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Policy Dialogues

DPG-CSIS Dialogue and Report Launch, New Delhi, August 19, 2019



DPG hosted a policy dialogue with Dr. John J. Hamre, President and CEO, CSIS, Washington D.C. on August 19, 2019. Dr. Hamre was accompanied by Mr. Richard M. Rossow, India-Chair at CSIS. They were joined by fifteen Indian participants, drawn from DPG, strategists from think tanks and senior government officials from MoD/IDS and MEA. The dialogue saw a wide ranging exchange of views on US foreign policy trends and the current climate of US-India bilateral relations. A CSIS/DPG White Paper on US-India Maritime Security Cooperation was launched at the event.

DPG Dialogue with Foundation for Defense of Democracies, Washington D.C., New Delhi, August 29, 2019

DPG hosted a delegation from the Center on Military and Political Power (CMPP) of the Foundation for Defense of Democracies, Washington DC on August 29, 2019. The CMPP team was headed by Mr. Bradley Bowman, Senior Director. The agenda for discussions, which were held under the Chatham House Rule, focused on global geopolitical developments, particularly in the Indo-Pacific, and how to take India-US relations forward.

Roundtables

DPG-DIA Workshop for Defence Attachés (Designate), New Delhi, July 9, 2019



In collaboration with the Defence Intelligence Agency, the Delhi Policy Group organised a one day Workshop for Indian Defence Attachés (Designate) on July 9, 2019. The Opening Session of the Workshop was attended by Lt. Gen. A.S. Bedi, UYSM, YSM, VSM, Director General, Defence Intelligence Agency and Air Marshal Rajeev Sachdeva, AVSM, Deputy Chief of Integrated Defence Staff (Policy Planning & Force Development). Attendees included 14 Defence Attachés (Designate), who are preparing for their assignments abroad to various Indian diplomatic missions in Asia and Europe. Sessions at the Workshop covered global geopolitical trends, India's major power relations, India and the Indo-Pacific, India's challenges of capability development and India as an attractive economic destination. The closed door workshop was organised under the Chatham House rule.

DPG Ambassadorial Roundtable with H.E. Mr. Pham Sanh Chau,
Ambassador of Vietnam, New Delhi, August 6, 2019



The DPG Senior Faculty held an interactive dialogue with H.E. Mr. Pham Sanh Chau, Ambassador of Vietnam on August 6, 2019. Discussions at the roundtable covered strategic and security issues of the Indo-Pacific and India's bilateral relations with Vietnam, against the backdrop of the recently concluded ASEAN Post-Ministerial Conference (PMC) meetings.

Roundtable on India-Indonesia Relations, New Delhi, August 27, 2019



In collaboration with the Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia, the Delhi Policy Group organized a one-day Roundtable Discussion on India-Indonesia relations to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the establishment of full diplomatic ties. The keynote address at the roundtable was delivered by H.E. Ms. Vijay Thakur Singh, Secretary (East) in the Ministry of External Affairs. Participants included senior officials and prominent strategists from both countries. The roundtable saw in-depth discussion of India-Indonesia relations, both bilateral and in the wider context of the Indo-Pacific, ranging from defence and security to trade and economy. Outcomes and recommendations will be shared with the respective governments.

Faculty Activities

The DPG faculty was an active participant in various think tank interactions during this period, some of which are mentioned below.

Ambassador H.K. Singh, Director General

RSIS-GRIPS-CSIS (J) Workshop, Singapore, September 6-7, 2019



- Ambassador H. K. Singh attended the RSIS-GRIPS-CSIS (J) Workshop launching a Policy Research Network on Contemporary Southeast Asia in Singapore on September 6, 2019

Ambassador Nalin Surie, Distinguished Fellow

- Attended De-Briefing Session on G20 Osaka Summit, RIS, New Delhi, July 16, 2019
- Participation in Chanakya Chakra Forum meeting on "Diplomatic and Strategic Choices for a New India", organised by FSI, New Delhi, July 31, 2019
- Paper submitted for USI-Sichuan University joint project on "The US factor in Sino-Indian relations: the contemporary scenario". Book being published in October 2019

- Paper presented at the Fifth meeting of Delhi Forum for Strategic Studies on "China's Global and Regional Ambitions", New Delhi, September 23, 2019

Ambassador Biren Nanda, Senior Fellow

- Panelist in Session II on "Recent Trends and Developments in Indo-Pacific" at the Seminar on "Perspectives on India-China Relations and Trends in Indo-Pacific Development", jointly organised by Institute of Chinese Studies and Shanghai Institutes for International Studies, New Delhi, September 20, 2019

Brig. Arun Sahgal (Retd.), Ph.D, Senior Fellow



- Speaker in the Session on "Afghanistan - Analyzing Impending Developments" at the "Chanakya Chakra" Forum on Foreign and Security Policies, organised by FSI, New Delhi, September 5, 2019

Lt. Gen. Anil Ahuja (Retd.), Senior Fellow

- Presentation on "India US Relations - Implications and Alternative" at the National Security Council Secretariat, New Delhi, July 2, 2019
- Attended a brainstorming session on "Implementation plan for creating the post of the Chief of Defence Staff (CDS)" organised by Vivekananda International Foundation, New Delhi, August 29, 2019

Dr. Didar Singh, Senior Fellow

- Chaired FICCI Task Force meeting on Migration, New Delhi, July 22, 2019
- Contributed chapter "Working at It" for the book on "Future of Work: Lessons from India", released by SEWA at Ahmedabad University, Ahmedabad, September 8, 2019
- Keynote presentation at the Roundtable Discussion on "Technology, Skill Development and Global Supply Chains", organised by SEWA Forum on Future of Work, Ahmedabad, September 9, 2019

Cmde. Lalit Kapur (Retd.), Senior Fellow

- Participation in 2019 Asia-Pacific Security Forum (APSF) organised by Institute for National Policy Research (INPR), Honolulu, August 19, 2019

Publications

DPG Policy Briefs



[“Potential Implications of Brexit for the UK, the EU and India”](#)

by Vedika Rekhi

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July 2, 2019



[“Global Strategic Competition: Implications for India”](#)

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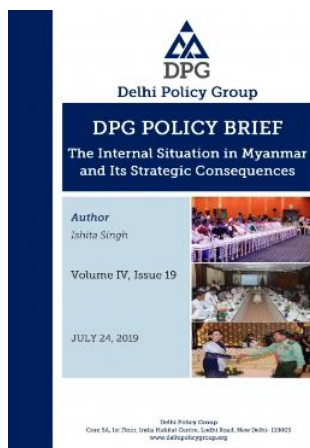
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[“ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific”](#)

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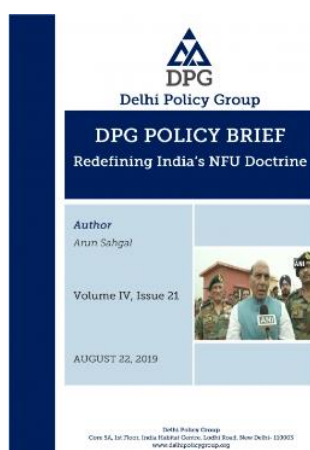
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"Reorganisation of Jammu & Kashmir: Dawn of a New Era"

by Lalit Kapur, Arun Sahgal, Hemant Krishan Singh

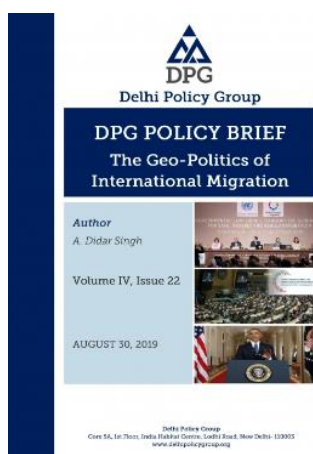
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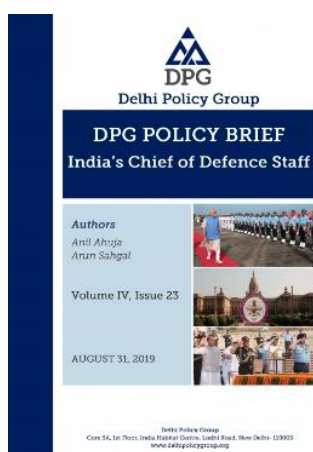
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"The Geo-Politics of International Migration"

by A. Didar Singh

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August 30, 2019



"India's Chief of Defence Staff"

by Anil Ahuja and Arun Sahgal

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August 31, 2019

DPG China Monitor



DPG China Monitor: June 2019

Monthly review of India-China relations as covered in reports and commentaries appearing in open source Chinese media, Vol. II, Issue 6

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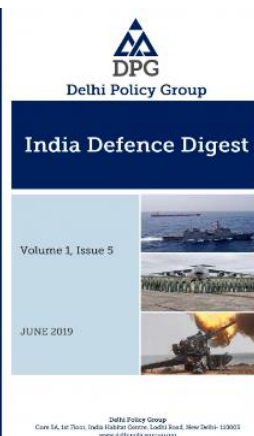
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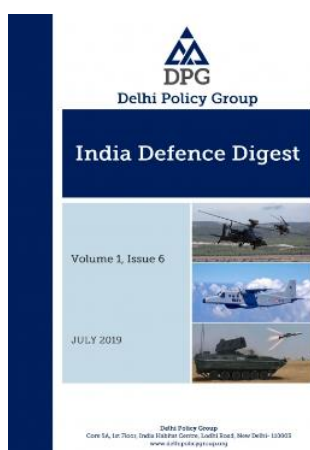
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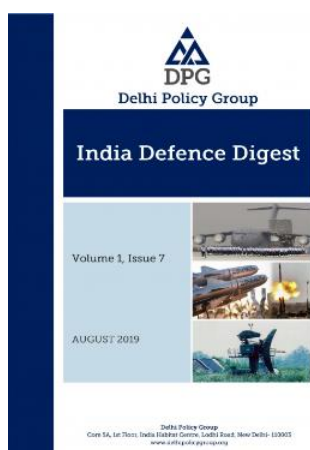


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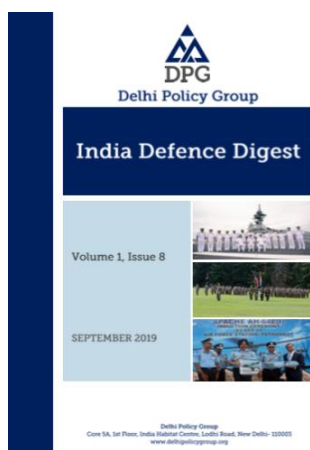
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Weekly review of major developments impacting India from open source media, Vol. III, Issues 27-39



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