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Redrawing the petrochemicals global map and India's position on it: A focus on polymers

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Synopsis

Feedstock considerations are resulting in new global focal points of ethylene and propylene production. The US will grow its ethylene capacity while Middle East diversifies its feedstock to naphtha and LPG in the absence of more cheap ethane. China bets on alternate feeds like coal to produce more propylene and Europe defends its petrochemicals industry. All these will have an impact on the polymer business and global trade map will see changes. As polymer demand continues to hold up in Asia, what should Asia and India Expect?