Traders are on a war-footing over China's new trade war move with India

Tariffs are only one aspect of the trade war. Although it has been in the public eye, the struggle to control the future of high technology is arguably even more important than the balance of economic power between the US and China.

**Early 2018**
- Washington imposes punitive tariffs on Chinese goods.

**Mid-2018**
- China responds with retaliatory tariffs on American goods.

**2019**
- US and China restart trade negotiations.

**2020**
- The US and China sign a limited trade deal.

**2021**
- The US and China resume negotiations and trade talks.

While the US continues to face economic challenges, China has been able to maintain its growth trajectory by implementing a range of policies to stimulate domestic demand. This has allowed the country to weather the trade war and maintain its position as the world's second-largest economy.

**2022**
- Tensions escalate as the US and China continue to face trade disputes over issues such as technological advancement and human rights.

**2023**
- The US and China reach a tentative agreement to end the trade war, but disagreements continue to surface over various issues, such as intellectual property rights and technology transfer.

This ongoing struggle for economic dominance between the US and China has significant implications for global trade, technology development, and geopolitical relations. As the trade war continues, both countries will need to navigate complex political and economic challenges in order to maintain their respective positions in the global economy.

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**Market winnings**

At a time when markets have become more volatile and a mild positive sentiment prevails, asset managers can assist by enhancing the level of engagement with clients and investors, particularly in the cost of borrowing and improving their transparency. This is crucial for the future of the sector.

India's readiness to open its economy to foreign investors is likely to spur expectations, although there is a risk of overhype. The need for a balanced approach in terms of policy coordination and market development is evident.

**KL on a roll**

KL has been on the rise for quite some time now, and it seems the city is about to become the next big thing. The change in KL is quite evident, with recently completed infrastructural developments, the cityscape is now more modern and appealing. Many of the coastal states have already witnessed the rise and success of KL, and the same trend is expected to continue for a while. The city's development and focus on the environment are key factors driving its growth. The city is on the right track to become a global city.
Reservation: A path to social justice, not easing poverty

Over breakfast, the leader of Tamil Nadu's Viduthalai Chiruthaigal Katchi (VCK) explains Sushila Raviavarathu why caste is still a valid idea in Tamil Nadu. He adds that society has changed in the last few decades, and will continue to change if communal forces do not gain ground.

I t was NOT really meant to have Breakfast with Thirumavalan, the leader of Tamil Nadu's Viduthalai Chiruthaigal Katchi (VCK) I have been wanting to talk to for months even since came out strongly against the recently arrested 150 lawyers in the state and觉醒ed to the upper caste.

Thirumavalan is an impatient young man. He has genuine concerns, pristine political principles, and a razor-sharp intellect. Longing among the young, especially the upmarket young Dalits. His party in 19 years of existence has evolved into an alternative fight for Dalit rights, but also for many other issues, creating a broader agenda including rejection of caste, state and women's emancipation, among others.

He has struggled for much of mainstream politics. The two Dalit parties, will have a common Dalit identity, and the 150 lawyers. The VCK has never been a part of mainstream media. Thirumavalan has also declined to speak for the party, a part of a renaming that has chosen the Patnaik-backed Makkal Kali and DLK, the Tamil party.

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