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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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## I. EVENTS



Roundtable Discussion on "Outlook for India-US Trade and Economic Relations under Trump 2.0"

**Date: March 11, 2025**

The Delhi Policy Group held a roundtable discussion on March 11, 2025 to discuss the broad outlook for India-US bilateral economic relations in the light of the agenda set by the Modi-Trump Summit held on February 13, 2025. The event brought together distinguished scholars and domain experts, who deliberated upon the likely impact of the Trump administration's policies on trade and tariffs, and possible negotiating strategies for India on the proposed India-US bilateral trade agreement. The session was held under the Chatham House rule.

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## Delhi Policy Group - US National War College Discussion

**Date: April 03, 2025**

The Delhi Policy Group held an interactive discussion with student officers of the US National War College (NWC) on April 3, 2025, marking the fifth iteration of this annual event. The 15-member US NWC team was led by Professor Gregory Macris. Members of the DPG senior faculty shared perspectives on global order, regional security challenges and prospects for enhanced India-US defence partnership. This was followed by Q&A interaction with the US NWC team.

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### Global Horizons

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### Developments in Southeast Asia: 2024

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.

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## 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.

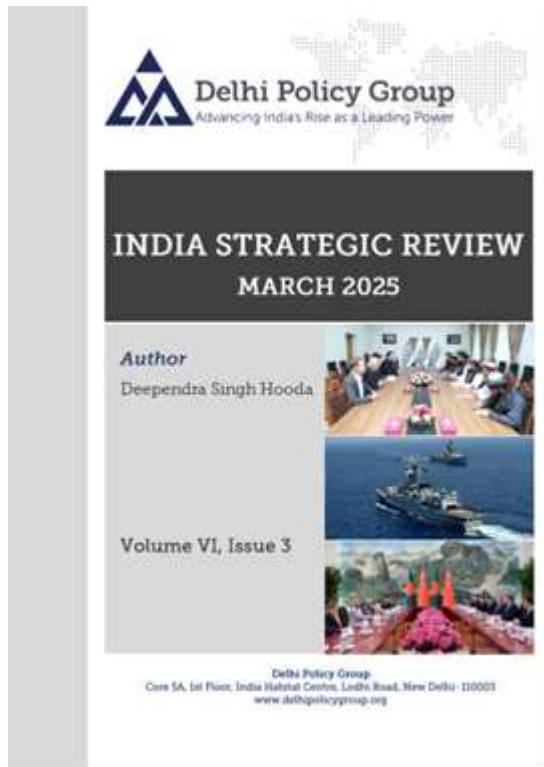
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## East Asia Explorer

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.

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## West Asia Review

Monthly assessment of strategic developments in West Asia, security issues relevant to the region, and India's regional diplomacy and initiatives, authored by Amb. Gaddam Dharmendra, Adjunct Senior Fellow for West Asian Security Affairs.

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## 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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### (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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### III. OPINION



#### **Getting Ready for Trump 2.0**

By: Dr. V.S. Seshadri

Date: January 1, 2025

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#### **Why China has made new units in Aksai Chin**

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Date: January 9, 2025

Publisher: The Tribune

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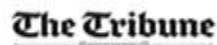
#### **Why has India overlooked President Trump's offer to mediate in India-China conflict?**

By: Amb. Phunchok Stobdan

Date: February 25, 2025

Publisher: The Indian Express

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#### **Armed forces must confront the past**

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