

Application of Kautilya's Mandala Theory in Contemporary Geopolitics

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Abstract: *Kautilya's Mandala Theory, as outlined in the Arthashastra, provides a strategic framework for understanding international relations based on the concept of concentric circles of alliances and adversaries. This paper examines the applicability of Mandala Theory in contemporary geopolitics by analyzing modern state interactions, alliances, and power dynamics. The study explores the influence of this ancient Indian political philosophy on current diplomatic strategies, regional conflicts, and global power equations.*

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