

Indo-Pacific Logistics Network (IPLN)

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Quad partners recently convened at the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies in Honolulu, Hawaii, for a Tabletop Exercise, a simulation to launch the Quad Indo-Pacific Logistics Network IPLN.

About Indo-Pacific Logistics Network

- The Quad Indo-Pacific Logistics Network pilot project was launched during the fourth Quad Leaders' Summit in September 2024.
- IPLN is an initiative that **enables Quad partners to leverage shared logistics capabilities** in the Indo-Pacific to **support civilian response to natural disasters** more rapidly and efficiently across the region.
- This effort will complement existing efforts with Indo-Pacific partners.
- **Together with the Indo-Pacific Partnership for Maritime Domain Awareness**, the **IPLN reflects the Quad's commitment to ensuring a free and open Indo-Pacific** and highlights the value of strengthening practical cooperation to address regional challenges.

What is Quad?

- The Quad, officially the **Quadrilateral Security Dialogue**, is a group of **four countries: the United States, Australia, India, and Japan**.
- **Genesis:**
 - Quad **came together during the 2004 tsunami** in the Indian Ocean region to coordinate response and assistance to countries in the region.
 - The **first meeting** of Quad officials took place on the **sidelines of the ASEAN Regional Forum** summit in the Philippines **in May 2007**.
 - After a gap of 10 years, Quad officials met in Manila in November 2017 on the margins of the East Asia Summit for consultations on connectivity issues; maritime security and counter-terrorism; shared principles for a Free and Open Indo-Pacific; and proliferation threats in Asia.
- **Since 2021, the leaders of the four nations have met annually** to drive the Quad's positive contributions across South Asia, Southeast Asia, and the Pacific.
- The core objective of the Quad is to secure a rules-based global order, freedom of navigation, and a liberal trading system.
- The coalition also aims to **offer alternative debt financing for nations in the Indo-Pacific region**.
- **It is basically seen as a strategic grouping to reduce Chinese domination.**

Indo-Pacific Logistics Network FAQs

Q1. What is the primary purpose of the Indo-Pacific Logistics Network (IPLN) initiative?

Ans. Enables Quad partners to leverage shared logistics capabilities in the Indo-Pacific to support civilian response to natural disasters.

Q2. Which four countries make up the Quad?

Ans. India, Australia, USA, Japan

Q3. When did the Quad countries first come together?

Ans. Quad came together during the 2004 tsunami in the Indian Ocean region to coordinate response and assistance to countries in the region.

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