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US has imposed double tariffs on India. Critically evaluate its economic and geopolitical implications on regional and global power politics.

1) Introduction:

History makes it evident that US and India are strategic partners from several decades, especially from the inclusion of India in GSP list from 1975. But their relations are in turmoil, when trump

imposed 25% tariff on 30 June 2025. The 25% tariff further added on the official imposition of previous 25%. The imposition of total 50% tariff on India is a result of Russian imports of oil and India's 39% tariff on all over goods of the world. This surging tariff war poses serious implication

for global and regional power politics. If this tariff continued, India will further enhance its trade with regional partners. It leads to stability in region due to bilateral engagement. While in global context, there will be shift in power balance global market will be affected and Indo-Pacific will also encounter serious changes.

2) Economic implication of US double tariff on India in regional context:

India and US are always remain their strategic partners from long time. The changing global dynamics and increasing imports of Russian oil of India causing turmoil in India and US relationships.

Due to this US imposed 50% tariff on India in August 2025.

There are the following regional economic implications of US double tariff on India.

2.1) Boost in trade with regional partners:

To stabilize its economy, India will endeavor to make its bilateral trade relationships with regional power such as China and Russia. This will lead to reduction in regional hostility and provide opportunities for economic stability.

2.2) India's dependency on US will come to an end:

As India and US always remain in good rapport with each other, but this imposition of tariff on goods will eventually result into deteriorated relationships.

As India exports 18% of global textile products, US

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will face serious repercussions due to devastated relations with India.

India will emerge as an independent country and will be free in making its Indo-Pacific strategy.

2.3) Global South's economic strength will overshadow west economy:

India is an emerging power. It is the world's 2nd ~~populist~~ country and emerging strong economy. Due to its bad relationship with west, its attitude will shift toward South partners. This will add an emerging strong economy in ~~west~~ the future alliances in South.

By this economic strength of region will improve which curtail the economic ~~independence~~ on west especially US. ~~can~~

2.4 Impacts on India's current account and weakening of rupee:

India is a major trade partner of US. Due to tariff issues, there will be decline in trade which will result into trade deficit. It will ^{will} effects India's current and ~~area~~ cause devaluation of rupee.

2.5) Threat of Job losses and reduction in production capacity:

In India micro, small and medium enterprises may struggle to absorb the tariff costs, potentially leading to Job losses and reduced production capacity.

2.6) India's GDP Growth will be affected badly:

GDP growth may decline by 0.2 to 0.5 percent. Some analysts are suggesting that reduction in

GDP up to 40 points in the financial year in March 2026.

3) Global Implications of US double tariff on India in economic and geostrategic context:

4) Shift in India's standing in Indo-Pacific region:

The US tariff may accelerate India's integration into the global trade network as a reliable partner, particularly in Indo-Pacific region.

2) US double tariff will affect Global Trade Architecture:

The US tariff on India and other countries may undermine the global trade architecture. It may potentially lead toward protectionism and bilateralism.

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3) US double Tariff on India
result into Serious trade war:

The US tariff may trigger retaliatory measures from Indian side. It will pose threat to global market. And eventually result into imbalancing of global trade.

4) India's attitude may shift
toward China for economic
stability :

The Recent attending of PM Narendra Modi's attendance at SCO Summit was a clear distinction of changing Indian foreign policy. Due to escalation in tariff India may further strengthen its ties with China for infrastructure and energy related projects.

Conclusion :

In conclusion, it is clearly stated that US tariff on India can result into both positive and negative consequences. In positive aspects, India's ties with regional powers will improve, economic dependency on US will curtail and opportunities for India's stability especially in Indo-Pacific will increase. While in negative aspects, global market disruption, imbalancing of global stability and shift in global alliances may emerge at the scene.