

Delhi Regional Security Dialogue on Afghanistan

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In news– India hosted the “Delhi Regional Security Dialogue on Afghanistan” on 10 November 2021.

About the Dialogue

- The Dialogue was **held at the level of National Security Advisers / Secretaries of Security Councils.**
- It was **chaired by National Security Adviser, Shri Ajit Doval.**
- It witnessed the **participation of Iran, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan**, who were represented by their respective National Security Advisers / Secretaries of the Security Councils.
- However, **both China and Pakistan have denied participating in it.**
- **No delegation from Afghanistan was invited.**
- It aimed to deliberate upon measures to address the relevant security challenges and support the people of Afghanistan in promoting peace, security and stability.
- All the participating countries called for closer coordination and collective efforts to tackle threats such as terrorism emanating from Afghanistan and to address a looming humanitarian crisis.
- **This is the first time that all Central Asian countries – and not just Afghanistan’s immediate land neighbours, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan – have participated in discussions in this format** along with Kazakhstan and Kyrgyz Republic.
- **The first two editions of the Dialogue were hosted by the Islamic Republic of Iran in 2018 and 2019.**