

Supply Chain Resilience Initiative

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- In a move to counter China's dominance of supply chain in the Indo-Pacific region and creating a virtuous cycle of enhancing supply chain resilience with a view to attaining strong, sustainable, balanced and inclusive growth in the region, trade ministers of India, Japan and Australia formally launched the 'Supply Chain Resilience Initiative (SCRI).
- The Ministers consented that **expansion of the SCRI may be considered based on consensus,** if needed, in due course. In 2019, the cumulative GDP of the three countries was \$9.3 trillion, while **cumulative merchandise goods and services trade were \$2.7 trillion** and \$900 billion, respectively.
- Possible policy measures in SCRI may inude-
 - Supporting the enhanced utilization of digital technology
 - Supporting trade and investment diversification
- The ministers decided to convene atleast once a year to provide guidance to the implementation of the SCRI as well as to consult on how to develop the initiative.



