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A reality check for Asia-Pacific Supply Chains



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SCRI: One of the alternatives being pushed by Japan, India and Australia, the geopolitical rival of China; ASEAN and probably the US to be invited

- **Major Challenges**

- India's trade experience with Japan, ASEAN & South Korea
- Conflict between the requirements of an international supply chain (open and efficient borders) and growing inward orientation* especially in India
- The cost of moving away from China at a time most businesses are strapped for cash and Japan's US\$ 2.2 billion subsidy doesn't seem to be enough
 - India's production linked subsidy of US\$5.6 billion for electronics manufacturers
- Emphasis on re-shoring by both Japan and the US
- The US entry may complicate the plot for India - IPR, market access in agriculture & ICT products, environment and labour rules and investment rules

India's trade with ASEAN, Japan, South Korea & the US (FY 2019-20) (in US\$ billion)

	Export	Import	Trade balance
ASEAN	31.54	55.36	-23.82
Australia	2.85	9.78	-6.93
Japan	4.52	12.43	-7.91
South Korea*	4.84	15.65	-10.81
USA	53.08	35.81	17.27
India's total	313.36	474.7	-161.34

Source: Dept of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, India

*South Korea could be a potential participant in SCRI