India as Kingmaker

Status Quo or Revisionist Power

As India finds itself in the envious position of kingmaker, both the status quo and revisionist major powers are jockeying for India's support for either upholding or revising the current world order. Using India's bilateral treaties as a proxy measure of the strength of its relationship with other major powers, Slobodchikoff and Tandon determine whether India will remain neutral in its foreign policy approach or adopt a more assertive role in shaping the future global order. This book provides an in-depth analysis of India's bilateral ties with major powers that include the United States, Russia, China, Japan, as well as the European Union (including the United Kingdom, France, and Germany) and uses network analysis to study India's foreign policy positions with other major powers.

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