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Uniform Civil Code | States break Article 44 silence

A UCC framework won't fix everything overnight, and the first draft will have flaws. But it creates a legal floor where none exists

 Avinash Verma  Ashok R Patil Last Updated : 07 May 2026, 11:55 IST

Context States are now pushing the Uniform Civil Code after decades of silence on Article 44. The main concern is gender justice with protection of tribal and minority concerns.

Facts

■ The Shah Bano judgment (1985) - need of common civil code to address gender inequality.

■ Chattisgarh & M.P. formed UCC committees chaired by Justice Ranjana Prakash Desai.

Analytical Crux

The UCC debate is not about uniformity; it is about whether constitutional promises can become real remedies for women. State-level UCCs show federal experimentation, but consultation cannot be superficial because tribal rights are involved. It should balance gender justice, cultural protection & constitutional morality. The value of UCC will be judged by whether a vulnerable woman gets maintenance, a daughter gets equal inheritance and tribal rights are not reduced to paper exemptions.

Verbatim Quotes

“A UCC framework won't fix everything overnight, and the first draft will have flaws. But it creates a legal floor where none exists.”

—Avinash Verma & Ashok R. Patil

Article - 2 : One year after operation Sindoor- Reassessing China Pakistan axis

One Year After Operation Sindoor: Reassessing the China-Pakistan Axis

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Expert Speak Raisina Debates

Published on May 08, 2026



A year since Operation Sindoor, the presumed depth of Sino-Pakistani military coordination appears more calibrated than integrated, prompting India to refine its two-front threat assessment

Author



Context

China - Pakistan coordination after Operation Sindoor is serious but not a fully military alliance. India must prepare for Pakistan using Chinese-origin military systems.

Facts

■ 81% of Pakistan's weapon inventory during 2020-24 was of Chinese origin.

■ Pakistan is among the 3 leading recipients of Chinese arms, along with Myanmar and Bangladesh.

Analytical Crux

The China-Pakistan axis is not a treaty alliance, but powerful strategic arrangement against India. China gains by keeping India busy on the western front without taking direct alliance risks. Operation Sindoor showed that Chinese weapons in Pakistani hands are part of India's threat environment. India should adopt military preparedness, technological adaptation, border infrastructure & diplomatic caution with China.

Verbatim Quotes

"The presumed depth of operational alignment between Beijing & Islamabad has proven more limited, uneven & politically constrained than often assumed."

"For China, the partnership with Islamabad provides a rare opportunity to sell weapons, field-test them in an active South Asian theatre, validate their export competitiveness and benchmark performance against Western-origin platforms in India's inventory."

Article - 3 : Don't mistake UAE's OPEC exit for an Indian win



Don't mistake UAE's OPEC exit for an Indian win

The emerging scenario does not look good for India. Once he consolidates his hold on global energy, Donald Trump's natural inclination will be to squeeze India, China, and the rest of the world as he did with trade tariffs

K P Nayar Last Updated : 08 May 2026, 12:58 IST

Context UAE's exit from OPEC should not be seen as a simple gain for India because it is part of a larger reshaping of global energy power.

Facts

- Nearly 45% of global crude output is outside OPEC.
- The IEA forecasts - India to have largest growth in oil consumption over the next decade and a half.

Analytical Crux

Energy security is an important part of foreign policy, not just an economic issue. India's rising demand gives its bargaining power, but also makes its vulnerable to new energy cartels & supply pressures. UAE's OPEC exit is a sign of changing global energy alignments and not an advantage for India. There is an inter relation between energy security with strategic autonomy, supply diversification, strategic reserves and India's role in West Asia.

Verbatim Quotes

"The Iran war has triggered changes in the global energy map. It gives New Delhi the power to shape a new order in global energy that is being created."

— K P Nayar

- 1. 2025 GS-II: “Energy security constitutes the dominant kingpin of India’s foreign policy, and is linked with India’s overarching influence in Middle Eastern countries. How would you integrate energy security with India’s foreign policy trajectories in the coming years?”**
- 2. 2025 PSIR Paper II: “China’s growing footprint and a tangible shift in power dynamics in Bangladesh has weakened India’s leverage in Dhaka. Comment.”**
- 3. 2025 PSIR Paper I: “Explain how the slogan ‘the personal is political’ addresses the issue of women’s oppression and discrimination?”**
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