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#### **Programme**\*

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#### DAY ONE: MONDAY, 21 MARCH 2022

#### Inaugural Session 9:45 A.M.–10:45 A.M.

**Chair:** Deepa Wadhwa, Member, Governing Council, Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi; former Ambassador of India to Japan, Qatar and Sweden.

Welcome Remarks: Ashok K. Kantha, Director, Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi; former Ambassador of India to China.

**Opening Remarks:** Rajat Kathuria, Dean, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Shiv Nadar University, Greater Noida.

**Convener's Remarks:** Sandip Mishra, Convener, 1<sup>st</sup> AICEAS; Associate Professor, Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University; Honorary Fellow, Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi.

**Keynote Address:** H.E. Taro Kono, Director, Liberal Democratic Party Public Affairs Department; former Minister, Administrative Reform and Regulatory Reform; former Minister for Foreign Affairs and Minister of Defence, Government of Japan.

**Vote of Thanks:** Jabin T. Jacob, Co-Convener, 1<sup>st</sup> AICEAS; Associate Professor, Department of International Relation and Governance Studies, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Shiv Nadar University, Greater Noida.

#### BREAK: 10:45 A.M.-11:00 A.M.

# Special Panel I: East Asia and the Soft Power Diplomacy 11:00 A.M.–12:30 P.M.

**Panel Convener:** Dharitri Narzary Chakravartty, Assistant Professor, School of Liberal Studies, Ambedkar University, Delhi; formerly Research Associate, India Bureau of the Yomiuri Shimbun (New Delhi Office).

## Chair: Skand R. Tayal, Adjunct Fellow, Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi; former Ambassador of India to Republic of Korea.

#### Speakers:

Vyjayanti Raghavan, Professor, Centre for Korean Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

South Korea's Soft Power and Search for Global Presence

Raviprasad Narayanan, Associate Professor, Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi; Adjunct Fellow, Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi.

#### Taiwan: Soft Power as Determinant

Vikas Jambhulkar, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University, Nagpur.

#### The Affective and Normative Dimension of Soft Power in East Asia

Dharitri Narzary Chakravartty, Assistant Professor, School of Liberal Studies, Ambedkar University, Delhi; formerly Research Associate, India Bureau of the Yomiuri Shimbun (New Delhi Office).

Reflecting on Japan's Soft Power in Contemporary Period

#### BREAK: 12:30 P.M.-1:15 P.M.

#### Thematic Panel I: Disruption: China and East Asia 1:15 P.M.–2:45 P.M.

Chair: Sharad Kumar Soni, Director, Jawaharlal Nehru Institute of Advanced Study (JNIAS) and Professor, Centre for Inner Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

Speakers:

Siddharth Rai, Doctoral Candidate, Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

Economic Cooperation Framework Agreement: A Study of Cross-Straits Economic Integration

Aishe Ghosh, Doctoral Candidate, Centre for Inner Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

Belt and Road Initiative: Implications on Mongolia

Kant Kumar, Doctoral Candidate, Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

China and the UNCLOS: The Legal Status of China's Claimed Area in the East China Sea and Its Implications Among the East Asian Countries

Khushboo Sen Dhuruv, Doctoral Candidate, Centre for European Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

South China Sea: A Triangle of Dispute between China, Southeast Asia and India

Discussant: Shamshad A. Khan, Assistant Professor, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Birla Institute of Technology & Science (BITS Pilani), Dubai Campus; Visiting Associate Fellow, Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi.

BREAK: 2:45 P.M.-3:00 P.M.

Thematic Panel II: In Transition: Security & Economics 3:00 P.M.-4:30 P.M.

Chair: Siddharth Mallavarapu, Professor, Department of International Relations and Governance Studies, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Shiv Nadar University, Greater Noida.

#### **Speakers:**

Bhavana Kumari, Doctoral Candidate, Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

#### Taiwan-US Bonhomie: Whose Trick, Whose Treat?

Anuprita Lele, Master's Student (China Studies), K J Somaiya Institute of Dharma Studies, Somaiya Vidyavihar University, Vidyanagar, Vidyavihar East, Mumbai.

Omkar Bhole, Master's Student (China Studies), K J Somaiya Institute of Dharma Studies, Somaiya Vidyavihar University, Vidyanagar, Vidyavihar East, Mumbai.

Ishani Kotwal, Master's Student (China Studies), K J Somaiya Institute of Dharma Studies, Somaiya Vidyavihar University, Vidyanagar, Vidyavihar East, Mumbai.

#### Motivations Behind Japan's Security Conundrum In Taiwan

Parul Bakshi, Doctoral Candidate, Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi; Japan Foundation Japanese Studies Fellow, University of Tokyo, Tokyo.

The Geopolitics of Japan's Energy Transition: Case of the Middle East and Russia

Kaushal Kishore Chandel, Assistant Professor, Centre for Chinese and South East Asian Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi; Fulbright Nehru Doctoral Researcher (2019-2020), India China Institute, The New School, New York.

China as a Factor in Taiwan's National Cyber Security Strategy

Rajarshi Biswas, Master's Student in Chinese, Department of Chinese Language and Culture, Visva-Bharati University, Santiniketan.

Tracing the Historical Perspective of India-Mongolia Relations and China's Response

Discussant: Rajiv Kumar, Research Professor, Institute of Indian Studies, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, Seoul.

#### BREAK: 4:30 P.M.- 4:45 P.M.

#### Special Panel II: Transforming Strategic Order in East Asia: Regional Developments and National Responses 4:45 P.M.– 6:15 P.M.

Panel Convener: Jojin V. John, Research Fellow, Indian Council of World Affairs, New Delhi.

Chair: Srabani Roy Choudhury, Professor, Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi; Adjunct Fellow, Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi.

#### Speakers:

Prashant Kumar Singh, Associate Fellow, Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi.

Taiwan's External Relations Amidst International and Regional Strategic Flux

Avinash Anil Godbole, Associate Professor (International Relations) and Assistant Academic Dean, Jindal School of Liberal Arts and Humanities, O.P. Jindal Global University (Institution of Eminence Deemed to be University), Sonipat.

China's Evolving East Asia Strategy: Domestic Imperatives

Titli Basu, Associate Fellow, East Asia Centre, Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi.

Reimagining Japan's Role in East Asian Security

Jojin V. John, Research Fellow, Indian Council of World Affairs, New Delhi.

South Korea and the East Asian Regional Order Transition: The Quest for Strategic Autonomy

#### DAY TWO: TUESDAY, 22 MARCH 2022

#### Thematic Panel III: In Flux: Political Economy 9:30 A.M.–11:00 A.M.

Chair: Partha Mukhopadhyay, Senior Fellow, Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi; Honorary Fellow, Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi.

#### **Speakers:**

Radha Raghuramapatruni, Chairperson, BOS- Department of International Business and Associate Professor, GITAM Institute of Management, GITAM (Deemed to be University), Visakhapatnam.

Paluri Sheela, Professor, Department of Finance, GITAM Institute of Management, GITAM (Deemed to be University), Visakhapatnam.

Yugesh K. Singh, Research Scholar, GITAM Institute of Management, GITAM (Deemed to be University), Visakhapatnam.

An Empirical Analysis of Trade Relations between India and the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN)

Shubhangi Jain, Master's Student, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi, Delhi.

Political Economy of Climate Change in South Korea: From Green Growth to Green Transformation

Raj Deep, Doctoral Candidate, Centre for Inner Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

Gauging the Importance of Electoral Reforms in Evolving Procedural Democracy in Mongolia

Chandrali Sarkar, Senior Researcher, Keio University, Tokyo; Doctoral Candidate, Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

The Trajectory of Structural Reform of Japanese Economy: Strategizing Package-Type Infrastructure Overseas

Yukti Panwar, Master's Student (Diplomacy, Law and Business) and Research Intern, Centre of Northeast Asian Studies and Publications Coordinator, Centre of Security Studies, Jindal School of International Affairs, O.P. Jindal Global University, Sonipat

Ashita Koul, Postgraduate Diploma Student, The Indian Society of International Law, New Delhi; Research Intern, Political Sampark.

Comparative Analysis of Socio - Political Development of Women in India and South Korea

Discussant: Titli Basu, Associate Fellow, East Asia Centre, Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi.

#### BREAK: 11:00 A.M.-11:15 A.M.

# Special Panel III: India's Engagement with East Asia in the Post-RCEP Era 11:15 A.M.–12:45 P.M.

**Panel Convener:** G. Venkat Raman, Associate Professor, Humanities and Social Sciences Department, Indian Institute of Management Indore; Adjunct Fellow, Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi.

Chair: G. Balatchandirane, (Retd.) Professor, Department of East Asian Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Delhi, Delhi.

#### **Speakers:**

Debashis Chakraborty, Associate Professor, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, Kolkata.

India's Trade Engagement with 'East' Asia: Post RCEP Expectations

Nilanjan Banik, Professor and Program Director (BA, Economics and Finance) School of Management, Mahindra University, Hyderabad.

Engagement and Isolation with China, How much does India stand to Gain or Lose?

G. Venkat Raman, Associate Professor, Humanities and Social Sciences Department, Indian Institute of Management Indore; Adjunct Fellow, Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi.

India's Foreign Policy Challenges and the Politics of Regional Trade Agreements

Roger Chi-feng Liu, Associate Professor, Department of Social Sciences, FLAME University, Pune.

"Promoting Practical Engagements between India and Taiwan with the QUAD Framework in the Post-RCEP Era: Opportunities and Challenges"

To-hai Liou, Director, Center for WTO Studies and Adjunct Professor of Diplomacy, National Chengchi University, Taipei.

Taiwan-India Economic Relations in the Post-RCEP Era

#### BREAK: 12:45 P.M.-1:30 P.M.

Thematic Panel IV: Kaleidoscope: Literature & History 1:30 P.M.–3:00 P.M.

Chair: Gita A. Keeni, Associate Professor & Head of the Department, Department of Japanese (Nippon Bhavana), Bhasha-Bhavana, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan.

#### Speakers:

Nidhi Maini, Doctoral Candidate, Department of East Asian Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Delhi, Delhi.

Shufu no Tomo: Dressing Up the Interwar Japanese Women

Mayank Sharma, Doctoral Candidate, Centre for Japanese Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

The Depiction of Māyā in Endō Shūsaku's Fukai kawa : The Case of Isobe and Kiguchi

Cherry Hitkari, Master's Student, Department of East Asian Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Delhi, Delhi.

Constructing the "Homeworld" and "Alienworld": Understanding North Korea through Propaganda posters

Ashna Joy, Doctoral Candidate, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology Madras, Chennai.

Survival of Mongolian Culture Under China: Analysis between Qing Dynasty and People's Republic Of China

Shreya Mamgain, Doctoral Candidate, Department of East Asian Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Delhi, Delhi.

Korean Collaboration and Japanese Colonisation 1876-1945: A Political Legacy and Assessment

Discussant: Tariq Sheikh, Assistant Professor, Asian Languages: Japanese, School of Arab and Asian Studies, The English and Foreign Languages University (EFLU), Hyderabad.

#### BREAK: 3:00 P.M.-3:15 P.M.

Thematic Panel V: Shape-Shifting: Culture & Society 3:15 P.M.–4:45 P.M.

Chair: Sushila Narsimhan, Professor (Retd.) of Japanese Studies, Department of East Asian Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Delhi, Delhi.

#### **Speakers:**

Visieno Kiso, Doctoral Candidate, Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

Japanese Pop Culture's Response to COVID-19: Embracing Digitalization and Hybridization

Tanu Diwakar, Doctoral Candidate, Centre for Japanese Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

Challenges and Strategies of Interlingual Subtitling: A Case Study of Japanese Subtitles of the Hindi Film 3 Idiots

Ahmad Shadaan, Doctoral Candidate, Department of East Asian Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Delhi, Delhi.

#### Bosozoku Subculture: Japanese Speed Tribe

Pratyusha Majumder, Master's Student (Japanese Language), Department of East Asian Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Delhi, Delhi.

Hikikomori: How the Youth of Japan Are Living as a Shut-in

Discussant: Anushree, Assistant Professor, Centre for Japanese Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

#### BREAK: 4:45 P.M.-5:00 P.M.

#### Valedictory Session 5:00 P.M.–6:00 P.M.

Chair: Ashok K. Kantha, Director, Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi.

Welcome Remarks: Gopal Karunakaran, Executive Director, Shiv Nadar University, Greater Noida.

**Valedictory Address:** Kim Yeon-chul, former Minister of Unification, Republic of Korea; former President, Korea Institute for National Unification; Professor, Inje University, Republic of Korea.

**Report of Conference:** Jabin T. Jacob, Co-Convener, 1<sup>st</sup> AICEAS; Associate Professor, Department of International Relation and Governance Studies, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Shiv Nadar University, Greater Noida.

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**Note:** Speakers in all the thematic sessions will have 10 minutes to make their presentations, while Discussants will be allotted 10 minutes to respond. The Chair will take upto 5 minutes to make the opening and concluding remarks. The remaining time will be for Q&A.

In Special Panels, unless otherwise decided by the Chair beforehand, each speaker is requested to confine their presentations to 10-12 minutes, and keep the remaining time for Q&A.