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Happymon Jacob is Associate Professor of Diplomacy and Disarmament Studies at the School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University. At JNU, Jacob teaches courses on 'Disarmament and Arms Control Diplomacy', 'India's Foreign Policy', 'India and Disarmament', and 'National Security & International Relations'.

Concurrent engagements

- Columnist with *The Hindu*, India's leading English language daily - <http://www.thehindu.com/profile/contributor/Happymon-Jacob-432/>
- Host of weekly video show on national security on The Wire.in- Playlist: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLzia1qLN9v2DpGQ6plr6tj0x42jpo2Kt>
- Founder, [Council for Strategic and Defense Research](#) (Recently established research think tank in New Delhi)
- Honorary Director (India Chapter), [The Chao Track](#). The Chao Track is the longest running India-Pakistan Track-Two Dialogue having organized 28 dialogues between India and Pakistan since 2009.
- Elected Member, [Pugwash Council](#), Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs, since 2013.

Academic Career:

August 2015-present **Associate Professor** of Diplomacy and Disarmament Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University

November 2020 – present Founder and Honorary Director, [Council for Strategic and Defence Research](#), New Delhi

April-May 2017 **Senior Global Challenges Fellow** at the Global Public Policy Institute (GPPi), Berlin, Germany

October 2016-March 2017 [Senior Global Challenges Fellow](#) at the Institute for Advanced Study and School of Public Policy, Central European University, Budapest

2008 – 2014 **Assistant Professor** of Diplomacy and Disarmament Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University

2004-2008 **Assistant Professor**, Department of Strategic and Regional Studies, University of Jammu, J&K, India

1-31 July, 2015 **Visiting Professor**, at the *Fondation Maison des Sciences de l'Homme*, Paris

May-July, 2014 **Visiting Scholar**, Sandia National Laboratories, Albuquerque, NM, USA

June-July, 2013 **Emerging Leader Fellow**, Australia India Institute, University of Melbourne, Australia

Dec-09 to January-10 **Visiting Research Fellow**, Slavic Research Centre, Hokkaido University, Japan

June-July, 2008 **Visiting Research Fellow**, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Ottawa, Canada

2006-2008 **Visiting Fellow**, Nelson Mandela Centre for Peace and Conflict Resolution, Jamia Millia Islamia University, New Delhi

January-May, 2008 **Guest Faculty** at the Centre for International Politics, Organisation and Disarmament (CIPOD), School of International Studies, JNU

January-August, 2007 **Senior Research Associate**, Delhi Policy Group, New Delhi

2006-2007 **Associate Fellow**, Centre for Air Power Studies, New Delhi

2003-2004 **Research Associate**, Observer Research Foundation (ORF), New Delhi

2002-2003 **Research Assistant**, Project on *Human Security in India*, School of International Studies, JNU

Research Specializations:

- Security Studies
- India-Pakistan Relations
- India's Foreign and Security Policy
- Arms control and disarmament
- Peace and Conflict Resolution

Books/Monographs

1. *Line on Fire: Ceasefire Violations and India-Pakistan Escalation Dynamics* (Oxford University Press, New Delhi) January 2019.
2. *Line of Control: Traveling with the Indian and Pakistani Armies* (Penguin Random House India, New Delhi) November 2018.
3. *The Kashmir Backchannel: How India and Pakistan Secretly Negotiated a Deal on Kashmir* (Under contract with Oxford University Press, New Delhi)
4. *Back from the Brink: Reimagining National Security* (Under contract with Routledge, New Delhi)
5. *How India negotiates with Pakistan: Institutions, domestic politics and leadership styles* (Under contract with Cambridge University Press, New Delhi)
6. *Rise, Fall and the Resurgence of the Taliban* (New Delhi: Observer Research Foundation in association with Samskriti Publishers, 2005).

Edited books

1. *Does India Think Strategically? Institutions, Strategic Culture and Security Policies (Editor and Contributor)*, Australia-India Institute Series in Foreign Policy and International Relations, Manohar Publications, 2014.
2. *India and the International System (Co-Editor and Contributor)*, Australia-India Institute Series in Foreign Policy and International Relations, Manohar Publications, 2014.
3. *Kashmir and Indo-Pak Relations: Politics of Reconciliation* (New Delhi: Samskriti Publishers, 2013).
4. *Domestic Politics and Indian Foreign Policy (Co-Editor and Contributor)*, (Har Anand Publications, New Delhi: 2010).

5. *India-Pakistan Relations: Pathways Ahead* (Co-editor & Contributor), (New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers, 2007). Co-edited with Amitabh Mattoo and Kapil Kak.

Articles in Referred Journals

1. [The Secessionist Movement in Jammu and Kashmir and India-Pakistan Relations](#), *International Studies* (Sage), 51(1) 1-21 (2017)
2. (Co-authored with Anamika Asthana), [Role of States in India's Foreign Policy](#), *International Negotiation* (Brill), 22 (2017) 1-27
3. Vipin Narang, Happymon Jacob & Kathleen M. Vogel (2015) [Correspondence](#), *The Nonproliferation Review* (Taylor and Francis), 22:2, 113-122
4. "India's HIV/AIDS Crisis: Securitising Disease", *South Asian Survey*, Vol-12, No.1 (January/June, 2005) Sage Publications, New Delhi.
5. Review Article, "Home and Displacement: Refugees, Diaspora and India", *South Asian Survey*, (11:1, 2004), Sage Publications, New Delhi.

Articles on Non-refereed journals

1. "Southern Asia, India, and the Gulf Region: Understanding the New Geopolitical Interface", (Co-authored with T. V. Paul), *Indian Foreign Affairs Journal*, Vol 8, No. 1, January - March 2013
2. "Geo-strategy, Religious Extremism, and the Afghan Conundrum", *Security and Society*, Volume 1, Issue 3, 2006.
3. "Public Diplomacy and Economic Interests: A Case Study of India", *MONDES: Les cahiers du Quai d'Orsay*, n° 11, 2013, 101-110
http://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/fr/IMG/pdf/MONDES_11_FR-EN_cle0b857d.pdf
4. "Contours of the Contemporary Kashmir Conflict: Geopolitics, Soft Borders and India-Pakistan Relations", *Eurasia Border Review*, Vol-2, No-1, Summer 2011 (Published by Slavic Research Center, Hokkaido University, Japan).
5. "UPA's Foreign Policy: A Critique", (co-authored), *Economic & Political Weekly*, June 20, 2009 vol. xlv no 2

Peer-reviewed Research Publications

1. [Ceasefire Violations in Jammu and Kashmir: A Line on Fire](#), Peaceworks, September 15, 2017, United States Institute of Peace, Washington DC
2. “Time to Consider a Trilateral Asian ABM Treaty”, Off Ramps Initiative, Stimson Center, Washington DC, September 5, 2017. Available at <https://www.stimson.org/sites/default/files/file-attachments/Happymon%20Jacob%20Off%20Ramps%20Essay-FINAL.pdf>
3. “The Kashmir Uprising and India-Pakistan Relations: A need for conflict resolution, not management”, Asie.Visions, No. 90, Asie.Visions, No. 90, December 2016, Paris, December 2016. Available at [https://www.ifri.org/sites/default/files/atoms/files/kashmir uprising india-pakistan relations jacob 2016.pdf](https://www.ifri.org/sites/default/files/atoms/files/kashmir%20uprising%20india%20pakistan%20relations%20jacob%202016.pdf)
4. “Putting the Periphery at the Center: Indian States’ Role in Foreign Policy”, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, October 10, 2016. Available at http://carnegieendowment.org/files/CP_282_Jacob_States_Roles_Final.pdf
5. (Co-authored) “Nuclear Security Governance in India: Institutions, Instruments, and Culture”, Cooperative Monitoring Center, Sandia National Laboratories, Albuquerque, New Mexico, January 2015. Available at <http://www.sandia.gov/cooperative-monitoring-center/assets/documents/sand2015-0233.pdf>
6. “Conceptualizing Nuclear Learning: A Study of the Indian Experience”, paper presented at “The Next Decade of Nuclear Learning in South Asia”, Naval Postgraduate School, 22 – 23 May 2012, Bangkok. Conference publication: Feroz Hassan Khan, Ryan Jacobs and Emily Burke (Eds.), *Nuclear Learning in South Asia: The Next Decade*, Naval Postgraduate School, 2014. Available at http://www.nps.edu/Academics/Centers/CCC/Research/NuclearLearning/Nuclear%20Learning%20in%20South%20Asia_June2014.pdf
7. “From pariah to partner: India and the international nuclear order”. Published by the Australia India Institute, Melbourne University, Australia, 2015. Available at <http://www.aii.unimelb.edu.au/publications/emerging-leaders-report-volume-four>
8. “Impact of HIV/AIDS on Governance in Manipur and Nagaland”, study commissioned and published by the AIDS, Security and Conflict Initiative (ASCI – www.asci.ssrc.org), a joint programme of Social Science Research Council (SSRC), New York and the Netherlands Institute of International Relations. The report is available on the web and can be accessed at: <http://asci.researchhub.ssrc.org/impact-of-hiv-aids-on-governance-in-manipur-and-nagaland/attachment>
9. “Contemporary India-Pakistan Relations: a View From New Delhi”, AIIA Policy Commentary, Published by the Australian Institute of International Affairs,

Chapters in edited books

1. (With Anamika Asthana) "Federalism and Foreign Affairs in India" in *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Foreign Relations Law*, Curtis A. Bradley (Ed.), Oxford University Press, New York, 2019
2. "The NDA-II Government's Foreign and Security Policy: A Critical Assessment", in *A Quantum Leap in the Wrong Direction?*, Rohit Azad, Shouvik Chakraborty, Srinivasan Ramani, Dipa Sinha (Eds), Orient BlackSwan, 2019
3. "Strategic Stability, Cross-Domain Deterrence and the India-Pakistan Nuclear Dyad", in Lawrence Rubin and Adam Stulberg (eds.), *Regional Perspectives on Strategic Stability in the Second Nuclear Age* (Georgetown University Press, Washington DC, 2018).
4. (With Tanvi Kulkarni) "India's Nuclear Regulatory Regime", in Nameen Salik (ed.) *India's Habituation with the Bomb*, Oxford University Press, Karachi
5. "China, India, Pakistan and a Stable Regional Order" in François Godement (Ed.) *What Does India Think?* European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR), London, 2015
6. "The Evolution and Practices of Indian Notions of Sovereignty", in Jamie Gaskarth, *China, India and the Future of the International Society* (Rowman and Littlefield International Limited, London, 2015).
7. "Conflict in Kashmir: An insurgency with Long Roots" in Moeed Yusuf (Ed.), *Insurgency and Counterinsurgency in South Asia: Through a Peacebuilding Lens* (United States Institute of Peace, Washington, D.C.: 2014)
8. "The India-Pakistan Peace Process", in *Pakistan's Stability Paradox*, Ashutosh Misra and Michael Clarke (Eds.), (Routledge Contemporary South Asia Series, London, 2011)
9. "The Role of Nuclear Weapons in the Indian Strategic Thinking", in Happymon Jacob (Ed.) *Does India Think Strategically? Institutions, Strategic Culture and Security Policies*, (Manohar Publications, 2014)
10. "Revisionism, Ambivalence, and Status Quosim: India and the International System" (Co-authored) in Amitabh Mattoo and Happymon Jacob (Eds.) *India and the International System*, (Manohar Publications, 2014)

11. "Foreign Relations of India: The federal Challenge", *Domestic Politics and Indian Foreign Policy*, edited by Amitabh Mattoo and Happymon Jacob (Har Anand Publications, New Delhi: 2010) – co-authored.
12. "Neoclassical Realism and Indian Foreign Policy" in *Domestic Politics and Indian Foreign Policy*, edited by Amitabh Mattoo and Happymon Jacob (Har Anand Publications, New Delhi: 2010).
13. "Geopolitical Transformation in Southern Asia and its Impact on Indo-Pak Relations" in Amitabh Mattoo, Kapil Kak and Happymon Jacob (Eds.), *India-Pakistan Relations: Pathways Ahead* (Knowledge World, 2007).
14. "Foreign Relations in India: A Growing State Role", in Raoul Blindenbacher and Chandra Pasma (eds.), *Dialogues on Foreign Relations in Federal Countries*, Booklet Series, Volume 5, Published by Forum of Federations, Canada (co-written with Amitabh Mattoo).
15. "Foreign Relations in Federal Countries: Case Study of India", in Hans J. Michelmann, ed. *Foreign Relations in Federal Countries*, Montreal and Kingston: McGill-Queen's University Press, 2009 (co-written with Amitabh Mattoo).
16. "AIDS and India's National Security", in Stanley Wolpert and Raju G C Thomas (eds.) *Encyclopedia of India*, (Macmillan-Scribners-Gale, 2005).
17. "India's Energy Security: The Central Asian Factor" in Nagendra Rao and Md. Monir Alam (eds.) *Central Asia: Present Challenges and Future Prospects* (New Delhi: Knowledge World, 2005).
18. "Track-II Diplomacy in Indo-Pak Relations: Problems and Prospects", in Kulwant Kaur and Baljit Mann (eds.) *Conflict and Cooperation in South Asia* (New Delhi: Knowledge World, 2006)

Awards/Grants/Fellowships

- Visiting Professorship at the *Fondation Maison des Sciences de l'Homme* (<http://www.fmsh.fr/en>), Paris from July 1 to July 31, 2015.
- [The Takshashila Bangalore Fellow](#), at the Takshashila Institution, Bangalore. 18019 August, 2016
- Invited to be in residence at the Rashtrapati Bhavan (the official residence of the President of India) by the President as an "Inspired Teacher" from 6th June to 12th June, 2015. The in-residence programme for inspired teachers, announced by the President at the annual conference of vice-chancellors of central universities on February 5, 2015, defines an Inspired Teacher as "a value-oriented, mission-driven, self-motivated and result-oriented individual who works towards impacting the environment in a positive manner through

his own actions as well as by imparting knowledge amongst students to help them achieve their potential”.

- Co-Directed project on “Nuclearisation of South Asia: Implications for India's National Security”, funded by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR). The project, based at the School of International Studies, JNU, is an attempt at comprehensively understanding the impact of nuclear weapons on India's security environment (2013-2015)
- **Emerging Leader Fellowship-2013**, instituted by the Australia India Institute, Melbourne University, Australia. I was in residence at the Melbourne University from June 1 to July 31, 2013. <http://www.aii.unimelb.edu.au/about-us/emerging-leader-fellows>
- **“Personnalité d'Avenir” at the French Foreign Ministry (2011)** as part of the **Programme d'invitation des personnalités d'avenir**. “The Program selects young prominent personalities ranging from 25 to 40 years of age from all over the world who are just starting their career. The Program focuses on elected officials or politicians, top officials, academics or representatives from civil society who have spent little or no time in France, and who have a growing influence on their country's affairs and at times, on their country's relations with France.” See http://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/fr/IMG/pdf/2008-Programme_personnalites.pdf. I participated in the programme during 5-12 June, 2011.
- **Visiting Research Fellowship** (December 2009 to February 2010) at the Slavic Research Centre, Hokkaido University, Japan. Fellowship awarded for research on “conduct research on: "India's Search for Great Power Status: Structural Incentives and Domestic Constraints"”.
- **Research fellowship by the AIDS, Security and Conflict Initiative (ASCI)**, an initiative by the Clingendael Institute and the Social Science Research Council (SSRC) (July 2007-December 2007) to write a paper on the “Impact of HIV/AIDS on Governance in Manipur and Nagaland”. The report has been published. The report is available on the web and can be accessed at: <http://asci.researchhub.ssrc.org/impact-of-hiv-aids-on-governance-in-manipur-and-nagaland/attachment>
- **Canadian Studies Faculty Research Fellowship - 2008-9**, awarded by the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, government of Canada and administered by the Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute, New Delhi. Research award undertaken from June 5, 2008 to July 10, 2008 at the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Ottawa, Canada.
- **2004: Kodikara Award** for young South Asian scholars to research on South Asian strategic and international issues with a problem solving approach.

Instituted by the Regional Centre for Strategic Studies (RCSS, Colombo: www.rcss.org).

Participation in Major Conferences, Workshops and Track-two initiatives

1. Track Two conferences organised by The International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS)

- IISS-NESA (Near East & South Asia Centre for Strategic Studies, U.S. National Defence University) South Asia Security Workshop in Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain, 5-6 May 2018
- IISS-NESA Southern Asia Security Conference, Muscat, Oman, 12-14 October 2018
- 5th annual high-level IISS-NESA (Near East & South Asia Centre for Strategic Studies, U.S. National Defence University) South Asia Security Conference in Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain, on April 27-28 2019. The theme of the workshop was 'Building Regional Security & Countering Extremism & Terrorism'.
- 13th annual high-level IISS Southern Asia Security Conference, in partnership with the U.S. Near East & South Asia Centre (NESA), in Muscat, Oman, October 11-13, 2019.
- 6th annual high-level IISS-NESA (Near East & South Asia Centre for Strategic Studies, U.S. National Defence University) South Asia Security Conference in Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain on April 18-19 April 2020. The theme of the workshop was 'Building Regional Security & Countering Extremism & Terrorism'.

1. Pugwash India-Pakistan Independent Commission

Coordinated the following meetings of the initiative by the by Nobel Peace Prize-winning Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs (www.pugwash.org).

- First Meeting of the Commission: 3-4 June 2010, Islamabad.
- Second meeting: Dubai, 26-27, February, 2011.
- Third Meeting: 26-26 May, 2011, Islamabad.

2. Pugwash Track-two Initiative on Kashmir

Coordinator and Participant, Track-two Initiative on Kashmir

- Kathmandu, Nepal, from 11 to 14 December 2004
- Islamabad from 10 to 12 March 2006
- Srinagar in April 2005

- Colombo, from 22 to 24 July, 2007
- Colombo on 15-16 March 2008
- Islamabad, 15-17 September, 2013

3. Pugwash Annual Conferences

- 56th Pugwash Annual Conference on Science and World Affairs: *A Region in Transition: Peace and Reform in the Middle East*, held in Cairo, Egypt, 11-15 November 2006.
- 57th Pugwash Conference on Science and World Affairs 21-26 October 2007, Bari, Italy on Prospects for Disarmament Dialogue and Cooperation in the Mediterranean Region.
- 58th Pugwash Conference “Justice, Peace and Nuclear Disarmament” The Hague, The Netherlands, 17-20 April 2009
- 59th Pugwash Annual Conference in Berlin 1-4 July, 2011. I was a co-chair of the Working Group on Regional Stability in South Asia, Situation in Afghanistan and Indo-Pak Relations (Co-chair, Working Group on India-Pakistan and Afghanistan).
- 60th Pugwash Conference on Science and World Affairs, “Dialogue, Disarmament, and Regional and Global Security” will take place in Istanbul, Turkey, 1-5 November 2013 (Co-chair, Working Group on India-Pakistan and Afghanistan).
- 60st Pugwash Conference on Science and World Affairs, Nagasaki’s Voice: Remember Your Humanity, Nagasaki, Japan, 1-5 November 2015 (Co-Chair of the South Asia Working Group).

4. Chaophraya Track-two Dialogue

Coordinator and Participant (till 2010) and currently Consultant and Participant of the Chaophraya Dialogue India-Pakistan Track-two Initiative. The Chaophraya Dialogue is a joint India-Pakistan Track II initiative undertaken by the Melbourne- based Australia India Institute (AII) and Islamabad-based Jinnah Institute (JI), to encourage informed dialogue on Indo-Pak relations. The process has so far led to eleven rounds of dialogue and is now entering its fifth year. (<http://chaophrayadialogue.net/>)

- Conference 1: ‘Confidence Building Measures between India and Pakistan’, in Bangkok on 30-31 March, 2009
- Conference 2: India-Pakistan Composite Dialogue, in Bangkok, Thailand, on 2-3 October 2009

- Conference 3: Building Stability in South Asia, in Bangkok, Thailand, on 8-9 February, 2010.
- Conference 4: 28-30 August 2010, Bangkok
- Conference 5: 27-28 January 2011, Bangkok
- Conference 6: 16-17 October, 2011, Bangkok (Strategic Dialogue)
- Conference 7: 18-19 October, 2011, Bangkok (Media Dialogue)
- Conference 8: Colombo, 28-29, February, 2012, (India-Pakistan Military-to-Military Dialogue)
- Conference 9: Colombo, 2-3 March, 2012, India-Pakistan Strategic Dialogue
- Conference 10: Bangkok, December 18-20, 2012.
- Conference 11: Bangkok, 17 – 18 July 2013
- Conference 12: Bangkok, 23 – 24 January 2014
- Conference 13: Chiang Mai, Thailand, 21-22 June, 2014
- Conference 14: Krabi, Thailand, 8-9 December, 2014
- Conference 15: Bangkok, Thailand, 6-7 August, 2015
- Conference 16: Bangkok, Thailand, December 2-3, 2015
- Conference 17: Bangkok, Thailand, 18-20 March, 2016
- Conference 18: Bangkok, Thailand, 9-10 December, 2017
- Conference 19: Bangkok, Thailand, 2-3 March, 2017
- Conference 20: Bangkok, Thailand, 8-9 December, 2017
- Conference 21: 22-23 March, Bangkok, Thailand
- Conference 22: 27-28 September, 2018, Bangkok, Thailand
- Conference 23: 29-30 September, 2018, Bangkok, Thailand
- Conference 24: July, 2019, Bangkok, Thailand
- Conference 25: January 19-19, 2020, Bangkok, Thailand
- Conference 26: January 21-22, 2020, Bangkok, Thailand
- Conference 27: October 3, 2020, Claridges Hotel New Delhi

5. Ottawa Indo-Pak Nuclear Dialogue

Participant, Ottawa Dialogue on India-Pakistan Relations. The Ottawa Dialogue is a suite of projects focused on helping to create the conditions leading to improved stability and communication between India and

Pakistan. It seeks to do so by facilitating the development of networks of knowledgeable and influential individuals with the potential to build, over time, mutual understanding and confidence, to generate and advocate new ideas, and ultimately to affect policy-making by their respective governments as well as public discourse. (<http://socialsciences.uottawa.ca/dialogue/eng/index.asp>)

- Plenary Meeting I: 18-19 June, 2010, Copenhagen
- Plenary Meeting II: 12-13 December, 2010, Bangkok
- Inter-sessional Meeting: 26-27 March, 2011, Istanbul, Turkey
- Plenary Meeting III: 6 to 8 July 2011 at Stanford University, Palo Alto, USA
- Plenary Meeting IV: 12-13 December 2011, Copenhagen Strand Hotel, Copenhagen, Denmark
- Plenary Meeting V: India-Pakistan Nuclear Dialogue, Copenhagen Plenary, Copenhagen, Denmark, December 12-13, 2011.
- Plenary Meeting VI: 18-19 June, 2012, Copenhagen Strand Hotel, Copenhagen, Denmark Ottawa
- Plenary Meeting VII: December 10-11 2012, Shangri-La Hotel, Bangkok
- Plenary Meeting VIII: June 16-17, 2013, Admiral Hotel, Copenhagen
- Plenary Meeting IX: 17-18 February 2014, Shangri-La Hotel, Bangkok
- Plenary Meeting X: 17-19, February, 2014, Taj Samudra, Colombo
- Plenary Meeting XI: 3-4 November, 2014, Shangri-La Hotel, Bangkok
- Nuclear Dialogue, 13-14 April, 2015, Anantara Bangkok Riverside Resort & Spa
- Nuclear Dialogue, 13-14 April, 2016, Hotel Lebua, Bangkok
- Nuclear Dialogue, 3-4 November, 2016, Shangri-La Hotel, Bangkok
- Nuclear Dialogue, 25-26 May, 2017, Shangri-La Hotel, Bangkok
- Nuclear Dialogue, 22-23 October, 2017, The Marriott Marquis Queen's Park Hotel, Bangkok
- Nuclear Dialogue, 5-6 March, 2018, The Marriott Marquis Queen's Park Hotel, Bangkok
- Nuclear Dialogue, 6-7 August, 2018, The Marriott Marquis Queen's Park Hotel, Bangkok
- December 8-9, 2018, Marriott Marquis Queen's Park Bangkok
- Nuclear Dialogue: 15-16 April 2019, Marriott Marquis Queen's Park Bangkok

- Nuclear Dialogue: 26-27 July 2019, Marriott Marquis Queen's Park Bangkok
- Nuclear Dialogue, 14-15 December, 2019, Crowne Plaza Muscat, Oman

6. Ottawa Dialogue on Indo-Pak Military-to-Military CBMs

- Meeting I: 16-17, October, 2013, Shangri-La Hotel, Bangkok
- Meeting II: 19-20 February, 2014, Taj Samudra, Colombo
- Meeting III: 5-6 November, 2014, Shangri-La Hotel, Bangkok
- Meeting IV: 15-16 April, 2015, Anantara Bangkok Riverside Resort & Spa
- Meeting V: 15-16 April, 2016, Lebua Hotel, Bangkok
- Meeting VI: 5-6 November, 2016, Shangri-La Hotel, Bangkok
- Meeting VII: 27-28 May, 2017, Shangri-La Hotel, Bangkok
- Meeting VIII: 25-26 October, 2017, The Marriott Marquis Queen's Park Hotel, Bangkok
- Meeting IX: 7-8 March, 2018, The Marriott Marquis Queen's Park Hotel, Bangkok
- Meeting X: 8-9 August 2018, The Marriott Marquis Queen's Park Hotel, Bangkok
- December 6-7, 2018, Marriott Marquis Queen's Park Bangkok
- April 17-18 2019, Marriott Marquis Queen's Park Bangkok
- Meeting XI: 24-25 July 2019, Marriott Marquis Queen's Park Bangkok
- 16-17 December, 2019, Crowne Plaza Muscat, Oman

Ottawa Dialogue on Jammu and Kashmir

- 26-27 June, 2019, Marriott Marquis Queen's Park, Bangkok

7. POSSE Meetings

Project on Strategic Stability Evaluation (POSSE), hosted by The Sam Nunn School of International Affairs, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, USA.

1. POSSE Workshop, April 1-4, 2012, UCSD conference center, The Village at Torrey Pines, San Diego, USA.
2. POSSE Workshop, at the Vienna Center for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation (VCDNP), Austria. Paper presented "Revisiting Indo-Pak

Strategic Stability: Contours of South Asian Nuclear Order”
(<http://www.posse.gatech.edu/sites/posse.gatech.edu/files/Happymon%20Jacob%20POSSE%20VI%20Final%20Paper.pdf>)

3. POSSE-CNS Workshop (Monterey), April 1 – April 5, 2013
4. POSSE Workshop, 27-29 October 2014, CNS Washington DC office, USA. Paper presented on “Evolution of the Indian Nuclear Strategy”.

8. Doha Dialogue on Peace and Security in Afghanistan’

1. “Peace and Security in Afghanistan”, Doha on 23-24 January 2016. Track-II engagement with the Taliban organized by the Pugwash Conference of Science and World Affairs.

9. Participation in International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Conferences

1. New Orleans, USA, 17-20 February 2010 – paper presented ‘Neoclassical Realism and Indian Foreign Policy’
2. San Diego, USA, 1-4, April, 2012.
3. San Francisco, CA, USA – 3-6, April, 2013. Paper presented ‘Role of Nuclear Weapons in Indian strategic thinking’.
4. Toronto, Canada, March 26th - 29th, 2014. Papers to be presented “Regional Asymmetries, Strategic Stability, and India's BMD Program” and “Lessons From the South Asian Track-Twos: A Case Study of the Kashmir Conflict”.
5. New Orleans, USA, 17-21 February 2015 – paper presented “Indian notions of Strategic Stability”. Discussant on the panel on “Open Skies: Confidence-building, Transparency and the End of the Cold War.”

9. Other Conferences

1. “India’s geopolitical environment and implications for the Middle East”, Organized by Control Risks, Dubai, 26-28 September, 2019
2. Workshop on “Emerging Technology, Shifting Power Balances, and Nuclear Stability”, organized by Atlantic Council, Washington DC, November 19, 2018 at National University of Singapore, Singapore
3. A World with Low Nuclear Numbers, ILR Conference Center, 229 King-Shaw Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, November 11-12, 2016. Panelist in session on “Regional Complications: Asia”.
4. “Conflict Management and War Termination in South Asia: A Tabletop Exercise”, organized by the Center on Contemporary Conflict at the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School (NPS) and the Center for Global Security Research

- (CGSR) at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, 2-5 May 2016, JW Marriott Hotel, Bangkok.
5. International conference at the Information Technology University of the Punjab (Lahore, Pakistan) entitled "Afkar-e-Taza: Rescuing the Past, Shaping the Future," from April 1-3, 2016.
 6. Participant and Panelist at the "US-India Strategic dialogue", Organized by Naval Postgraduate School and Observer Research Foundation, The Oberoi Hotel, New Delhi, March 4-5, 2016. Panelist for session "Nuclear Security"
 7. Participant and Panelist at the CTBTO Symposium on "Science and Diplomacy for Peace and Security", Vienna, 25-28 January, 2016.
 8. "What does India Think?" Series of Policy Advocacy talks in Berlin and Paris, November 17-20, 2015. Organised by the European Council on Foreign Relations, Paris.
 9. Authors' workshop on Regional Stability, Centre for Nonproliferation Studies, October 12-14, 2015, Washington, DC
 10. Escalation Management and Crisis De-escalation in South Asia, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) and the Center on Contemporary Conflict (CCC) at the Naval Postgraduate School (NPS), September 15-17, 2015, Dubai
 11. International Conference on "Energy Security Challenges: Non Traditional Security planning in India" organized by Centre for Public Policy Research in Kochi, Kerala, India on 12 -13 December, 2014. Presented a paper entitled "Strategic and Security Challenges of Nuclear Power in India".
 12. Attended the workshop on "Force Modernization and Strategic Crises in South Asia" organized by the Center for Global Security Research (CGSR), Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, USA, in Dubai on 25-26 September 2014
 13. Presentation on "Nuclear Security Governance in India: Culture, Institutions, And Instruments" at the US Department of State, Washington DC. July 15, 2014.
 14. Presentation on "Nuclear Security Governance in India: Culture, Institutions, And Instruments" at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington DC. July 15, 2014.
 15. Presentation on "Nuclear Security Governance in India: Culture, Institutions, And Instruments" at the Henry L. Stimson Center, Washington DC. July 16, 2014.
 16. Presentation on "Nuclear Security Governance in India: Culture, Institutions, And Instruments" at the Nuclear Threat Initiative (NTI), Washington DC. July 17, 2014.
 17. "The Evolution and Practices of Indian Notions of Sovereignty", paper presented at the Chatham House session of the ESRC Seminar Series on

- 'Normative Challenges to International Society: Rising Powers and Global Responses' (Chatham House, London, 22 March 2013). <http://www.risingpowersglobalresponses.com/sample-page/papers/>
18. "South Asian Stability Workshop", 19-22 March, 2013, Colombo, organized by Center on Contemporary Conflict, Naval Postgraduate School
 19. *Next Decade of Nuclear Learning* workshop, Bangkok, Thailand from 21-23 May 2012. Organised the Center on Contemporary Conflict (CCC) at the U.S Naval Postgraduate School (NPS), USA.
 20. Delegate at *The 11th IISS Asia Security Summit, the Shangri-La Dialogue*, Singapore, 1-3 June 2012
 21. Indian Delegate at the "Munich Young Leaders 2012" organised by the Korber Foundation as part of the "Munich Security Conference", Munich, Germany, 2-5 February, 2012.
 22. Teleconference briefing on "Nuclear Deterrence and Strategic Stability in South Asia" as part of the "Tuesday Speaker Series" for the United States Pacific Command's (USPACOM) India Strategic Focus Group and Cyber on the Brain Project at 9.30 pm - 10.30 pm on Wednesday February 6, 2012.
 23. *Quand La Diplomatie Devient Un Exercice Public*, Conférence CERI - Direction de la Prospective du MAE CERI, mardi 6 December 2011, Paris, France, I presented a paper on "Public Diplomacy at the Service of Economic Interests: The Indian Case".
 24. Engaging India Workshop, 23-24 November 2011, Australian National University, Canberra. I presented a paper entitled 'Internal Conflicts and India's Great Power Aspirations: Domestic sources of India's New Approach to Kashmir'.
 25. Participant in the ongoing Pugwash Regional Security Initiative involving India, Pakistan, Afghanistan and Iran. Attended the first meeting held in Islamabad, Pakistan on March 29 - 31, 2008.
 26. Presented paper titled "India-Pakistan Peace Process" at the International Workshop on Pakistan's Chronic Instability: International and Regional Concerns Workshop" Griffith Asia Institute, Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia.
 27. Awarded the Australian Government's Leadership Award to participate in the 75th Anniversary National Conference of The Australian Institute of International Affairs on 4-8 August 2008, Melbourne, Australia
 28. Presented paper on "Impact of HIV/AIDS on Governance in Manipur and Nagaland", at the AIDS, Security and Conflict Initiative (ASCI) ASCI Research Review Meeting at the Greentree Foundation in New York, USA, 18 - 20 September 2008.

29. Seventh Annual Seminar by the Department of Strategic and Regional Studies, University of Jammu in collaboration with the 16 Corps, HQ Northern Command, on Pakistan: Past, Present and Future on 5-6 May 2008. Presented a paper entitled "Creating Interdependence in J&K: Potential, Political Discourse and Future Prospects".
30. Forum on HIV/AIDS, Gender and Security in Chennai, India on February 22-23, 2008, being organized on behalf of Women in Security, Conflict Management and Peace (WISCOMP), New Delhi.
31. Attended the National Human Rights Seminar conducted by the White Knight Corps, HQ 16 Corps, Indian Army on 9-10 October 2007, Jammu and Kashmir. Delivered a lecture to the armed forces personnel on "National security, Human Rights and Anti-terror Laws in the post-9/11 Counter Terrorist World".
32. Attended the Forum of Federations country roundtable on 'Foreign Relations in Federal Countries' in Goa on the 17th June 2006. The roundtable was part of the Global Dialogue on Federalism, an initiative by Forum of Federations, Canada.
33. Attended the 4th Pugwash Workshop on Threats without Enemies: The Security Aspects of HIV/AIDS, from April 7-9, 2006, Chennai, India.
34. Presented paper on "Globalization, HIV/AIDS and Security" at the *International Conference on Globalization: Social and Political Dimensions*, 17-18 November, 2005, Centre for the Study of Law and Governance, JNU, in collaboration with the Maison des sciences de l'homme and Institut de Recherches Economiques et Sociales, France. The paper is under publication in an edited volume.
35. Attended the Pugwash Conference on "Threats without Enemies: Learning lessons from the first wave of HIV/AIDS", from 29th April to 1st May, 2005, Cape Town, South Africa. Presented paper on the Indian scenario.
36. Participated in the 5th India-Europe Strategic Dialogue held at Katra, Jammu and Kashmir, India from 18 – 20 February, 2005.
37. Delegate, RCSS Summer Workshop on "Defense, Technology and Cooperative Security in South Asia" held at the Fudan University, Shanghai, China in December 2003.

Lectures and seminar participation

- "India's New Foreign Policy", talk delivered at St. Stephen's College, New Delhi, February 5, 2020
- "India Pakistan Relations", talk delivered at the Norwegian Embassy, New Delhi, February 18, 2020

- “One year of the change of status of Jammu & Kashmir: Taking stock and looking ahead”, talk delivered at the Embassy of Switzerland, New Delhi, August 4, 2020
- "Toward a Kashmir Endgame?", talk delivered at an online event co-organized by USIP & Stimson Centre, Washington DC. August 20, 2020.
- “Tracing the History of India's South Asia Policy” talk delivered at an online event organized by Miranda House, University of Delhi. 11 November 2020
- “Domestic audience costs and foreign policy making in India: Recent shifts in the BJP's strategy”, talk delivered at an online event organized by Oxford University, UK. November 13, 2020.
- “India-Pakistan relations since 2014”, talk delivered at an online event organized by SOAS - King's College London. 18 November, 2020
- Talk on “[Line on Fire: Ceasefire Violations and Indo-Pak Escalation Dynamics](#)” on November 23, 2016 at the Institute for Advanced Study, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary
- Lectures at the Academic Staff College, Rajasthan University, Jaipur, India, on 12-13 March, 2015: “Nuclear Weapons and International Relations”, “India's Nuclear Policy” and “India-Pakistan Relations”.
- Special Lecture “Indo-Pak Relations: Kashmir, Nuclearisation and Terrorism” at the Department of Political Science, Rajasthan University, Jaipur, India, 13 March, 2015.
- Special Lecture on “India-Pakistan Relations: Pathways Ahead”, School of International Studies, Central University Gujarat, February 28, 2014.
- Delivered the 5th Quarterly Lecture of the Centre for Public Policy Research at Press Club Ernakulam, Kerala, 23rd December, 2013 on the topic “Indo-Pak Relations: What lies ahead?”
- Slavic Research Centre, Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Japan (Topic- The Kashmir Issue: A Way Forward; date – 04-02-2010)
- Department of Law, Graduate School of Social Sciences, Hiroshima University, Japan (Topic- The Kashmir issue; date – 02-02-2010)
- Foreign Service Institute, Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi, Government of India (Topic- Future of Diplomacy; Date – 01-09-2009).

Teaching

Courses taught at the Jawaharlal Nehru University

- *Arms control and Disarmament Diplomacy*, (M. Phil core course, CIPOD (DAD), School of International Studies, JNU). (Years taught: 2018, 2019, 2021)
- *India and Disarmament* (M. Phil core course, CIPOD (DAD), School of International Studies, JNU). (Years taught - 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015)
- *National Security and International Relations* (MA optional course), School of International Studies (Years taught - 2010, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2015, 2018)
- *Introduction to World Politics* (School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, Winter 2008)
- *Introduction to Diplomacy* (co-taught), MA option course offered in the winter semester at the School of International Studies (Years taught - 2009, 2010, 2011)
- *Comparative Foreign Policy Decision Making* (M. Phil 2012 batch, CIPOD, School of International Studies, JNU)
- *Contemporary issues in International security* (M. Phil 2013 batch, CIPOD, School of International Studies, JNU)
- *Introduction to IR Theory* (M. Phil 2009 batch, CIPOD, School of International Studies, JNU)

Courses taught at the Jamia Millia Islamia University, New Delhi

- *Non-Traditional Security Studies* (M. A Programme, Nelson Mandela Centre for Peace and Conflict Resolution, Jamia Millia Islamia, 2007-2008)
- *Indian Strategic Thought* (M. A Programme, Nelson Mandela Centre for Peace and Conflict Resolution, Jamia Millia Islamia, 2008-2009)

Courses taught at the University of Jammu

- *Introduction to Strategic Studies* (Two semesters – M. Phil Students, University of Jammu, 2005-6)

Education

- Ph.D., Centre for International Politics, Organization and Disarmament, School of International Studies, JNU, 2010.
- M. Phil, Centre for Studies in Diplomacy, International Law and Economics, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, 2004.
- M. A, (International Relations), Mahatma Gandhi University, Kerala, 2001.
Percentage: 66 (First Rank in the University)
- B. A Panjab University, Chandigarh
- B. Ph (Bachelor in Philosophy) Jnana Deepa Vidyapeeth, Pune, India

- Post-Graduate Diploma in Journalism, Rajendra Prasad Institute of Communication, Mumbai (Kottayam branch).
- Qualified the University Grants Commission test for lectureship in Politics including International Relations (June 2000)

Research Supervision

Ph. D Thesis supervision

Four PhDs have been awarded under my supervision in the past decade. Four PhD theses have been submitted for evaluation, and seven theses are currently under supervision.

	<u>Name of the student</u>	<u>Thesis title</u>	<u>Submission/Award date</u>
1	Mr Gaurav Saini	Investigating India's Strategic Culture: A Study of Indian Thinking on China, 1998 - 2014	PhD awarded
2.	Mr Sharif Hozoori	Role of Political Elites in Foreign Policy Transformation: A Case Study of Afghanistan, 1996-214	Thesis submitted for evaluation in July 2019
3.	Ms Kanica Rakhra	Understanding the Role of Prestige in Indian and Iranian Nuclear Programmes	PhD awarded in 2017
4.	Ms Kaveri Bedi	Films as sites of the State's self-Identity: Exploring the India-Pakistan representation and dichotomy through Hindi films	PhD awarded in 2019
6	Ms Anamika Asthana	The Evolution of Civilian Nuclear Regulation in India: International Nuclear Regulatory Framework, Crisis Learning and Strategic Imperatives	PhD awarded in 2019
7	Ms Tanvi Kulkarni	Assessing the Impact of Crises and International Norms on Nuclear	PhD awarded

		Confidence Building Measures: A Study of Three Nuclear Dyads	
8	Mr Ladhu Ram Choudhary	Explaining Jointness in Military Affairs: A Case Study of the Indian Military	Thesis submitted for evaluation in July 2019
9	Mr Abhay Kumar	End of Cold War and the Transformation of India's Nuclear Policy: 1991-2008	PhD awarded in 2010
10	Ms Shereen Sherif	A Historical Perspective on the Indian Navy: Institutional Evolution and Naval Power since 1934	Synopsis approved
11	Ms Kirti Singh	Evaluating Debates on American Counter-Insurgency Experience	Synopsis approved
12	Ms Deepa varughese	Understanding New Social Movements: A Study of Jadugoda and Koodankulam	Synopsis approved
13	Ms Manisha Chaurasiya	Examining the Issues, Actors and Processes Leading to Deadlock Inside the Conference on Disarmament: 1996-2015	Synopsis approved
14	Ms Sarangthem Thadoingambi Chanu	Role of Nordic states in conflict resolution: A study of Norway's peace diplomacy	Synopsis approved
15	Mr Sayyid Ummer Sameer	An Intellectual History of Internationalism in India: A study of the Perspective of Muhammad Iqbal	Synopsis approved
16	Anuradha Oinam	'Weak States' and Private Military and Security Companies (PMSCs): Case Studies of Afghanistan and Sierra Leone.	Synopsis approved

M. Phil Dissertations

1.	Mr Abhay Kumar	End of Cold War and the Transformation of India's Nuclear Policy: 1991-2008	2010
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2	Ms Kaveri Bedi	Hibakusha Cinema: Understanding Japanese Culture and Society after the Atomic Bombings	2012
3	Mr Cuthert Tongsin Anal	Theorizing the Post Cold War Sino-Indian Relations	2011
4	Ms Kanica Rakhra	Nuclear Decision Making: A Study of Iran & South Africa's Policies	2011
5	Ms Mansi Pritam	The Role of Trust in Negotiations with Non State Armed Groups: Evaluating the cases of Northern Ireland and Israel- Palestine	2012
6	Ms Rachita Mittal	India and the Quest for Soft Power: An Assessment of Successes and Failures	2012
7	Ms Debak Das	Technology, Strategy and Statecraft: Understanding India's Tryst with Missile Defence	2013
8	Mr Ladhu Ram Choudhary	The Notion of Responsibility in International Relations: Examining the Politics of Nuclear Responsibility	2013
9	Ms Shereen Sherif	Negotiating Post-Colonial Spaces: A Study of Indo- Sri Lankan Fishing Disputes	2014
10	Ms Kirti Singh	The Impact of Counter-Terrorism Norms on State Policy: A Case Study of India	2014
11	Ms Tanvi Kulkarni	Credible Minimum Deterrence and No First Use: A Critical Study of the Evolution of India's Key Nuclear Policy Concepts	2014
12	Mr Sayyid Ummer sameer	A study of the writings of Ali Shariati and Syed Hussain Alatas: Rethinking Intellectual Traditions of International Relations in the East.	2019

13	Ms Sarangthem Thadoingambi Chanu	New Trends in Mediation and Conflict Resolution: A Study of Track Two Diplomacy	2019
14	Ms Anuradha Oinam	Privatisation of Security and Contemporary International Relations: A Study of Motivations, Legality and Implications'	2016
15	Mr Chandra Kamal Borah	Use of Unmanned Combat Aerial Vehicles in Military Operations: A Study of Implications and Challenges	2016
16	Mr Prateek Kapil	Rationality and Strategic Decision Making: An Inter-disciplinary study of Concepts, Definitions and Approaches	2015

Host of the weekly Talk-Show “[National Security Conversations](#)” at [The Wire](#)

- Episode 01 - [India-China Informal Summit at Wuhan](#) – In discussion with Professor Alka Acharya, professor of Chinese Studies at Jawaharlal Nehru University about the recently concluded ‘informal’ summit between PM Modi and Chinese President Xi Jinping
- Episode 02 – [Ceasefire Violations along the LoC](#) – In discussion with Syed Ata Hasnain, Retired Lt Gen in the Indian Army about the ceasefire violations along the Line of Control
- Episode 03 – [The PDP-BJP Alliance in J&K is a total disaster](#) – In discussion with A S Dulat, former R&AW Chief about the political and security situation in Kashmir
- Episode 04 – [Indo-US ties and Korean Rapprochement](#) – In discussion with Sumit Ganguly, Professor at Indiana University about the Trump presidency, Korean rapprochement and Indo-US ties under the shadow of China
- Episode 05 – [What was the purpose of Modi’s informal Summit with Putin?](#) - In discussion with Anuradha M Chenoy, former Professor at the Centre for Russian & Central Central Asian Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University about the informal summit between Indian PM Modi and Russian President Putin
- Episode 06 – [Does the absence of Defence Reforms endanger India’s National Security?](#) - In discussion with Admiral Arun Prakash, former Chief of the Indian Navy about India’s defense preparedness
- Episode 07 – [Is India losing Kashmir?](#) - In discussion with Farooq Abdullah, former Chief Minister of J&K about the unrest in Kashmir and what needs to be done in order to bring normalcy and peace to the valley

- Episode 08 – [Have nuclear weapons made India more secure?](#) - In discussion with Dr Manpreet Sethi, expert on nuclear matters on the 20th anniversary of the India's nuclear issues
- Episode 09 – [Has India's Afghanistan Policy served us well?](#) – In discussion with Vivek Katju, former Indian Ambassador to Afghanistan on India's Afghanistan policy, Taliban's increasing influence, Pakistan's efforts to influence Afghan Policy towards India and joint efforts by India and China to stabilize the region
- Episode 10 – [Has PM Modi's foreign policy been an unmitigated disaster?](#) – In discussion with Manish Tewari on the successes and failures of PM Modi's foreign policy, deteriorating neighborhood relations and future steps that India must take to regain trust in the region
- Episode 11 – [Surgical Strikes: Tactical success, Strategic failure](#) – In discussion with Lt Gen H S Panag (retired) on the ongoing counter-insurgency operation in Jammu and Kashmir, politicization of the armed forces, and the surgical strikes of September 2016
- Episode 12 – [Iran Sanctions: PM Modi needs to draw a red line in the Indo-US Relations](#) – In discussion with K C Singh, former Indian Ambassador to Iran about India's decision to reduce oil imports from Iran under US pressure, Trump's impact on the global political order and how PM Modi's foreign policy of 'running with the hares and hunting with the hounds'
- Episode 13 – [Indo-US Relations: Navigating Challenges](#) – In discussion with Ambassador Meera Shankar, former Indian ambassador to the US, about the challenges and opportunities, facing the India – US strategic partnership, the upcoming 2+2 dialogue and managing strategic relationships
- Episode 14 – ['Prime Minister Imran Khan': Implications for India](#) – In discussion with Dr Ashok K Behruia, a close observer of developments in South Asia about the impact of a new government in Pakistan and on its domestic and foreign policy
- Episode 15 – [India and the Global Nuclear Order](#) – In discussion with Ambassador Rakesh Sood about the state of play on the global nuclear non-proliferation regime, treaty and India's place in the global nuclear order
- Episode 16 – [Does the Indian Military have adequate level of Joint Manship?](#) – In discussion with Air Vice Marshall (retired) Arjun Subramaniam about the problems of jointness in the Indian Military
- Episode 17 – [Making sense of India's military doctrines](#) – In discussion with Col Ali Ahmed (retired) about doctrinal thinking in the Indian Armed Forces and the need to devise a comprehensive National Security Strategy
- Episode 18 – [Rafale Deal: Understanding the controversy](#) – In discussion with Ajai Shukla, a defense analyst and M K Venu, The Wire's founding editor, about the controversy surrounding the BJP – led government's decision to buy 36 Rafale fighter jets from France
- Episode 19 – [One Year of Trump's new South – Asia Policy](#) – In discussion with Bharath Gopaldaswamy, Director South Asia Centre at the Atlantic Council

about the performance and implications of Washington's South Asia Policy, 2017

- Episode 20 - [How India Manages Its National Security](#) - In discussion with Arvind Gupta, former deputy national security adviser to the Government of India and currently director of the Vivekananda International Foundation, about India's national security institutions, overlap in their mandates, issues in the coordination of their activities, importance of the National Security Council and its role in formulating India's grand strategy.
- Episode 21 - [State of India's National Security](#) - In discussion with Amb. Shiv Shankar Menon about the state of India's national security. The conversations delve into contemporary challenges that India faces, the meaning of security and the goals of the national security apparatus.
- Episode 22 [Should There Be Trade Between India and Pakistan?](#) In discussion with Prof. Nisha Taneja (Professor, Indian Council for Research on International Economic Relations) about the issues of formal and informal trade between India and Pakistan.
- Episode 23 [Why Have India-Pakistan Bilateral Relations Taken a Negative Turn?](#) In discussion with Amb. Aziz Ahmed Khan (Pakistan's High Commissioner to India from June 2003 to September 2006) and seasoned Indian diplomat Amb. K. C. Singh, to understand why India-Pakistan bilateral relations have taken a negative turn.
- Episode 24 [What's wrong with Modi government's defence policy?](#) In discussion with Pravin Sawhney (Founding editor FORCE magazine) about Prime Minister Narendra Modi's defence policy, need for understanding the real threat from China, future of warfare and India's unpreparedness for the same.
- Episode 25 [Internal Challenges to India's National Security](#) In discussion with Yamini Aiyar (President and Chief Executive of Centre for Policy Research) about the implications of governance and development on national security.
- Episode 26 [Has India's Defensive Strategic Posture Served it Well?](#) In conversation with Professor Rajesh Rajagopalan on India's strategic posture. Rajagopalan argues that India should shed its concerns about escalation and adopt a proactive military strategy towards Pakistan.
- Episode 27 [Making sense of Pakistan: A conversation with Prof. Farzana Shaikh](#) In discussion with Prof. Farzana Shaikh (Associate Fellow of the Royal Institute of International Affairs in London) about Imran Khan's ascension to Prime-Ministership, his domestic and foreign policy, the role of Islam in Pakistan's democratic set up, role of Pak military in its relations with India and what CPEC means for Pakistan.
- Episode 28 [Has India completed its Nuclear Triad with INS Arihant?](#) In discussion with Vice Admiral Shekhar Sinha (former Chief of Integrated Defence Staff, Member of Defence Acquisition Council - 2010 to 2012, Commander in Chief of the Western Naval Command) about INS Arihant

- Episode 29 [Does Track Two Diplomacy work?](#) In discussion with Prof Peter Jones (Associate Professor, Public and International Affairs, University of Ottawa) about the theory and practice of Track Two Diplomacy.
- Episode 30 [Is India Prepared To Prevent Another 26/11 Like Attack?](#) In discussion with C. Uday Bhaskar, Director, Society for Policy Studies, New Delhi, on the lessons learned from the 26/11 terror attack, current state of India's coastal security, importance of beefing up India's maritime surveillance using the latest technology, and the politics of intelligence.
- Episode 31 [How should India manage its troubled neighborhood?](#) An attempt to assess the state of India's neighborhood policy in context of the BJP-led Indian government's 'neighborhood first' policy.
- Episode 32 [Has India lost influence in South Asia?](#) In discussion with Dr C Raja Mohan (Director, Institute of South Asian Studies, National University of Singapore) about India's place in South Asia, what South Asia means as a political construct and how the arrival of China on the scene complicates the traditional India-centric geopolitical image of South Asia.
- Episode 33 [How Sincere Is Imran Khan's Peace Offer To India?](#) In discussion with Moeed W. Yusuf (Associate Vice President, Asia Center at the U.S. Institute of Peace) about lack of India-Pak crisis management measures in the context of Imran Khan's peace offers.
- Episode 34 [What does Sheikh Hasina's landslide victory mean for India - Bangladesh relations?](#) Discussing the results of the recent general elections in Bangladesh with Ambassador Veena Sikri (High Commissioner to Bangladesh. Dec 2003 to Nov 2006).
- Episode 35 [Has China weaned Nepal away from India?](#) In discussion with Prof Mahendra P. Lama (Member, Eminent Persons Group on Nepal and India) about India Nepal relations in the context of growing closeness between Nepal and China.
- Episode 36 [Revolution in Military Affairs and India's Defense Preparedness](#) In discussion with Dr Vipin Narang (Associate Professor, Security Studies, MIT) about the new revolution in the military affairs (RMA) and its implications on global and regional strategic stability.
- Episode 37 [India's tri-service integration and new functional commands for cyber, space and special operations](#) In this episode speaking with Lt. Gen. Satish Dua (Chief of Integrated Defence Staff (Retd.) to the Chairman Chiefs of Staff Committee (CISC)) who played a major role in the establishment of three 'integrated functional commands'
- Episode 38 [Has India Let Down Its Ex-Servicemen?](#) In this episode speaking with Maj. Gen. Satbir Singh (Member, Indian Ex-Servicemen Movement) and Maj. Priyadarshi Chowdhury (National Coordinator/Spokesperson, Joint agitation of Kisans and Jawans) about the latest agitation by the ex-servicemen community
- Episode 39 [Understanding And Responding to Pulwama: India's Options](#) In discussion with Siddharth Varadarajan (Founding Editor, The Wire), Col. Ajai Shukla (Defence Editor, Business Standard) and Moeed Yusuf (U.S.

Institute of Peace) in order to analyse the Pulwama attack and to assess the menu of options India has, to respond.

- Episode 40 [The Political Fallout of Pulwama Terror Attack](#) In discussion with Mr Manish Tewari (Former Union Minister) about the political aftermath of the Pulwama terrorist attack.
- Episode 41 [India's Strategy Trap](#) In discussion with Lt Gen (Dr) Prakash Menon, author of The Strategy Trap: India and Pakistan under the Nuclear Shadow (Wisdom Tree, 2018), about some of the main themes in his book.
- Episode 42 [India responds to Pulwama: Airstrikes in Balakot, Pakistan](#)
In discussion with Manoj Joshi (Senior Defence Journalist), Siddharth Vardarajan (Founding Editor, The Wire) and AVM (Retd.) Kapil Kak to understand the strikes carried by the Indian Air Force in Balakot in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province of Pakistan on a JeM training facility.
- Episode 43 [Lessons from the IAF attack on Balakot](#) Analysing the use of Air Force by both India and Pakistan after the Pulwama terror attack.
- Episode 44 [OIC, Afghan Peace process and India](#) In discussion with Amb. Vivek Katju (India's Amb. to Thailand, Afghanistan and Myanmar) about India's attendance at the recently concluded summit of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) as guest of honour and the subsequent OIC resolution condemning India's actions in Kashmir.
- Episode 45 [Understanding China's Behaviour Towards India](#) In discussion with Dr. Jabin T. Jacob (Associate Professor at the Department of International Relations and Governance Studies, Shiv Nadar University) about China vetoing the request to put Masooz Azar on terror black list.
- Episode 46 [Understanding Jammu & Kashmir: History of Insurgency](#)
In discussion with Dr Manoj Joshi, author of the book 'The Lost Rebellion: Kashmir in the Nineties', about the history of insurgency in Jammu and Kashmir.
- Episode 47 [India, Indo-Pacific and the QUAD](#) In discussion with Commander Abhijit Singh (Head of Maritime Policy Initiative, ORF) about the Indo-Pacific region and the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue (QUAD).
- Episode 48 [India's Defense Budgets 1999-2018](#) In discussion with Abhijnan Rej (Defense Analyst & Political Risk Consultant) about India's Defense budget.
- Episode 49 [Understanding Jammu & Kashmir: Return of the Insurgency](#)
In discussion with Dr. David Devadas (Senior Journalist and author of 'The Story of Kashmir' and 'The Generation of Rage in Kashmir') about his two books.
- Episode 50 [Understanding J&K: The Plight of Kashmiri Pandits](#) In discussion with Siddhartha Gigoo (Author of 'Long Dream of Home' and 'A Fistful of Earth') about the social and political circumstances in which Kashmiri Pandits had to leave Kashmir.
- Episode 51 [Understanding Jammu & Kashmir: Failure of Democratic Institutions](#) In discussion with Wajahat Habibullah (Former Chairperson for National Commission for Minorities and the First Chief Information

- Commissioner of India, an officer of the Jammu & Kashmir Cadre of the Indian Administrative Services, and the author of the much-acclaimed book, 'My Kashmir: The Dying of the Light') about the evolution of Jammu & Kashmir's relations vis-à-vis the Indian state.
- Episode 52 [Understanding Jammu & Kashmir: Civil Initiatives for Dialogue & Peace](#) In discussion with Sushobha Barve (Executive Secretary & Programme Director, Centre for Dialogue & Reconciliation, New Delhi) about her peace-building efforts in different parts of the country, especially in Kashmir.
 - Episode 53 [Maoist Insurgency and Indian State's Response](#) In discussion with Niranjana Sahoo [Author of two books: Politics of Power Sector Reforms in India, Pentagon Press, 2007 and Reservation Policy and its Implementation across Domains in India: An Analytical Review, Academic Foundation, 2009] about Maoist Insurgency in India with reference to his recently published paper titled "Half a Century of India's Maoist Insurgency: An Appraisal of State Response."
 - Episode 54 [Shah Faesal and the 'Jammu & Kashmir People's Movement'](#) In discussion with Shah Faesal (Former Bureaucrat & Founder of Jammu & Kashmir People's Movement), is interviewed by Dr Happyman Jacob and Amber Rahim Shamsi (Pakistani Journalist and host of 'Sawaal with Amber' on Samaa TV).
 - Episode 55 [India's Biggest Military Reforms](#) In discussion with Saikat Dutta (South Asia Editor at Asia Times Online & Strategic Advisor at NullCon) about a story he published on the Indian military undergoing major reforms that will have far reaching consequences for India's military strategy towards Pakistan and China.
 - Episode 56 [Lahore Declaration and India-Pakistan relations](#) In this episode, speaking with Amb. Rakesh Sood (India) & Amb. Salman Bashir (Retd. Foreign Secretary of Pakistan & Former High Commissioner of Pakistan to India) and discusses the Lahore Declaration (signed in 1999), and its renewed importance in the aftermath of Pulwama and Balakot.
 - Episode 57 [The Geopolitical Implications of Article 370 Abrogation](#) Talking about recent developments in Jammu & Kashmir, the reasons why the Indian government chose to scrap Article 370, the manner in which this was done & its domestic and international implications.
 - Episode 58 [Abrogation of Article 370 and its Geopolitical Implications](#) In discussion with Amb. TCA Raghavan about the geopolitical implications of India's decision to abrogate Article 370.
 - Episode 59 [Should India Change its 'No First Use' Nuclear Doctrine?](#) In discussion with Vipin Narang (Author of Nuclear Strategy in the Modern Era) about the status of India's No First Use Nuclear policy in light of Defence Minister Rajnath Singh's statement that India's adherence to 'No First Use' in future will depend on the circumstances.

- Episode 60 [Norway – Peacebuilding Efforts & Relations with India](#) In discussion with Amb. Nils Ragnar Kamsvåg (Ambassador of Norway to India since 2015) about Norway's place in the comity of nations as a peace-builder.
- Episode 61 [India's Space Programme](#) In discussion with Rajeswari Rajagopalan (Distinguished Fellow & Head of the Nuclear and Space Policy Initiative, Observer Research Foundation, New Delhi) about India's space program and its evolution through the decades.
- Episode 62 [Will CDS Bring Tri-service Integration and Military Reform?](#) In discussion with Lt. Gen. Satish Dua (Retd., Indian Army) and Air Vice-Marshal Arjun Subramaniam (Retd., Indian Air Force) about PM Narendra Modi's announcement this Independence Day to create the position of Chief of Defence Staff (CDS)
- Episode 63 [Rajnath Singh's NFU Statement Contradicts India's Conventional Military Strategy'](#) Analysing Defence Minister Rajnath Singh's statement on 'No First Use' in light of India's Military Strategy vis-à-vis Pakistan over the past two decades.
- Episode 64 [India and Israel - Strategic Partnership & Beyond](#) In discussion with Professor PR Kumaraswamy (Professor at School of International Studies in JNU and Honorary Director of Middle East Institute, New Delhi) about the evolution of India-Israel relations.
- Episode 65 [Can Informal Summits Stabilise India-China Relations?](#) In discussion with Ambassador Nirupama Rao [Foreign Secretary from 2009 to 2011, and India's Ambassador to the United States, China as well as High Commissioner to Sri Lanka] about the second informal summit between President Xi Jinping and PM Modi in Chennai.
- Episode 66 [Amb. Nirupama Rao Menon on India -China relations](#) In discussion with Ambassador Nirupama Rao [Foreign Secretary from 2009 to 2011, and India's Ambassador to the United States, China as well as High Commissioner to Sri Lanka] about the second informal summit between President Xi Jinping and PM Modi in Chennai.
- Episode 67 [India's Kashmir Decision: What are Its Repercussions for India's International Image?](#) In discussion with Max Rodenbeck (South Asia Bureau Chief of the Economist) about the international reactions to the situation in Jammu & Kashmir after its autonomy under Article 370 was removed and the state was bifurcated into two union territories.
- Episode 68 [Rise of China & the New World Order](#) In discussion with Professor Peter Jones (Associate Professor at Graduate School of Public and International Affairs in the University of Ottawa) about conflict and cooperation in the new world order.
- Episode 69 [India's exit from RCEP: Reasons and Future Prospects](#) In discussion with Prof. Amita Batra (Professor at Centre for South Asian Studies in School of International Studies at JNU) about India's decision to stay out of the RCEP. She discusses the significance that RCEP's membership would have had for India.

- Episode 70 [India Nepal Relations in The Shadow of Chinese Influence](#)
In discussion with Amb. Ranjit Rae [Rtd. IFS, and India's former ambassador to Hungary (with concurrent accreditation as Ambassador to Slovenia, Bosnia, and Herzegovina) (20016-10), and then ambassador to Vietnam (2010-13) & was India's ambassador to Nepal till 2017] about India-Nepal relations, both at a bilateral level and at a regional level.
- Episode 71 [Contemporary West Asia: Rivalries, Conflicts and the Way Forward](#) In discussion with Amb. Talmiz Ahmad (Retd. Indian Diplomat and Author) about the current state of affairs in West Asia.
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