

ICS CONFERENCES, SEMINARS, LECTURE SERIES AND ACADEMIC CONVERSATIONS



In 2022, the Institute of Chinese Studies (ICS) held the inaugural All India Conference of East Asian Studies (AICEAS). The objective of the conference is to generate interest in, and strengthen academic and scholarly study and investigations on East Asia in India, thereby consolidating area studies research.



The Institute of Chinese Studies (ICS) has been organizing the All India Conference of China Studies (AICCS) as a flagship event since 2006. Convened annually, usually in November-December, in partnership with an institution where research and teaching in China Studies. It is meant to generate interest in and strengthen research on China Studies in India.

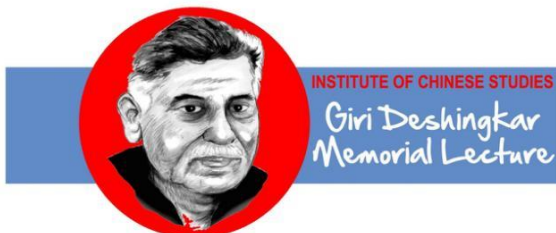


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The governance debate in China has many crucial aspects regarding the society-state-economy relationships. The CCP is simultaneously engaged in a long-term "reinventing government" project to modernize China's governance tools and institutions to accommodate a rapidly changing society with a more market-oriented economy.

ICS LECTURE SERIES



Giri Deshingkar Memorial Lectures were begun in 2001, as a tribute to the work and contribution of one of India's leading China experts, a philosopher of science and an exceptional scholar on the history of China and India.



The Gargi and VP Dutt Memorial Lecture initiated by the Institute of Chinese Studies as a tribute to the work and contribution of two eminent China experts in India — Prof. V. P. Dutt, a pioneer and stalwart of Chinese Studies in India and Gargi Dutt, who was a leading scholar of China Studies at the Centre for East Asian Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University.



Coterminous with the Institute, is the weekly Wednesday Seminar, which has been held uninterruptedly for the last four decades. The topics span an enormous range and attract students, experts, practitioners and laypersons alike. These seminars provide an opportunity for interested people to have access to informed discussions on various aspects of China and are ample evidence that the sections within India, which are interested in knowing and learning about China are expanding and growing.

ICS SPECIAL LECTURES / ACADEMIC WORKSHOPS / ZOOM WEBINARS



ICS organises Panel Discussions of East Asian scholars, involving in-house scholars and domain experts to discuss contemporary issues affecting the region. Webinars are conducted on regular basis with young scholars and students pursuing China and East Asian studies. ICS also conduct Academic Workshops at Universities and Educational Institutions where young scholars meet to learn about new IR concepts, research skills and practices and are introduced to contemporary academic discourse on East Asian Studies.

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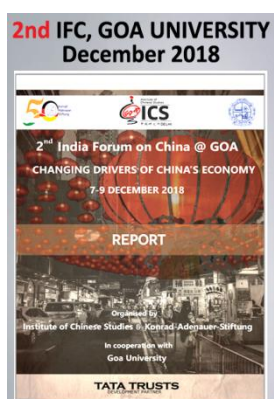


INDIA FORUM ON CHINA : AN OVERVIEW

The **India Forum on China (IFC)**, launched in 2017, is an annual flagship conference organised by the Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi, in cooperation with various Indian universities, and academic institutions. Every year eminent scholars, practitioners and policymakers from India and other countries hold in-depth deliberations on a topical theme pertaining to China in an Indian setting and keeping in mind perspectives from India. Each successive Conference, within the ambit of its theme, takes into consideration a variety of sub- themes, and seeks to develop a coherent analysis. The themes and sub-themes are analysed through a multi-directional and inter-disciplinary approach. At the culmination of each Forum, a detailed and comprehensive report is prepared, which is aimed at policymakers, media, and interested public.

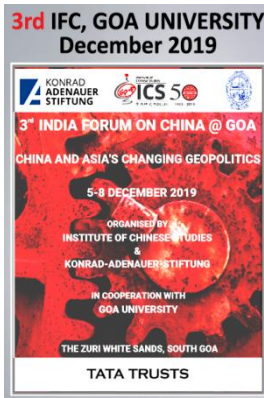


1st IFC @Goa : The Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi and the India Office of Konrad-Adenauer Stiftung organised the 1st IFC @Goa at the International Centre Goa on 15-16 December 2017, in cooperation with Goa University. The theme was **Deciphering China's Quest for Global and Regional Leadership**. Held shortly after the 19th Congress of the Communist Party of China (CPC), the deliberations and outcomes of the Congress informed the discussions at the Forum. Arguments pertaining to China's ambitious Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), its efforts to fashion new institutions like the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB), its growing soft power capabilities and technological prowess were examined in detail. Amb. Shyam Saran, former Foreign Secretary, Government of India & Member, Governing Council, Institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi delivered the Keynote Address titled 'Overview of China's Quest for Global Leadership'.



2nd IFC @Goa : Was organised by the Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi, in partnership with the India Office of Konrad-Adenauer Stiftung, and in cooperation with Goa University, from 7-9 December 2018. As 2018 marked the 40th anniversary of China's economic reforms and opening up, the theme of the conference was **Changing Drivers of China's Economy**. The Forum brought together over 40 experts who offered their insights and perspectives on several sub-themes including the ramifications of the structural rebalancing of China's economy, and its implications for India and other players. The Keynote Address at the 2nd IFC @Goa was delivered by Prof. Ashwani Saith, Professor Emeritus, International Institute of Social Studies (ISS), Erasmus University, Rotterdam titled 'Socialism, Pioneer of Capitalism -

and Global Power: The Latent Leitmotif of Chinese Development?'



3rd IFC @Goa : Was organised by the Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi and the India Office of Konrad-Adenauer Stiftung in cooperation with Goa University, from 5-8 December 2019, experts deliberated on the theme, **China and Asia's Changing Geopolitics**. Sub-themes at the Forum included Asia's geopolitical changes, evolving discourse on the Indo-Pacific, Beijing's cultural diplomacy, the US-China trade war and other such topics of contemporary relevance. Discussions also focused on China's approach while dealing with the world and the role played by Xi Jinping. Additionally, some participants also brought in the domestic dimension, particularly the role of state-owned enterprises (SOEs) in the Chinese economy. The Keynote Address at the 3rd IFC @Goa was delivered by Mr. Richard McGregor, Senior Fellow, Lowy Institute, Sydney titled 'Xi Jinping and Chinese Power'.



4th IFC @Goa : Was organised by the Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi and the India Office of Konrad-Adenauer Stiftung in cooperation with Goa University, from 3-4 December 2021. The theme of this Forum was **CPC at 100 and China's Future**. Experts deliberated upon themes ranging from 100 years of the Communist Party of China (CPC), cultural and intellectual traditions in China to China's developmental aspirations and regional ambitions, and great power competition. The Forum reflected on the history of the CPC, the Party's growth not only in membership numbers but also in its influence over a span of 100 years. The changing nature of Chinese foreign policy especially in the context of the Indo-Pacific was examined at the Forum. Prof. Rana Mitter, Professor of History and Politics of Modern

China. University of Oxford delivered the Keynote Address titled 'How New is China's New Era under Xi Jinping'.



5th IFC @Goa : Was organised by the Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi in partnership with the India Office of Konrad-Adenauer Stiftung, with Goa University, and focused on one of the most discussed and speculated-upon events of 2022 all over the world - the 20th National Congress of the Communist Party of China. With its far-reaching implications for Chinese politics, economics, society and with a concomitant impact on strategic and security aspects in the neighbourhood and beyond, the theme of this Forum naturally selected itself: **The Communist Party of China in the 'New Era'**. Organised over two days, 27-28 November 2022, the 5th IFC @Goa witnessed the participation of more than 40 experts, including scholars, practitioners and policymakers from the economic, foreign policy, security and technological domains. The Keynote Address was delivered by Prof. Santishree Dhulipudi Pandit, Vice-Chancellor, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, and the Valedictory Address titled, 'Xi Jinping's China: Denouncing the Era of "Crossing the River by Feeling the Stones"' was delivered by Prof. B.R. Deepak, Professor, Centre for Chinese & South-East Asian Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.



6th IFC @Mumbai : Was organised by the Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi in partnership with the Centre of Excellence for Himalayan Studies, Shiv Nadar Institution of Eminence, Delhi-NCR; the Centre for Advanced Policy Research and Initiatives, Navi Mumbai; the Yashwantrao Chavan Centre, Mumbai; and, C.K.T. College, Mumbai, and in cooperation with the University of Mumbai. Organised over two days, from 4-6 December 2023, at the Nehru Centre, Mumbai, the 6th IFC focused on the theme, **The BRI Transformed? China's New Global Initiatives on 'Development', 'Security', and 'Civilization'**. Over 20 eminent scholars and practitioners from India and around the world deliberated on the theme, and brought forth new perspectives and arguments pertaining to China's three global initiatives, employing a multi-directional approach. The Keynote Address titled, 'Engaging With China: Options and Strategies' was delivered by Dr. Ajit Ranade, Vice-Chancellor, Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune, and the Valedictory Address was delivered by Adm. Arun Prakash, former Chief of Naval Staff, Indian Navy.



7TH IFC CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Venue: MIT World Peace University (MIT-WPU), Pune

DAY ONE

Friday, 13 December 2024

12 Noon onwards : Arrival/Check-in and Registration

1730-1900 Hours:
INAUGURAL SESSION

CHAIR DIRECTOR, ICS



Prof. Alka Acharya is the Honorary Director of the ICS and Chairperson at the Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University. She has been teaching courses on Chinese Foreign Policy and Political Economy to the Masters and MPhil students and guiding doctoral research scholars since 1993. She is the joint editor of the book titled, *Crossing a Bridge of Dreams: 50 years of India-China* and has contributed chapters to many books and journals. She has authored a book titled, *China & India: Politics of Incremental Engagement*, published in 2008 and most recently edited a volume titled, *Boundaries and Borderlands: A Century after the 1914 Simla Convention* (Routledge, New York, 2023). She was nominated by the Indian government as a

member of the India-China Eminent Persons Group (2006-2008) and a member of the National Security Advisory Board of the Government of India for two terms (2006-2008) and (2011-2012).

OPENING REMARKS



Dr. Parimal Maya Sudhakar has completed his Post-graduation in International Politics, MPhil on the topic “China’s Nuclear Policy under Deng Xiaoping” and PhD on the topic “State and Society Relations in China in the context of Globalization” from Jawaharlal Nehru University. He has worked with NGOs and international organizations for over five years as a researcher. Earlier, he worked as a Marathi Newsreader at AIR Delhi. He is a regular columnist with Marathi newspapers and participated in Prime Time discussions on *TV9, Jai Maharashtra* and *ABP Maza*. He has been working with the MIT School of Government since 2015.

WELCOME ADDRESS

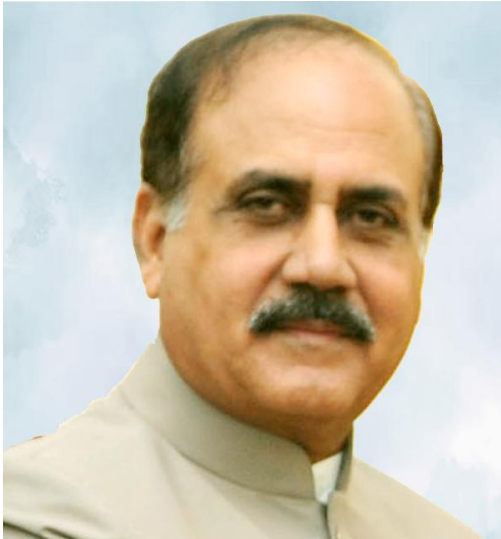


Rev. Prof. Dr. R. M. Chitnis is Vice-Chancellor, Dr. V.D. Karad MIT World Peace University, Pune, and has been associated with the noble field of education for more than three decades. He was nominated and actively worked in various academic roles and responsibilities at Savitribai Phule Pune University. He has been a pioneer of various important activities at MIT WPU like International Summer Schools, the Business Simulation Program for management students, intercollegiate festivals such as Enthusia and Sports Fiesta, and Short-term Certificate Courses like Business English. He is recognised as a PhD research guide by VU University, Amsterdam, Netherlands. He is also recognised as a PhD guide by Savitribai Phule Pune University and Symbiosis International University, Pune.

Prof. Chitnis has more than 11 National and international research publications to his credit and has authored 11 books. Prof. Chitnis is the Chairman of the NAAC Peer Team for accreditation of various Institutes and Universities. He is Academic Peer Reviewer on QS International University Rating system. He is also a member of the University Grants Commission Committee of Scheme for Trans-Disciplinary Research for Academic Institutes and Universities (STRIDE).



Keynote SPEECH



Lieutenant General Ajay Kumar Singh (Retd.) currently serves as Advisor to O.P. Jindal Global University (JGU). He has had a long and illustrious career in the Indian Army. He is a recipient of the Param Vishisht Seva Medal, Ati Vishisht Seva Medal, Sena Medal and Vishisht Seva Medal among several others, for his service. He was the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief of Southern Command. He has also commanded the 7th Light Cavalry, a T-90 Tank Brigade, an Armoured Division and the most powerful Strike 1 (Corps).



Presidential ADDRESS



Rev. Prof. Dr. Vishwanath D. Karad is an esteemed educationist with over four decades of contribution to building the value-based education system. Renowned for his visionary leadership and unwavering commitment to advancing technical education, he has dedicated his career to enhancing the quality of life for the Indian populace. He holds a Doctorate in Philosophy and Education from the International University of Washington. Dr. Karad is the founder of numerous impactful initiatives, including the World Peace Dome, Maharashtra Institute of Technology (MIT), the World Peace Center of MAEER's MIT Pune, the UNESCO Chair for Human Rights, Democracy, and Peace, MIT World Peace University, and the Shree Kshetra Alandi Parisar Vikas Samiti. He also established the Saint Shree Dnyaneshwara and Saint Shree

Tukaram Endowment Lecture Series Trust, underscoring his commitment to cultural and spiritual enrichment. Dr. Karad's extensive engagement extends to memberships in esteemed national and international organizations, reflecting his influence and dedication to education, innovation, and societal betterment.

VOTE OF THANKS



Dr. Aravind Yelery is an Honorary Fellow at the Institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi and an Associate Professor at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. Before that, he was a Senior Research Fellow (Associate Professor Grade) at Peking University, Beijing/Shenzhen. He taught and curated courses for PKU and selected universities globally and at a few Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) in India. In 2019, he won the Best Courseware Project Funds Award at Peking University. Yelery had been a visiting faculty member at the Fudan School of Management, Shanghai; National Taiwan University, Taipei; and Taiwan MOFA Fellow (2022). Before joining PKU, he was an Associate Fellow and Assistant Director at the Institute of Chinese Studies in Delhi, India. Yelery holds a PhD in Chinese Studies with a particular interest in Political Economy. He has co-edited a book titled, *Tailspin: The Politics of India-China Economic Relations* (London: Routledge, 2021) and recently authored *China Inc.: Between State Capitalism and Economic Statecraft* (New Delhi: Pentagon Press, 2021).

1900 – 2030 Hours : Welcome Dinner

DAY TWO

Saturday, 14 December 2024

SESSION - 1

0930-1100 Hours

Indigenous Innovation: From 'Chinese Essence, Western Application' to 'Chinese Essence, Chinese Application'

CHAIR



Air Marshal Bhushan Gokhale (Retd.) has flown over 3,500 hours on a variety of combat and trainer aircraft after being commissioned into the Indian Air Force in June 1968 in the fighter stream. He has seen active operations during the 1971 India-Pakistan hostilities. As Assistant Chief of Air Staff for Operations, Air Marshal Gokhale had played an important role in planning and execution of air operations, including during Operation Parakram. He was Vice Chief of the Air Staff at Air Headquarters, New Delhi. After retirement, Air Marshal Bhushan Gokhale was appointed as Consultant to the Principal Scientific Advisor to the Government of India and Consultant to the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO). He is also a member of Union Public Service Commission.

SPEAKERS



Prof. G. Venkat Raman is a Faculty at the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIM Indore. He has recently completed his Fulbright Fellowship at the Schar School of Policy and Government, George Mason University (Virginia, USA). He is also researching the current state of US-China power rivalries, primarily focusing on the technology war and climate change. Recently he has been awarded an ICSSR Fellowship to work on 'Multilateralism in the Global South' in the context of India's foreign policy strategy. Venkat is a Sinologist and a keen observer of geopolitics. He offers elective courses like Power Rivalries and Global Governance in the Twenty-first Century, Understanding the China Challenge and Political Risk Management. Venkat completed his doctoral studies at the School of Government in Peking University and is fluent in Mandarin. He has also co-authored and published case studies (on Indian businesses in China) in prestigious case centres like Ivey Publishing, ISB Hyderabad, and China Europe International Business School, Shanghai.

TOPIC : Centralised Decision-making for Tech Development: Is Innovation Possible?



Ms. Lin Chia-yi (Joyce) is a Policy Analyst at the Division of National Security Research, Institute for National Defense and Security Research, which is a Taiwanese official think tank. Her areas of expertise include industry and supply chain security, international economic and trade security, and anti-money laundering. She holds an MA in Intellectual Property and a BA in Law and Economics.

TOPIC : China's Pursuit of Technological Self-Sufficiency



Dr. Atul Kumar is a Fellow in Strategic Studies Programme at ORF. His research focuses on national security issues in Asia, China's expeditionary military capabilities, military diplomacy, and security and foreign policy. Atul is also an Associate Member at the University of Sydney's China Studies Centre. He has worked with the Government of India and the Griffith Asia Institute at Griffith University. He has lectured and mentored military officers at Indian military institutions and taught international relations at Monash University and the University of Queensland. Atul holds a PhD in China's military studies from Monash University, Melbourne, and an

MPhil and MA in international politics from Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. His work is widely published in peer-reviewed journals and newspapers.

TOPIC : Innovating Through Restraints and Sanctions: Sectoral Focus on AI in China

1100 – 1115 Hours: Tea / Coffee Break

SESSION - 2

1115-1230 Hours

Techno Nationalism - Technological Rivalries in an Era of Great Power Competition

CHAIR
DIRECTOR, ICS



Prof. Alka Acharya, Honorary Director, Institute of Chinese Studies; Chairperson and Professor, Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

SPEAKERS



Dr. Tanvi Kulkarni is a Policy Fellow at the Asia-Pacific Leadership Network for Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament and a member of the APLN Secretariat. She has formerly worked as a Consultant Coordinator for Chaophraya Track II Dialogue between India and Pakistan, and as a Project Coordinator for Indo-Pak Conflict Monitor. She has also served as a Project Officer at the Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies, New Delhi. She holds a PhD in Diplomacy and Disarmament from the Centre for International Politics, Organization and Disarmament, Jawaharlal Nehru University.

TOPIC : China's Nuclear Build-up and its Technological and Geopolitical Drivers



Mr. Manjunath Vasudev is the Founder member, Managing Director, and CFO of Semtronics Microsystems Pvt Ltd. He brings 10 years of technology industry experience to Semtronics Finance Team. Prior to Semtronics, Manjunath worked as a Senior Design Engineer at Intersil. Manjunath holds a Bachelor of Engineering in Electronics and Communication from Visvesvaraya Technological University.

TOPIC : China Semiconductor Ambition and Implications for India

1230 – 1400 Hours : Lunch

SESSION - 3
1400-1530 Hours

Technology in China's 'New Development' Concept

CHAIR



Dr. Rupakjyoti Borah is currently serving as the Associate Dean – External Relations at the School of Liberal Arts, MIT World Peace University, Pune. He received his PhD from Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India. Dr. Borah has held visiting research appointments at the University of Cambridge, United Kingdom; the Japan Institute of International Affairs (JIIA), Tokyo; and, the Australian National University, Australia. He has extensive academic, administrative and research experience both in India and abroad, and has also organised international conferences and coordinated student exchange programmes. Dr. Borah has also delivered lectures at various universities in India, Japan, South Korea and Singapore, among other countries.

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SPEAKERS



Dr. Aravind Yelery, Convenor, 7th IFC; Honorary Fellow, ICS; Associate Professor, Centre for East Asian Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

TOPIC : Green Technology Innovation under China's New Development Concept



Dr. Y. Nithyanandam, Professor and Head of the Geospatial Research Program at Takshashila Institution, is a leading academician in the field of space and spatial sciences. He is the lead author of the *Takshashila Geospatial Bulletin*, a monthly publication renowned for its research-driven insights derived from geospatial intelligence. His research interests include advanced remote sensing and geospatial policy.

TOPIC : Driving Progress: The Transformative Role of Geospatial Technology in China's Development



Mr. Divay Pranav is the Director of Strategic Partnerships and Policy at Yulu. Prior to joining Yulu, Divay also held leadership positions in various other organisations. He was the Lead of Strategy and Partnerships at the Adani Group. He also served as Senior AVP at Invest India, playing a significant role in promoting investment opportunities in India under the Make in India initiative. He has done an Executive Programme in Growth Strategies for Business Leaders from the Indian Institute of Management, Calcutta. He holds a BSc in Physics from Delhi University. He has rich experience in areas such as energy storage, clean mobility, renewable energy, circular economy, and low-carbon solutions. His skill set encompasses financial analysis, competitive intelligence, business intelligence, financial modelling, and market research.

TOPIC : Evolution of Electric Vehicle and Component Industry in China and Lessons for India

DAY THREE
Sunday, 15 December 2024

SESSION - 4
1000-1130 Hours

Military-Civil Fusion in China's Development Strategy

CHAIR



Dr. Parimal Maya Sudhakar, Associate Professor, MIT School of Government, MIT World Peace University (MIT-WPU).

SPEAKERS

PRESENTATION BY DR. SHEN MING-SHIH AND DR. LEE JYUN-YI



Dr. Shen Ming-shih is Research Fellow and Director, Division of National Security Research, and Acting Deputy CEO at the Institute for National Defense Security Research, Taiwan. He graduated from the Army Military Academy in 1985 and served in the Army Infantry Units. After his tenure as a company commander, he went to the East Asian Graduate School, National Chengchi University and obtained his Master's in 1995. He received his PhD in Political Science in 2004 from the National Defense University, Taiwan. He was the former Director of Graduate Institute of Strategic Studies, National Defense University, Taiwan. He is Adjunct Associate Professor at GISS, National Defense University; Adjunct Associate Professor at GIASS, Tamkang University; and Visiting Professor at Rashtriya Raksha University (National Security University), India. He is teaching the PLA military culture at RRU. He was a Visiting Fellow at MP-IDSA, India, in 2010. His research areas include strategic theory, PLA studies, India defense and security, civil-military relations, national security research and defense organization studies.



Dr. Lee Jyun-yi received his PhD in International Relations from the University of East Anglia, Norwich, United Kingdom. He is currently Associate Research Fellow at the Division of National Security Research, Institute for National Defense and Security Research (INDSR). Before joining the INDSR, he worked at the Science and Technology Policy Research and Information Center (STPI) under the National Applied Research Laboratories (NARLabs). He has also taught at Tamkang University and National Chung Cheng University. His research interests include identity politics, small states foreign and security policy, non-traditional security, hybrid threats and gray zone conflicts.

TOPIC : Impact of Military-Civil Fusion on China's Defense Industry Modernization



province relations in China.

Dr. Jabin T. Jacob is Associate Professor at the Department of International Relations and Governance Studies in the Shiv Nadar Institute of Eminence, and Adjunct Research Fellow at the National Maritime Foundation, New Delhi. He was formerly a Fellow and Assistant Director at the Institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi and Associate Editor of the journal, *China Report*. Dr. Jacob holds a PhD in Chinese Studies from the School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi and has spent time as a researcher in Taiwan, France and Singapore. His research interests include Chinese domestic politics, China-South Asia relations, Sino-Indian border areas, Indian and Chinese worldviews, and centre-

TOPIC : China's Military-Civil Fusion as a Development Project



Brig. Anshuman Narang (Retd.), Founder, Atma Nirbhar Soch, Noida. Brig. Anshuman Narang is an Indian Army veteran, author, and expert on PLA strategy and unmanned systems. He holds the Adani Defence Chair of Excellence at CENJOWS, New Delhi, and is the founder of think tank, Atma Nirbhar Soch. He has authored books titled, *PLA's Tactical Transformation with Chinese Characteristics*, *China's Strategic Deterrence*, *Trajectory of Red Army's Unmanned Warfare*.

TOPIC : China's Military-Civil Fusion: A Case Study of the Commercialization of Space

1130 – 1145 Hours: Tea / Coffee Break

CONCLUDING SESSION

1145-1300 Hours

CHAIR



Dr. Rahul Vishwanath Karad is an enterprising educationist at the forefront of the 72-institute, 55,000-student-strong MAEER'S MIT Group of Institutions, Pune, and the Executive President of MIT World Peace University (MIT-WPU). A graduate in engineering, a postgraduate in management from Cardiff, UK, and an alumnus of Harvard Business School, USA, Dr. Rahul Karad has received a doctoral degree from Amsterdam University, The Netherlands. His life's work has been dedicated to channelizing the power of India's youth by unlocking their potential through holistic and value-based education. This unwavering commitment to nation-building is reflected in his creation of groundbreaking initiatives like the MIT School of Government, Asia's first institution dedicated to

nurturing democratic leadership in India. His belief in democracy and youth empowerment also led to the establishment of the Indian Student Parliament (Bharatiya Chhatra Sansad), a transformative platform that attracts 10,000–12,000 politically and socially active students from over 450 universities across 29 states annually. Dr. Rahul's dedication to nation-building extends to teachers and rural development. He is the visionary behind the National Teachers' Congress (NTC), which serves as a platform for educators from higher education institutions across India. Recognizing the need for a unified platform for legislators across Bharat, Dr. Rahul conceptualized NLC Bharat, an initiative that fosters dialogue, collaboration, and innovation among lawmakers from diverse backgrounds. This unique forum aims to address contemporary legislative challenges and strengthen the democratic fabric of India by enabling legislators to share insights and best practices. Through his tireless efforts and visionary leadership, Dr. Rahul Vishwanath Karad continues to inspire countless individuals, fostering a brighter, more inclusive, and empowered future for India.

CONFERENCE REPORT



Dr. Aravind Yelery, Convenor, 7th IFC; Honorary Fellow, ICS; Associate Professor, Centre for East Asian Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

CLOSING REMARKS AND VOTE OF THANKS



Dr. Parimal Maya Sudhakar, Associate Professor, MIT School of Government, MIT World Peace University (MIT-WPU).

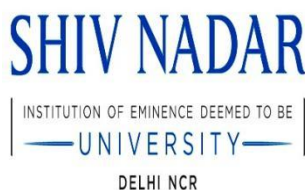
1300 –1430 Hours: Farewell Lunch

INSTITUTE OF CHINESE STUDIES (ICS)



The Institute of Chinese Studies (ICS), New Delhi is engaged in and committed to interdisciplinary research on China. Apart from the annual All India Conference of China Studies (AICCS), the Institute undertakes various collaborative research programs and multilateral initiatives with prominent institutions in India and abroad, and brings together leading and upcoming scholars through multiple fora. Among its many legacies, it has been conducting the iconic Wednesday Seminar for over 50 years and publishes the *China Report*, a peer-reviewed quarterly journal on China and East Asia, currently in its 59th year of publication.

CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR HIMALAYAN STUDIES, SHIV NADAR INSTITUTION OF EMINENCE, DELHI-NCR



The Centre of Excellence for Himalayan Studies under the School of Humanities and Social Sciences at Shiv Nadar Institution of Eminence (SNIOE) is a research centre focussed on the economy, borders and identities, the environment and regional geopolitics of the wider Himalayan region, including the Hindu Kush and the Karakoram. While there are scholars of the Himalayas and small centres and research groups focused on the region, there is a need for institutionalised efforts at the national level that brings together a wide variety of disciplinary and sectoral approaches to the study of what is one of the world's most environmentally sensitive and politically fraught regions and one that simultaneously has a significant influence on the economic livelihoods of hundreds of millions of people. At the same time, it is difficult to ignore the role of geopolitics in this region. Therefore, even as the Centre pushes for an approach to studying the Himalayas that crosses both national and disciplinary boundaries as well as engenders a three-way conversation between central and local governments, academia and the people who live in the region, it also remains sharply aware of and is attuned to geopolitics and the policy imperatives that surround it. The Centre reflects SNIOE's global outlook and ambitions, focusing on engaging researchers with niche or specialised interest in the wider Himalayas, and identifying and creating a network of scholars in the field, both in India and externally, to support its work. This critical mass of scholars of and from the region will redress the longstanding neglect or asymmetrical representation of the Himalayas and beyond, in knowledge, discourse and policy interventions. It also aims to develop and utilise strong links with the policy community and government agencies in a mutually supportive exercise. The Centre also signifies a leadership role for the SNIOE, as it attempts to fill gaps in both academic and policy spaces. This leadership role is in keeping with the

University's identity and goals of promoting innovation, creativity and interdisciplinary engagement in the field of Indian education. The Centre also offers the SNIoE's own faculty and students opportunities to collaborate with counterparts from across the wider Himalayan region as well as those working on the region from elsewhere in the world.

MIT SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT (MIT-SOG)



**MIT School of
Government**

The MIT School of Government (MIT-SOG), Pune, established in 2005, is Asia's first institute offering a full-time 2-years Master's in Political Leadership and Government (MPG). Founded by Shri Rahul V. Karad, it prepares students for careers in politics by fostering expertise in governance, politics and leadership. Inaugurated by Late Shri Bhairon Singh Shekhawat, the then Vice-President of India and mentored by Shri T. N. Seshan, former Chief Election Commissioner of India, the institute emphasizes integrity, professionalism and accountability in leadership. MIT-SOG has shaped India's political landscape, with graduates contributing to democracy and development. MIT-SOG hosts social initiatives such as National Legislators' Conference, Bharatiya Chhatra Sansad, National Women's Parliament and Rashtriya Sarpanch Sansad to sensitize the society on issues of politics and governance. These social initiatives have established bonds amongst civil society, government and budding political leaders.



ICS ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

WEDNESDAY SEMINAR Started in 1969, this is a highly dynamic discussion forum which laid the foundation of ICS.

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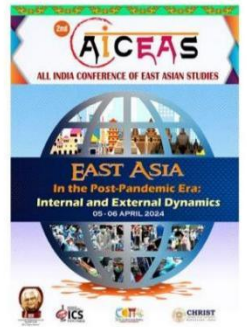
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