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Objectives

South Asia is one of the great cradles of civilization in the world. It has been the theatre of great conflicts and wars too. The scars of partition have been haunting the region ever since the withdrawal of the British. However, following the initiative of the late General Zia-ul-Rahman of Bangladesh an arrangement was hammered out for regional co-operation in South Asia. Thus came into existence the SAARC.

Even though SAARC is moving on a slow pace it has contributed towards greater understanding among the people of South Asia. For furthering of understanding among the people of the region, academic centers of South Asian Studies are being established and networked in various Universities in different countries of the region. Similarly, for dissemination of knowledge as also to promote serious research in all aspects of South Asia inter-disciplinary Journals are being launched.

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