



# Vimarsh 2025

Asian Parliamentary Debate





Theme



Economics





# Context for motion 1

Protectionism is an economic policy that involves the use of trade barriers, such as tariffs, quotas, and subsidies, to restrict the import of foreign goods and protect domestic industries from foreign competition.

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# Motion 1

THBT it is in the interests of developed countries to practice protectionism.



# Context for motion 2

The Gross National Happiness (GNH) Index is a holistic measure of well-being that prioritizes collective happiness over economic growth. Introduced by Bhutan, it evaluates societal progress based on nine domains: psychological well-being, health, education, time use, cultural diversity, good governance, community vitality, ecological diversity, and living standards.



# Motion 2

TH, as a developing country, would choose to deprioritise economic modernisation in favour of the Gross National Happiness Index



# Motion 3

THBT developing economies should prioritize transitioning into service heavy economies ( developing sectors such as IT, warehousing, shipping etc.) as opposed to specializing in agriculture or manufacturing