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In this week's episode of the *Thinking Global* podcast, Michael Kugelman speaks with the team and explores both the international and regional dynamics of contemporary South Asian politics. Starting by answering two questions about the upcoming elections in Pakistan and India, alongside the global reach of these elections, Michael Kugelman talks about democratic backsliding in the South Asian region, Sri Lanka in the international arena and, finally, the lessons that must be learnt for US foreign policy after the withdrawal from Afghanistan.

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