India's NSG Bid: Dealing with a hostile China

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The induction of India's indigenous manufactured Light Combat Aircraft (LCA) Tejas into the Indian Air Force (IAF) was a landmark event in the country's technological and defence capabilities. Two of the aircraft ceremonially joined the Air Force recently. Tejas has been under development for more than 20 years, with the first flight taking place in 2003. The programme has faced numerous delays and cost overruns, with the Indian government having to bail out the programme several times. The latest batch of Tejas LCA, the LCA Mark-1A, is expected to be inducted into the Air Force in the coming months. The Tejas LCA is a light twin-engine, canard configuration, Medium-Range Fighter, which can undertake various roles such as air defence, close air support, and strike missions.

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