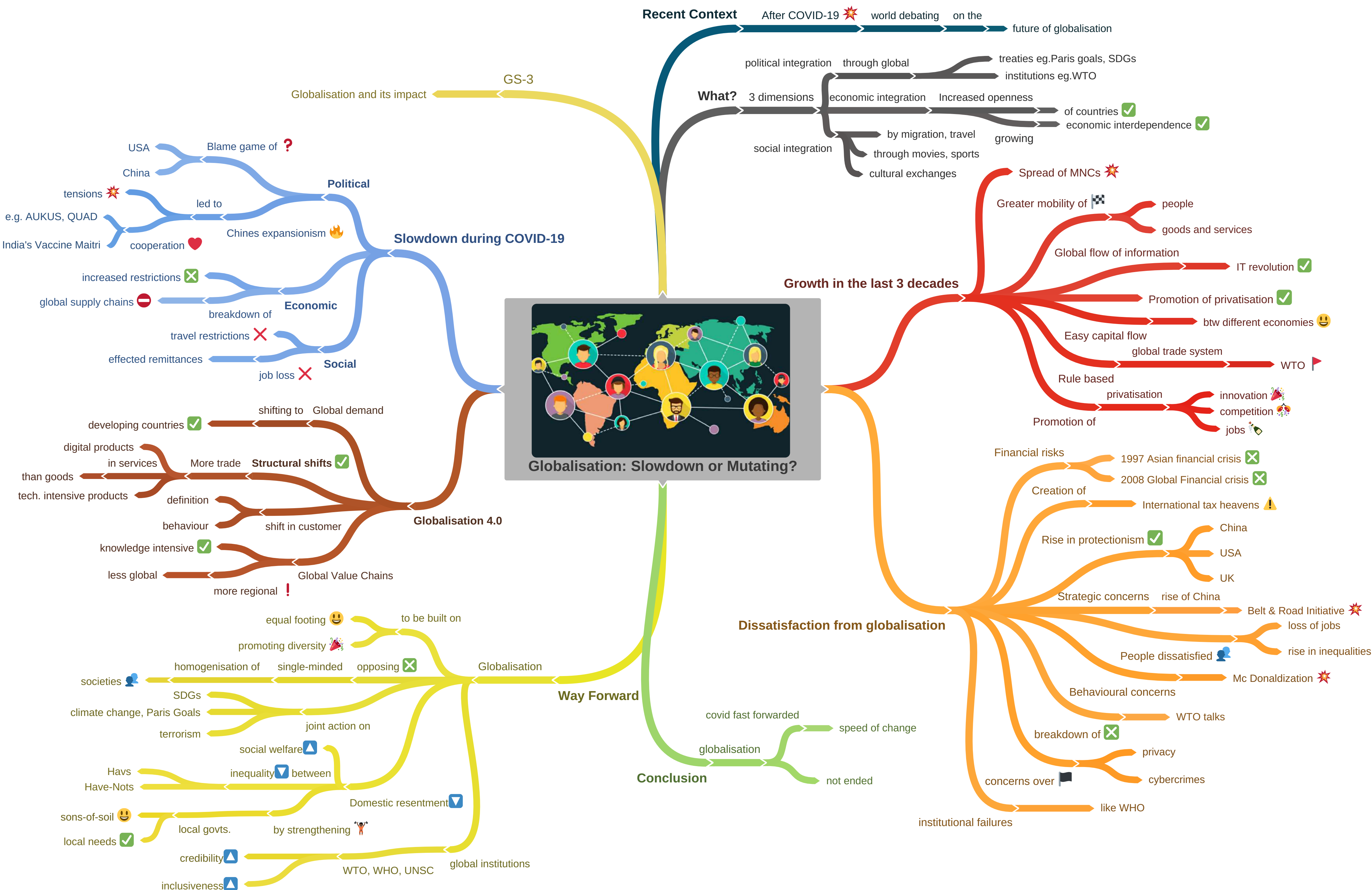
Impact on Nepal relations
China's influence
China's Infrastructure diplomacy
alternate Trading routes
Reliance on India
Lumbini, India
TMHCN pass near
Raised concerns
Security concerns

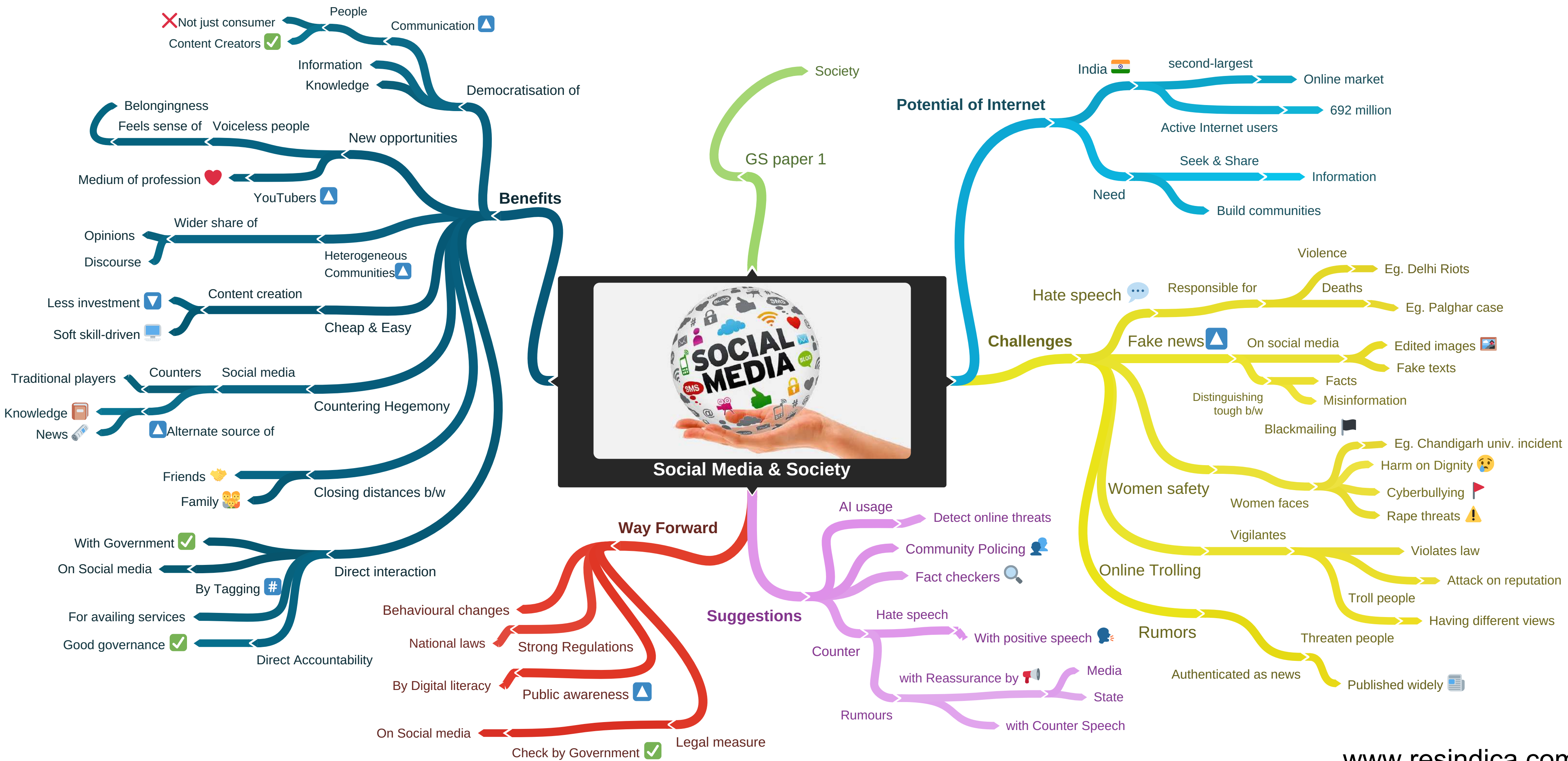
Environmental impacts
Project run through
fragile alpine ecosystems
Aggravate landslides & floods
in Indian Himalayan states
Endangered species
Illegal Trading of

Challenges India's role
as South Asian Power

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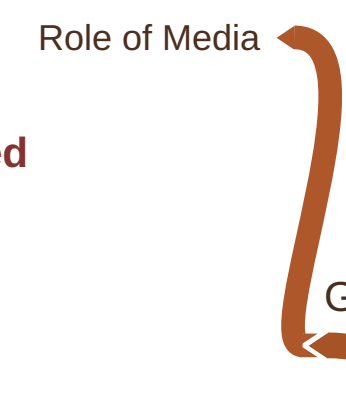
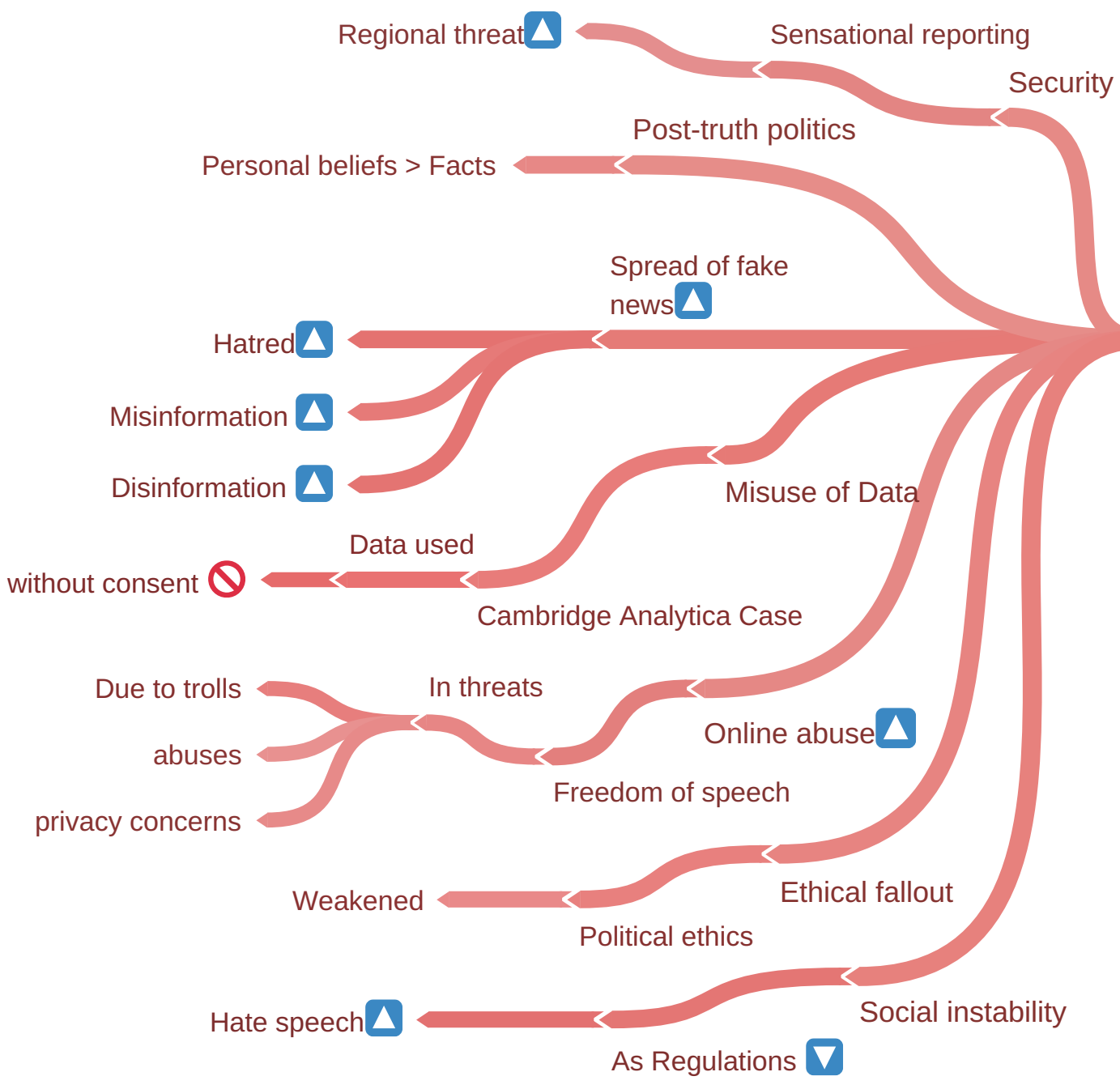
Improve connectivity in Border region
"Third Pole Council" Himalayan region must form
Collectively tackle concerns
Address Environmental concern
introduce new initiatives India Nepal
developmental, economic, infrastructure
Consolidate Nepal relation



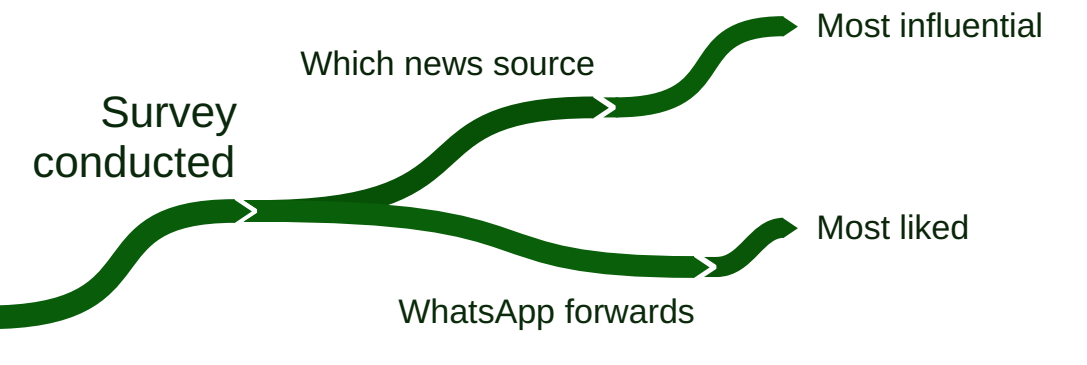




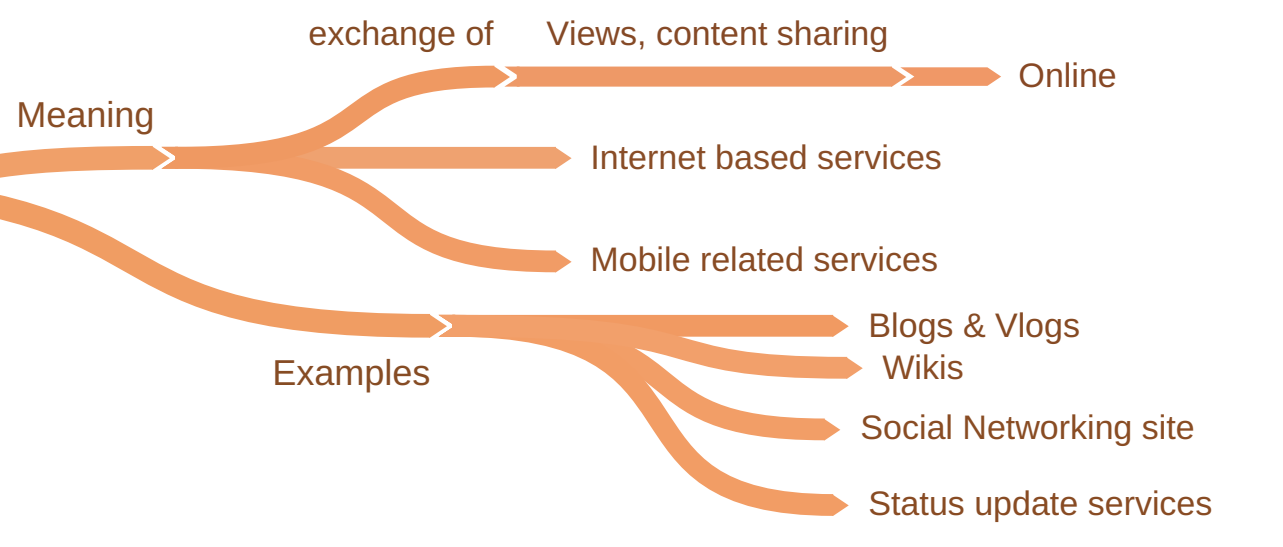
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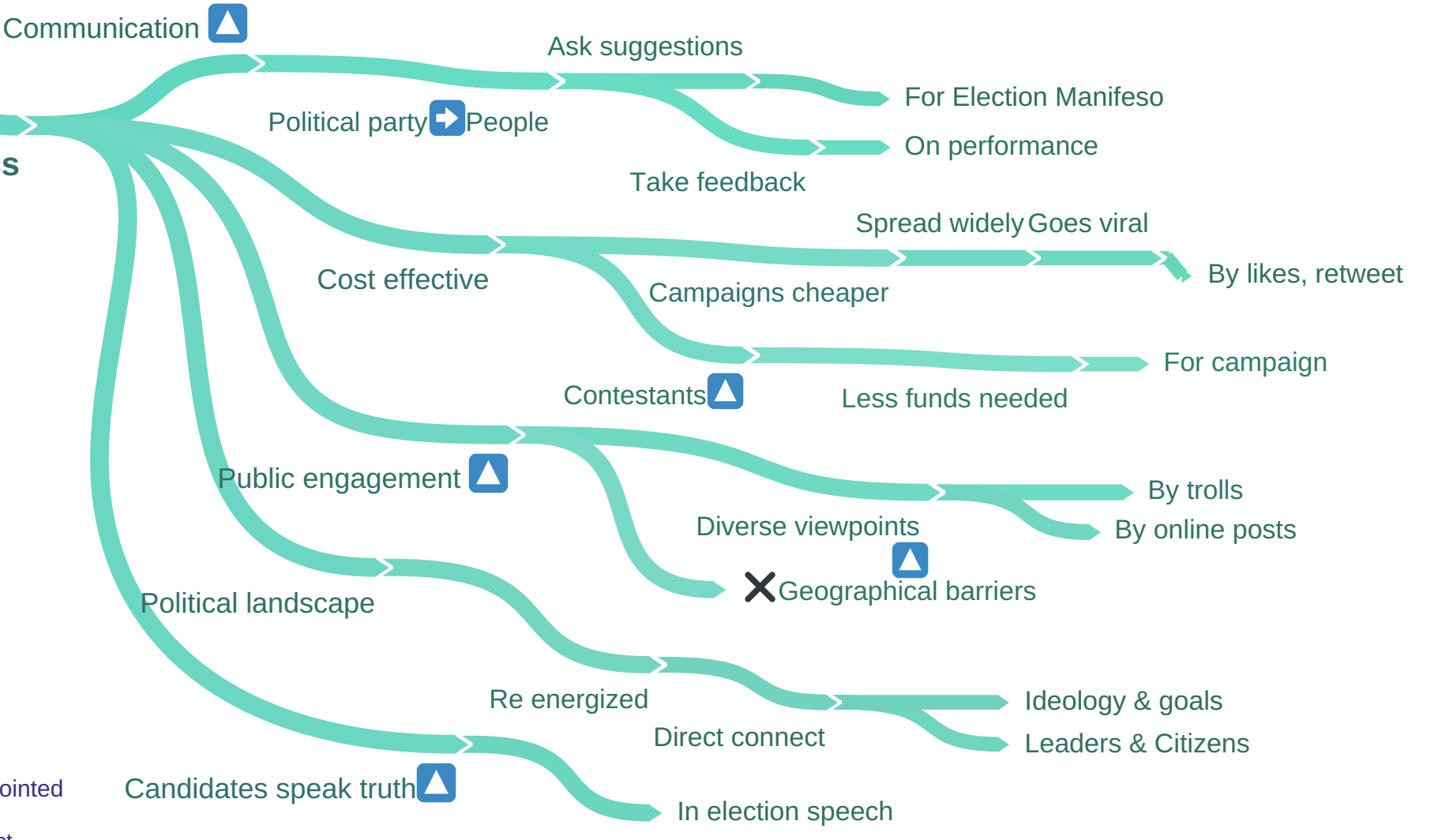
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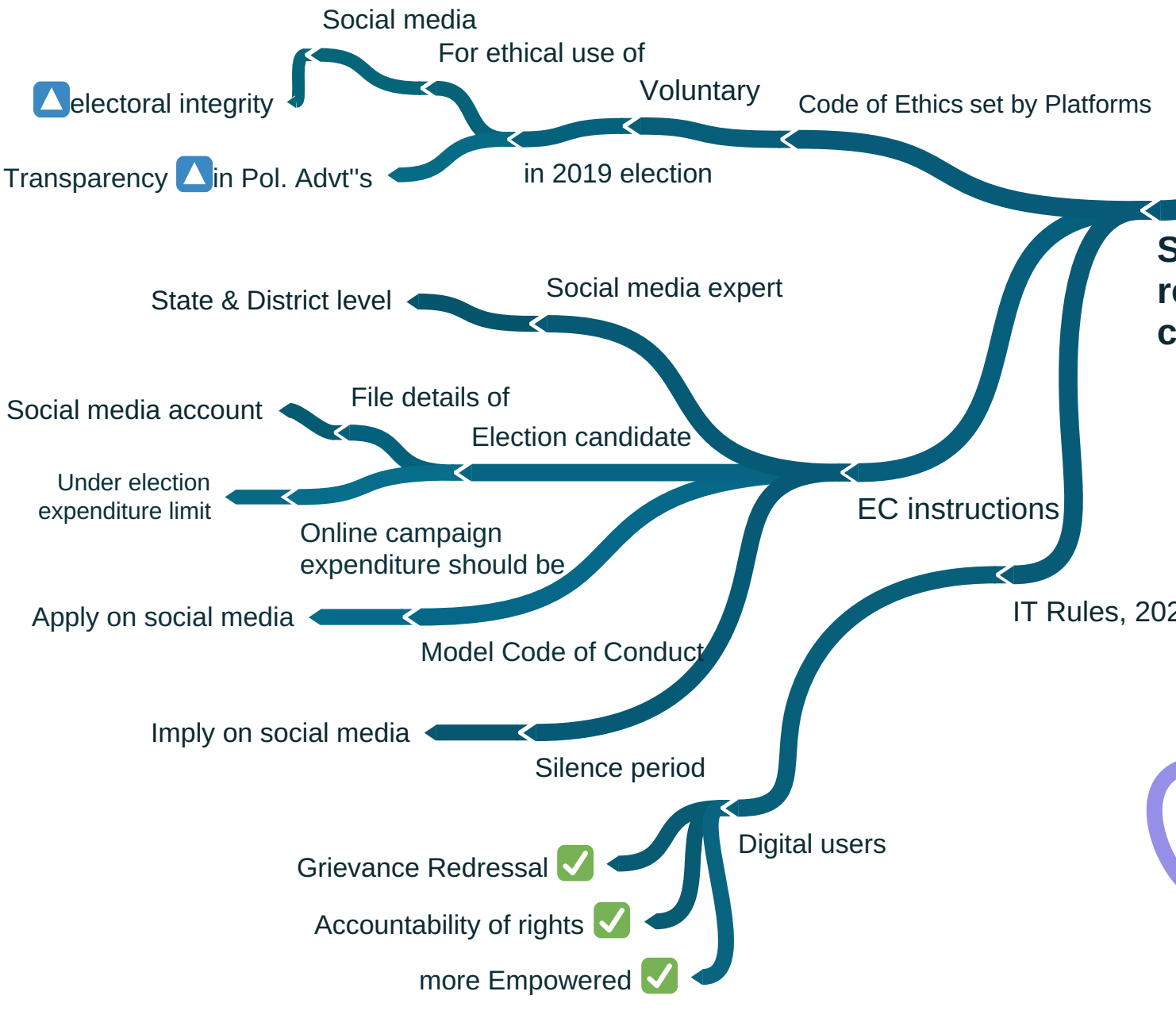
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Importance in politics

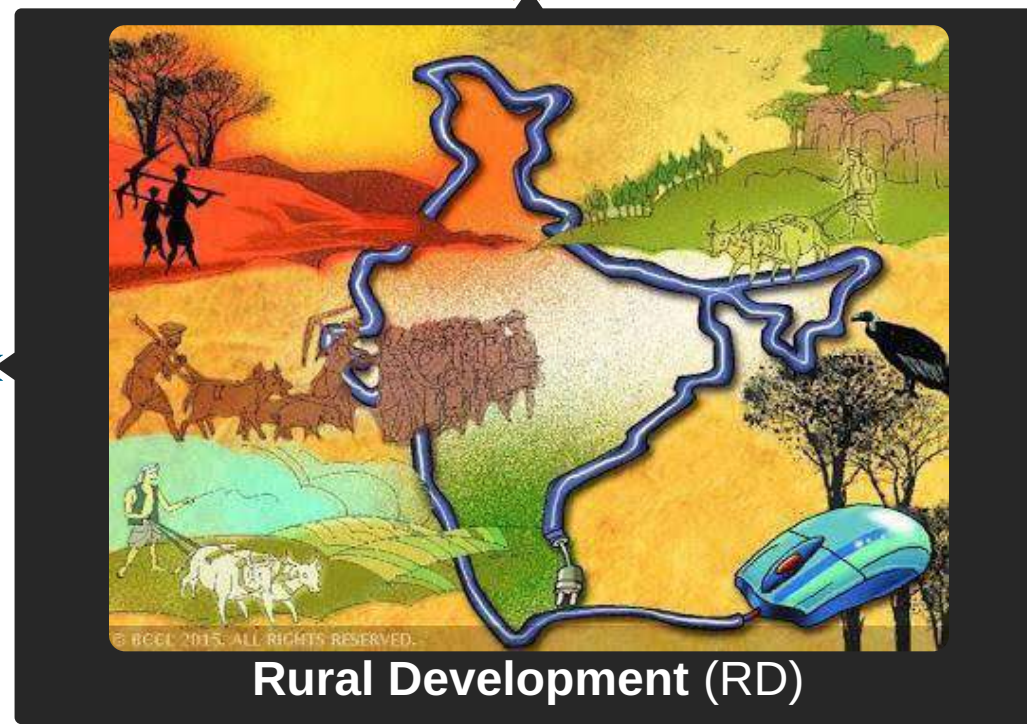


Steps for resolving concerns



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Inclusive growth

Govt initiatives

Schemes

- Samagra Siksha Abhiyan
 - NSAP
 - Agri. infra fund
 - PMGram Sadak
 - Sansad gram
 - Antyodaya Anna
 - PM Awaas
 - PMRDF
 - SAMPADA Scheme
 - NRLM
 - Rurban Mission
 - MGNREGA
- education ✓
 - Social Assistance ✓
 - agri. infra ✓
 - roads ✓
 - overall development ✓
 - support poorest ✓
 - housing ✓
 - infra ✓
 - food processing ✓
 - SHGs ✓
 - Rural livelihood ✓
 - employment ✓
 - infra ✓
 - economy ✓
 - rural income ✓
 - rural assets ✓

why in news ?

- Ombudsperson App
- Launched by
- Mo Rural Devt.
- e-governance
- Transparency
- Accountability
- population
- agro-climatic zone
- disaster vulnerability
- hill area
- Purpose
- spatial planning
- topology based
- community engagement
- RADPFI revised guidelines
- village planning scheme

About App

- Implementing MNREGA
- Recieve Complaints
- Various sources
- Mass media
- Physical
- Digital
- Quick disposal
- Smoothly handle
- Categorisation
- Grievances
- Easy tracking
- Passing of awards
- Timely
- For each case
- Ombudsperson work
- Hassle free

MNREGA Act 2005

- Enforces
- Right To Work
- Centre
- Monitors
- Entire Implementation
- State
- Set up
- SEGC Council
- Agency
- Social Audit
- Gram panchayat
- Receive application
- Register household
- Job card
- Provide
- Identify work

MGNREGA

Objective

- Employment generation
- Social inclusion
- Urban migration
- Durable assets
- Create
- Rural Area
- Wage employment
- Lawfully guaranteed
- Adult person
- Any household

RD Issues

- corruption
- 4Fs
- lacks
- panchayats
- elite capture
- agri. growth
- stagnant
- non agri. jobs
- Lacking
- Human Resources
- unemployment
- migration to cities
- Poverty
- road
- physical
- electricity
- digital
- Poor infrastructure
- Not adequate
- Health facilities
- Not adequate
- financial services

Meaning (RD)

- For upliftment of
- Action plan
- People's life
- job situation
- Improve

Objective (RD)

- Underprivileged people
- quality life
- underemployment
- Provide
- Healthcare facilities
- Drinking Water
- Education
- Roads
- Employment
- Basic needs



PM Kisan Sampada Yojana

food processing & related industry

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Context

Importance

What is it?

Objectives

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other FP related measures

Potential of FP

Challenges to FP

- Tomato onion potato operation greens
- value chain dev.
- agri. logistics
- processing infra
- classified in PSL
- 100% FDI
- in automatic route
- Rs 2000 crore
- under NABARD
- FP units
- credit to
- IT exemptions
- to FPOs
- to food products
- lower GST
- tax exemptions
- upgrade
- existing micro FP units
- incentivizing
- PM FME
- food manufacturing
- capacity expansion
- PLISFPI
- One-District-One-Product

- only 10% of current food processing produces
- export market
- E-nam
- One-Nation-One-market
- complements
- GST
- FPOs

- 90k crore post harvest loss
- NITI Aayog
- distribution chains
- primary processing
- cold storage
- poor supply chain infra
- high perishability
- fragmented holdings
- high seasonality
- productivity
- supply side bottlenecks
- fragmented market
- export infra.
- demand side bottlenecks
- production
- processing
- poor link btwn.
- by APMCs
- market constraint
- innovation
- product devt.
- low value export
- poor standard
- health safety
- quality
- need huge investment
- MFPs

- food processing ministry
- extended scheme till 2026
- food processing connecting farmers to domestic consumers
- international consumers
- GDP share 13% 2.5 lakh Cr. CAGR 10%
- links primary sector secondary sector tertiary sector
- employment more than 20 lakh
- in organized FP
- economy processed food market CAGR 15%
- to reach \$535 bn by 2025-26
- is Sunrise Industry

- FP industry
- umbrella scheme of sub-schemes
- Mega Food Parks (MFPs)
- cold chain, value addition infra
- food processing infra
- agro-processing clusters
- backward-forward linkages
- food-safety infra
- HR institutions
- operation Greens
- Central sector scheme earlier SAMPADA
- now PMKSY
- in Grants-in-aid 35% to 75% of project cost

- capital subsidy
- food processing units
- expand
- moderise
- agri. income
- value added product
- x2 farmers income
- export
- level of processing
- processing capacities
- wastages
- value addition
- jobs
- infra

- to create infra
- hand holding to investors
- fiscal incentives
- risk sharing
- Model Contract Farming Act
- expand eNam
- Village Haats to GrAMS
- village level proc.
- robust infra
- at village gate level
- AMIF
- Agri-export policy
- HR devt