

South Asian association for regional co  
operation....SAARC....Bangladesh,Nepal,Bhutan,Maldives,Pakistan,Sri Lanka....  
Afghanistan...

Observer states...china,us,iran,japan,Australia,European union ...

Objectives...established in 1985

SaARC charter...

- 1.promote welfare and improve quality of life in south Asia...
- 2...economic,social and cultural growth ...
- 3...strengthening relations with international and regional organizations ...

Principal organs ...

- 1.Summit meeting ...Highest decision making body ...
- 2...council of ministers...foreign ministers ....
- 3...SaARC secretariat...Kathmandu,Nepal...secretary general ....

SaARC specialized bodies and regional centres...

- 1..SAARC DEVELOPMENT FUND...BHUTAN ...
- 2..SAARC AGRICULTURAL CENTRE...BANGLADESH....
- 3..SAARC ENERGY CENTRE...
- 4...SAARC TUBERCULOSIS...CENTR...NEPAL ...
- 5...SAARC DUSASTER MANAGEMENT CENTRE...INDIA...

Key agreements...

- 1.sAFTA...south Asia free free trade agreement...since 2006 .... Operational...trade liberalization...free movement of goods ...

2...SaARC visa exemption scheme...for specified categories...

3...SaARC Asian university...India...promote academic exchange...

### Challenges...

1...2014....summit ...2016...Uri attack...Pakistan ...no regular summits...

2...bilateral conflicts...India Pakistan ...ashmir ...mutual distrust....indus water treaty  
...hydropolitical hegemonization ...ndus water treaty ...suspend ....unilaterally suspend ....

3...political instability in member states...Afghanistan...internal crises...Taliban return into  
power...Sri Lanka...frequent regime change...

4...Ethnic conflicts...Balochistan...Bla ....Tamil ...issue in sri Lanka...

5...SAFTA...south Asia free trade agreement...low intra regional trade ...SaARC....5 percent  
...less...

6...asymmetry among member states..Maldives,Nepal and Bhutan...India dominance  
...feel overshadowed ...

7...bimstec ....Bay of Bengal initiative for multi sectoral technical and economic co  
operation...Pakistan ...not...south Asia...

8...security concerns ..robust security mechanism.....security doctrines..divergent  
.....India accuses Pakistan...pulwama attack...uri attack...pahalgam ...False flag  
operations...26 June ...SCO summit ...Rajnath Singh...Ajit doval ...joint statement ...

9...institutional weakness...SaARC secretariat...limited authority ...enforcement power...no...summit mechanism...delayed...

10...limited cultural diplomacy...people to people contact ...social integration...

Challenges????How to revive SaARC ...

Eco .... Economic co operation organization

Iran,turkey and Pakistan...initiative

Founding date...RCD ...regional cooperation development...1964...1985...

Member states...10...Afghanistan,azerbaijan,kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, turkmenistan and Uzbekistan.....headquarter ..Iran....

Institutional structure....

Council of ministers...foreign minister...highest decision making body....

2...council of permanent representative...Tehran...implementation

3...Regional planning council ...coordination

4...secretariat...administrative...secretary general...ambassador asad majeed

Areas co operation...

1...Trade and investment....

ECOTA....ECO...trade agreement....2003...trade liberalization...free movement of goods ..

Intra regional trade ....tariff reduction...taxes reduce ...it's not fully implemented...

2...transport and connectivity...

ITI...istanbul,Tehran and Islmbd ....rail corridor...regional connectivity project ...

3..energy co operation...

tAPI ...turkeminstan, Afghanistan, Pakistan and India...gas pipeline...

CASA...1000mw...central Asia ...south Asia...1000 me electricity...central .pakistan...

4.. Agricultural and environment...

Sustainable agriculture...new farming techniques...

Climate change resilience

Water resource management...

5...tourism and cultural exchange...

Cultural heritages protection...Iran ,turkey,Pakistan plus central Asia ...

6...ECO chamber of commerce and industry ...

7....ECO trade and development bank ...development bank ...

Challenges...

1...political tensions ..Pakistan, Afghanistan....

Azerbaijan,Armenia..

2...weak implementation...agreements unimplemented....

3...overlapping regional blocs...SCO...,OIC...SaARC ....

4...limited intra regional trade...below 8 percent of total trade...

5...lack of funding...large scale projects...no funding ...

6...Turkey and Iran ...middle east ...Syria ..Bashar Al Assad...Iran and Russia...Turkey .....

7...non state actors ...Afghanistan...gate way to central Asia states ..

8...ECO science foundation...Islmbd ...lack of funding ....scientific advancements ...o ...

9...ECO cultural institute...Khana e farhang e Irani...limited cultural promotion ...

10...land locked countries...central Asia...access to ocean ..

ASEAN .... Association of south east Asian nations ...

Date of establishment...1967..

Founding members...Indonesia,Malaysia,phillipines,Singapore,Thailand ...

Founding document...Bangkok declaration 1967...

Headquarters...Jakarta .. Indonesia

Official motto...one vision,one identity and one community...

Member states...Brunei...1984

Vietnam...1995

Laos ...1997...Myanmar...

Combodia...1999...easy Timor

11<sup>th</sup> member ...observer status ..

Institutional framework...

ASEAN summit...supreme decision making body ...heads of the states ..

ASEAN coordination council...implementation of decisions...

ASEAN secretariat...head secretary general

ASEAN regional forum..security dialogue and diplomacy ....

ASEAN intergovernmental commission on human rights...

Key agreements...

1.ASEAN fta ...free trade agreement...1992...regional economic integration...tariff reduction  
....

2...ASEAN economic community...2015...single market creation...free flow of goods  
...skilled labor...services...

3...ASEAN charter...2007...rules based legal entity...decision making ...institutionalization...

4...Regional comprehensive economic partnership...2020...GDP...china,Japan south korea,  
Australia and new Zealand..

5...ASEAN vision...2025...roadmap ...political, Economic and social integration...

Economic achievements....

Population..680 million...

Combined GDP....3.6 trillion dollars...

Global ranking ...5<sup>th</sup> largest economy...

Intra ASEAN regional trade...over 25 percent ...

ASEAN bub ..electronics,agriculture,tourism,digital economy...

Political and security co operation...

ASEAN way...non interference,quiet diplomacy ...

ASEAN defence minister meeting plus.....defense collaboration with external partners...

Cultural and social co operation...

Scholarship programs...youth exchange,regional academic networks...

Disaster relief network...ASEAN co ordination g centre for humanitarian assistance ...

Challenges...

Myanmar crises...2021...participation suspended...forums ...

South china sea dispute....90 percent ...china...law of seas...10 percent  
...phillipines,Malaysia ...Vietnam...

Economic disparity...Singapore ...laos???

Non interference...humanitarian issues...limited enforcement...

Geopolitical competition ..

Neutrality...china\_US rivalry...