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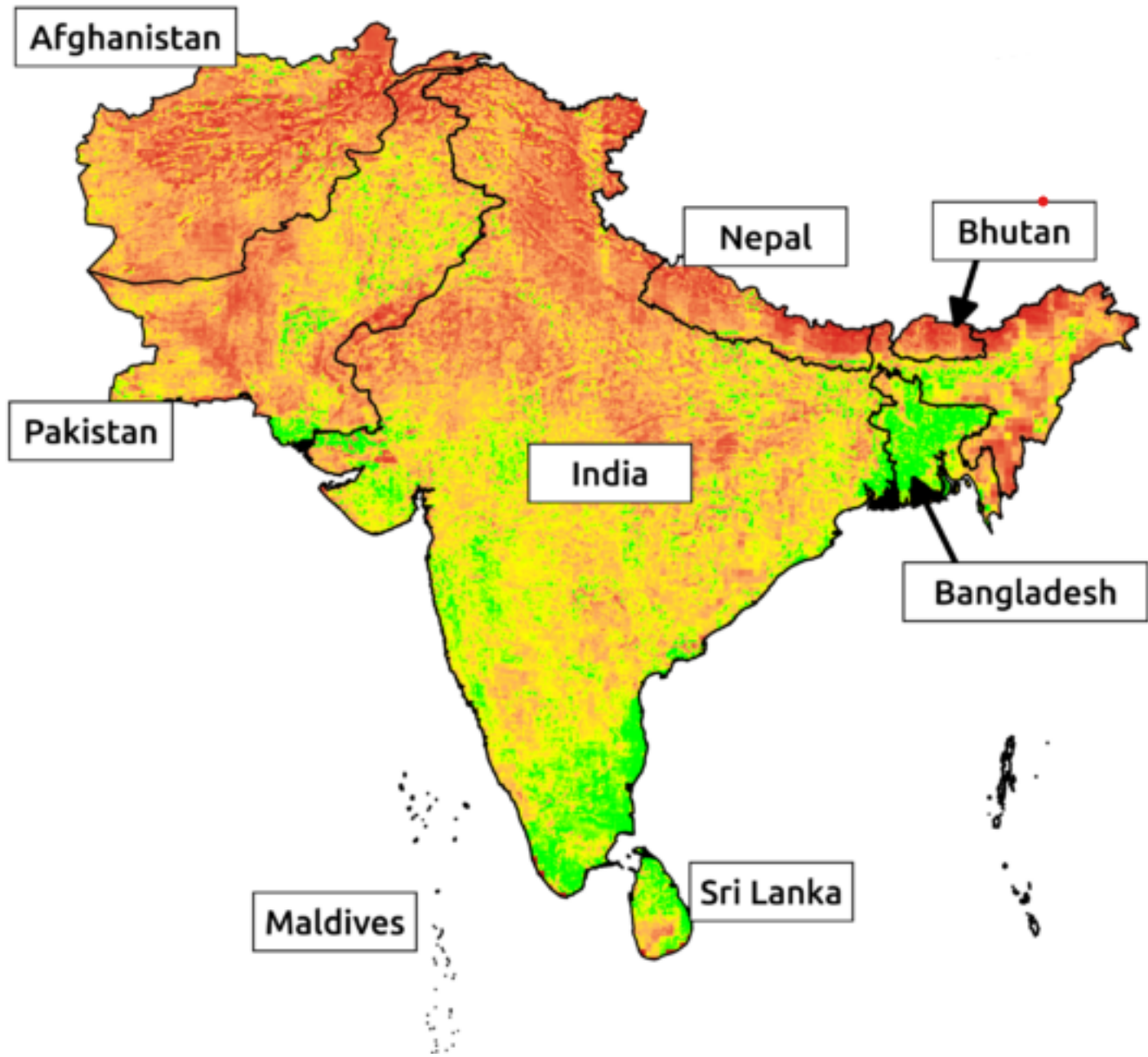




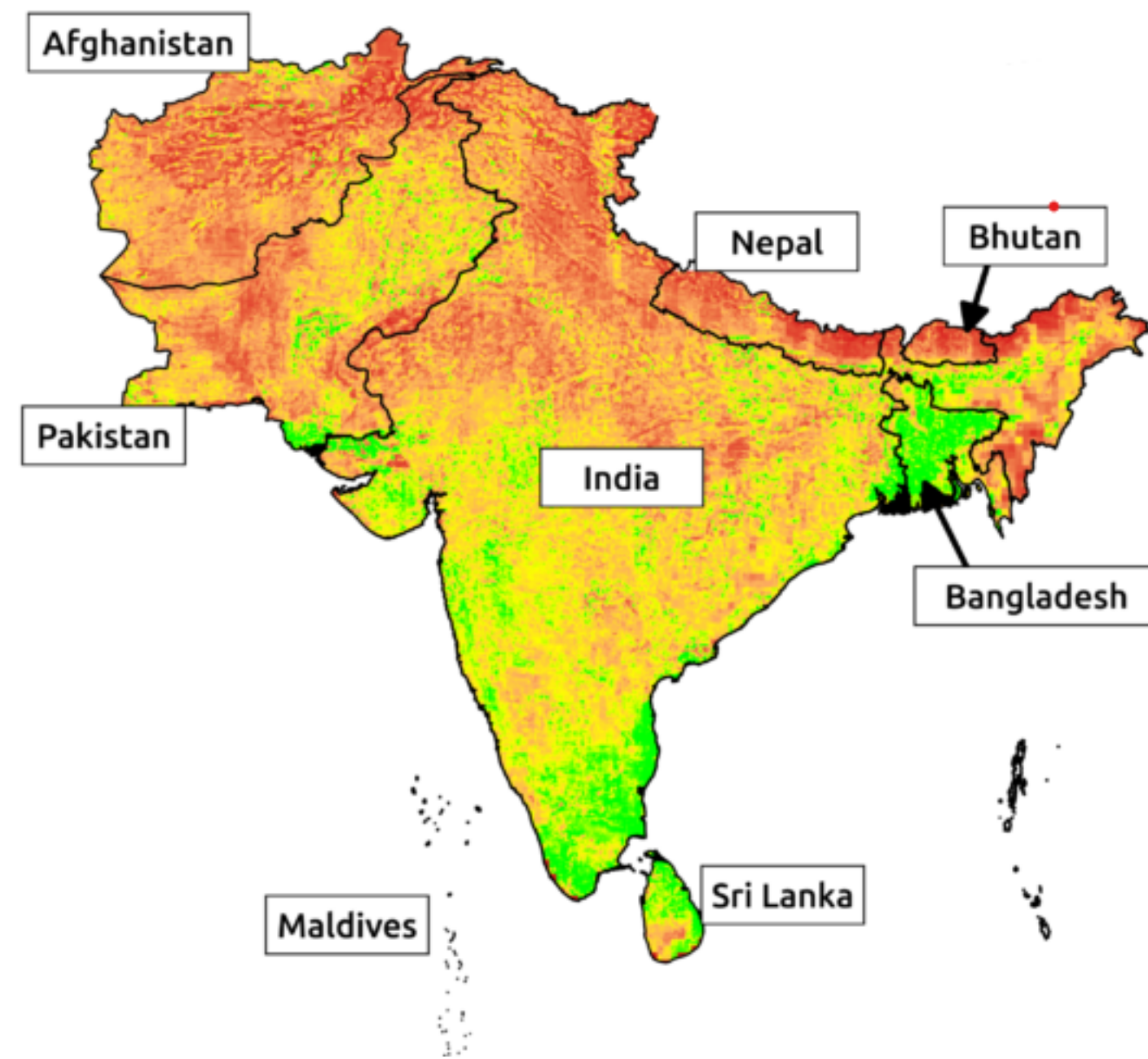


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9. Erosion of India's influence in Asia :



A small island nation like Maldives feels confident in spurning India, **Nepal has no compunctions about engaging with China** as does **Sri Lanka**. Until five years ago, India enjoyed a pre-eminent position in the subcontinent with its voice sought on resolving matters within these countries. It is clear that that influence has been eroded because of a foreign policy lacking any coherent objectives, except to promote the **Prime Minister's cult of personality**.

10. Jobs :

