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## **ABOUT US**

Founded in 1994, the Delhi Policy Group (DPG) is among India's oldest think tanks with its primary focus on strategic and international issues of critical national interest. DPG is a non-partisan institution and is independently funded by a non-profit Trust. Over past decades, DPG has established itself in both domestic and international circles and is widely recognised today among the top security think tanks of India and of Asia's major powers.

Since 2016, in keeping with India's increasing global profile, DPG has expanded its focus areas to include India's regional and global role and its policies in the Indo-Pacific. In a realist environment, DPG remains mindful of the need to align India's ambitions with matching strategies and capabilities, from diplomatic initiatives to security policy and military modernisation.

At a time of disruptive change in the global order, DPG aims to deliver research based, relevant, reliable and realist policy perspectives to an actively engaged public, both at home and abroad. DPG is deeply committed to the growth of India's national power and purpose, the security and prosperity of the people of India and India's contributions to the global public good. We remain firmly anchored within these foundational principles which have defined DPG since its inception.

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*Eighth Delhi Policy Group-Defence Intelligence Agency Workshop for Defence Attachés (Designate), on November 20, 2025. Source: DPG*

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## I. EVENTS



### **Roundtable Discussion on “Follow-up of 15th India-Japan Summit Meeting”**

**Date: October 23, 2025**

The Delhi Policy Group organised a Roundtable discussion on “Follow-up of 15th India-Japan Summit Meeting” on October 23, 2025. The discussion brought together senior representatives from the Embassy of Japan, and the country heads of Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), Japanese External Trade Organisation (JETRO), Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC), Japan Foundation, New Energy and Industry Technology Development Organisation (NEDO), and The Association for Overseas Technical Cooperation and Sustainable Partnerships (AOTS), who shared their perspectives on the implementation of outcomes of the India-Japan Summit held in Tokyo on August 29, 2025. This was followed by an interactive discussion with the DPG senior faculty. The session was conducted under the Chatham House Rule.

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### **DPG-JIIA 8th India-Japan Indo-Pacific Forum, Tokyo**

**Date: November 04 - 05, 2025**

The Delhi Policy Group (DPG) and The Japan Institute of International Affairs (JIIA) jointly organised the 8th India-Japan Indo-Pacific Forum in Tokyo on November 4-5, 2025. This was the 11th edition of the India-Japan Track 1.5 Dialogue series, co-anchored by DPG and JIIA. The event was hosted by JIIA with the support of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of Japan. The DPG delegation was supported by the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India.

The DPG and JIIA delegations were led respectively by Ambassador Hemant Krishan Singh, Director General of DPG, and Ambassador Sasae Kenichiro, President of JIIA.

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### **Eighth Delhi Policy Group-Defence Intelligence Agency Workshop for Defence Attachés (Designate)**

**Date: November 20, 2025**

The Delhi Policy Group (DPG) organised a closed-door training workshop for Indian Defence Attachés (Designate) in collaboration with the Defence Intelligence Agency (DIA) on November 20, 2025. This was the eighth iteration of the DPG-DIA training workshop.

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## DPG-NIDS (Japan) Interactive Discussion

**Date: December 11, 2025**

The DPG Senior Faculty held an interactive discussion with scholars from Japan's National Institute for Defense Studies (NIDS) on December 11, 2025. The NIDS delegation, led by Mr. Masuda Masayuki, Head of the China Division, included Mr. Oguma Shinya, Research Fellow. Colonel Yasumura Masashi, Air Attaché at the Embassy of Japan in India, also attended.

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## II. PODCASTS



### EP#7 | The Indian Military in 2025

Date: November 25, 2025

[Play Podcast](#)



### III. PUBLICATIONS

#### (i) Policy Briefs



#### **Rethinking Power in the Digital Age**

By Lt. Gen. Deependra Singh Hooda (Retd.), PVSM, UYSM, AVSM, VSM & Bar

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#### **US National Security Strategy 2025**

By Cmde. Lalit Kapur

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#### **Global Order, the US and India**

By Ambassador Hemant Krishan Singh, I.F.S. (Retd.)

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#### **Developments in the Indian Military - 2025**

By Lt. Gen. Deependra Singh Hooda (Retd.), PVSM, UYSM, AVSM, VSM & Bar, Vice Admiral Anil Chopra (Retd.), PVSM, AVSM, Commodore Lalit Kapur (Retd.)

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## Europe in 2025: Strategic Realism Takes Hold

By Ambassador Ruchira Kamboj

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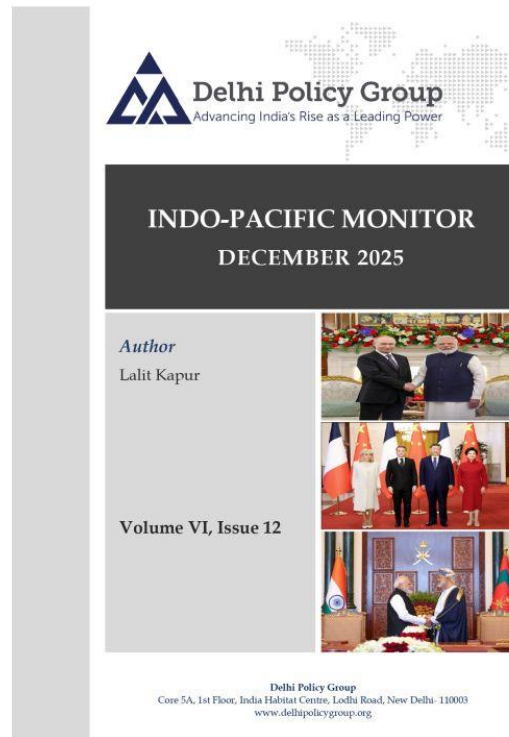
## (ii) Flagship Monthlies



### Global Horizons

Monthly assessment of salient trends and ongoing transformations in the increasingly multipolar global order, as well as India's diplomatic initiatives and role in global institutions, authored by Amb. Nalin Surie, Distinguished Fellow for Diplomacy.

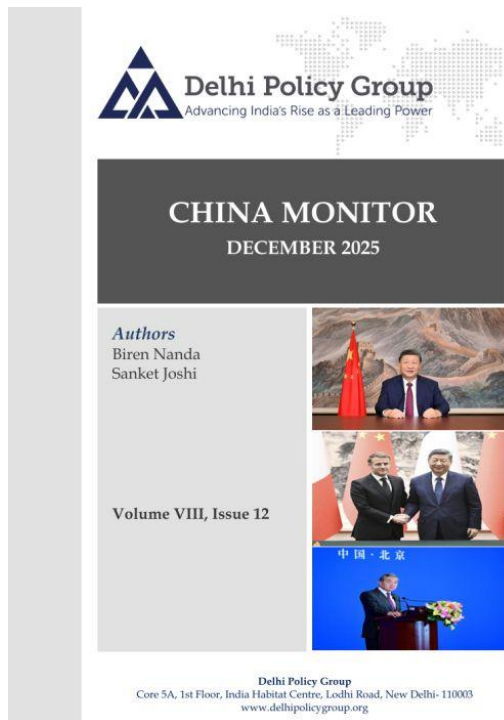
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### Indo-Pacific Monitor

Monthly analysis of significant developments, trends and emerging issues impacting the interconnected Indo-Pacific maritime, authored by Cmde. Lalit Kapur (Retd.), Senior Fellow for Maritime Strategy.

[Vol VI, Issue 10-12](#)



## China Monitor

Monthly overview of significant domestic and external trends and developments related to China, including India-China relations, authored by our research team led by Amb. Biren Nanda, Senior Fellow for Act East Diplomacy.

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## East Asia Explorer

Evolving geopolitical trends, security challenges, role of regional institutions, and India's relations with ASEAN, authored by our research team led by Amb. Biren Nanda, Senior Fellow for Act East Diplomacy.

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## India Strategic Review

Monthly assessment of key developments, trends and policies pertaining to India's strategic neighbourhood, authored by Lt. Gen. Deependra Singh Hooda (Retd.), Distinguished Fellow for Military Strategy.

[Vol. VI, Issue 10-12](#)



## Economic Security and Resilience Review

Monthly assessment of global, regional and national initiatives to address the issues of economic security and resilience, authored by Dr. V.S. Seshadri, Senior Fellow for Economic Security.

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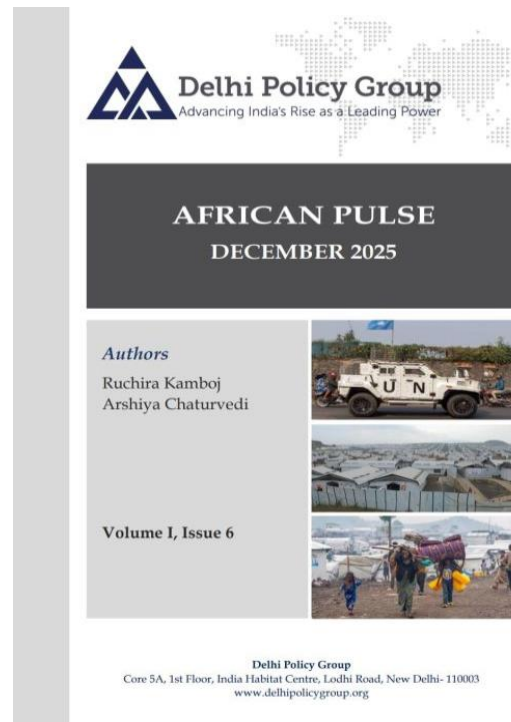




## Focus Europe

Monthly studies of strategic developments in Europe and India's relations with the EU and major European powers, authored by our research team led by Amb. Ruchira Kamboj, Senior Fellow for International Security and Global Affairs.

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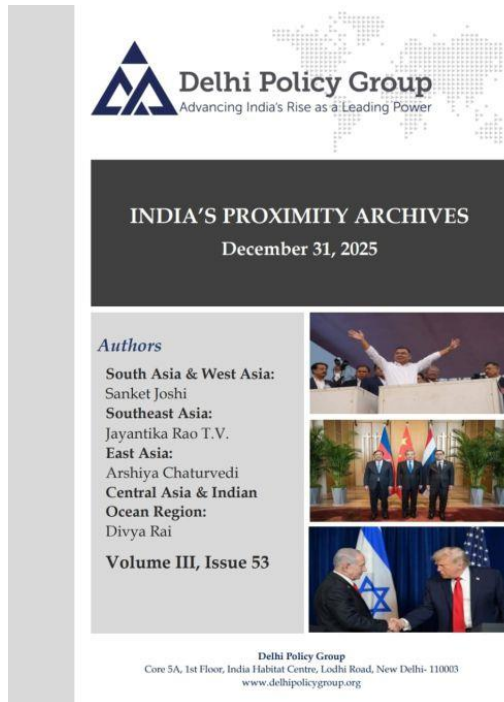


## African Pulse

Monthly studies of strategic and economic security related developments in Africa of significance for India, authored by our research team led by Amb. Ruchira Kamboj, Senior Fellow for International Security and Global Affairs.

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### (iii) Weekly Archives



### India's Proximity Archives

This weekly publication covers major developments in South Asia, Southeast Asia, West Asia, China, and Central Asia of strategic relevance to India and is compiled by DPG Research Associates Shreyas Deshmukh, Sanket Joshi, Jayantika Rao T.V., Divya Rai and Arshiya Chaturvedi.

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## IV. OPINION

THE HINDU  
**businessline.**

### **The end of fair trade?**

By: Dr. V.S. Seshadri

Date: October 11, 2025

Publisher: BusinessLine

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**The Tribune**  
CHANGING THE NARRATIVE

### **Religious rigidity can hurt military ethos**

By: Lt. Gen. Deepenadra Singh Hooda (Retd.)

Date: December 02, 2025

Publisher: The Tribune

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THE HINDU  
**businessline.**

### **The US push to redefine the WTO**

By: Dr. V.S. Seshadri

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