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Title: Issue regarding Indo-China relation.

SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB (CUTTACK): The Government of India first issued and then withdrew a visa to Chinese dissident leader, Dolkun Isa. This *faux pas* only brought into focus the need to calibrate relations with Beijing. It is a conundrum with several equations to be resolved. Bandung Conference was held in 1956 which laid the foundation for Non-Aligned Movement. Subsequent flight of the Dalai Lama in 1959 to India led to bitter fall out in 1962 which has left the festering wound of a border dispute. Isa was invited for a conference at Dharamshala, the abode of Tibetan Government in exile and you cannot expect China to take it kindly. It calls him a terrorist, though he is a pro-democracy leader.

Sir, later Lu Jinghua, the well-known Tiananmen activist, who was about to board a flight from New York, was told that her Indian visa was off. Would China have behaved in this fashion? China has good relations with America despite US promoting democracy in China. When India has become a strategic ally of the United States, why is this flip-flop with China?

Beijing blocked India's attempt to declare Masood Azhar as an international terrorist at the UN and said that it is a bilateral one between India and Pakistan. Why are we demonstrating our helplessness in dealing with China? There is a clear China-Pakistan coalition. We need a clear-cut China policy today, keeping in mind the Pakistan axis, uncertainties in the US and threats to India's economic welfare. One may say it is algebra of 21st century geo-politics. But algebraic problem is solved also by clarity. Thank you.

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