

# Iran's Nuclear Programme & India's Pipeline Diplomacy

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## **Abstract**

India-Iran centuries of old friends, continue to face challenges in various streams. September 11 terrorist attack at New York and the changing contours of economic liberalization have brought contemporary debates. US involvement in Middle East, political intervention on nuclear and political issues have added several agreements and disagreements where relations have been marked by certain degree of ambivalence. Iran's Nuclear Programme and Iran-Pakistan-India Gas Pipeline (IPIGP) highly ambitious Project therefore remain influx due to involvement of major powers. It is therefore imperative to examine the contemporary relations between India and Iran within the parameters of changing ideology, national interest and power bargaining.

Controversy, contradiction and coordination are now integral phenomenon during the age of globalization and neo-realism. American sanctions on Iran's suspicious nuclear programme over and Pak's attitude over energy sectors have occasionally frustrated India. But India cannot keep away from Iran with well known facts that gas and petroleum are key factors in determining foreign policy while nuclear issues remains secondary concern for India. The gist of paper centers around pipelines diplomacy and nuclear policy where India finds either a lonely partner or