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Double vision: Islamabad's U-turn on trade with India is telling

The article at hand talks about Pakistan's reversal from its proposal to import certain commodities from India as the author discusses various aspects of the issue.

The proposal, which was supposed to improve bilateral ties with India, is now a testament to Pakistan's stance regarding India is still marred with indecision and contradiction.

The other side of the equation contains an aggressive China, which has ignited certain extremist sections in Pakistan that the deal with Afghanistan could be beneficial to Pakistan and the Taliban.

However, America looks set to deny Pakistan this luxury, and even the smarter people in Pakistan are not in favour of supporting China unconditionally.

As things stand, Pakistan looks to remain neutral in the wake of a cold war. Its economy has been in bad shape owing to its investment in jihad, and it would have been wise not to reverse the import decision. Hence, India also needs to respond carefully to this situation.

Words to look out for

Piquant:

- **Synonyms:** spicy, tasty, exciting
- **Antonyms:** flavourless, flat, insipid
- **Word usage:** The piquant news brought huge TRP to the channel.

Posture:

- **Synonyms:** pose, seat, bearing
- **Word usage:** One posture must be perfect for getting a perfect picture.

Impulse:

- **Synonyms:** boost, encouragement, incitement
- **Antonyms:** discouragement, dissuasion, caution
- **Word usage:** Impulses play a significant role in driving our decisions when in doubt.

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