
AFTER BORDER CLASH WITH CHINA, INDIA TO CONTINUE STRENGTHENING TIES WITH U.S., OTHERS, EXPERTS SAY

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Indias border clash with China in June is likely to accelerate a trend where New Delhi continues to build and strengthen strategic partnerships with the United States and others to protect its national interests, experts told CNBC.

The stand-off in the Himalayas began in May and a violent June face-off killed 20 Indian soldiers, putting pressure on Prime Minister Narendra Modis government to respond. China did not disclose if there were casualties on its side.

Former diplomats and political commentators have said the altercation in June was a turning point in one of Asias most important bilateral relationships. For its part, New Delhi introduced measures in recent months aimed at either sidelining or banning Chinese companies from one of the worlds largest consumer markets, including restricting Chinese investments into India even before the border clash happened.

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