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Educational Qualifications:

PhD-2003: International Politics

Title: Non-Governmental Organisation and Multinational Corporations: A Study of Civil Society Responses to Foreign Direct Investment in India in the 1990s.

Centre for International Politics, Organisation and Disarmament, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India.

Peace Research (Certificate Course)

International Summer School, 2007, University of Oslo, Norway.

Visiting Faculty

1. Asian Institute of Diplomacy and International Affairs (AIDIA), Kathmandu, Nepal, since 2025.
2. Shashastra Seema Bal Academy, Bhopal, since 2018.
3. Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie, India (September 2006 to March 2011).
4. Centre for the Study of Nepal, Faculty of Social Sciences, Banaras Hindu University (2014).

Awards and Honorary Positions

- Visiting Fellow to *International Peace Research Institute* (PRIO), Oslo, Norway, as part of IDSA-PRIO bilateral programme from June 6 to July 7, 2006, and July 2007. The project title was “Organisation and Recruitment in Maoist Groups in India.”
- Received IDSA President’s Excellence Award for Young Scholars 2016.
- Life member of the Study of Peace and Conflict (SSPC), New Delhi, 2015.

Project Consultant

1. South Asia Conflict Monitor, a monthly bulletin published by the Study of Peace and Conflict (SSPC), New Delhi. (2015-2017)
2. AIDIA, Kathmandu.

List of Publications

Book

1. Nepal: The Making of an Inclusive Constitution-Demands, Debates, Dissents, Pentagon Press, New Delhi, 2025. (ISBN 9788198285737)

2. Strategic Himalayas: Republican Nepal and External Powers, IDSA and Pentagon Press, New Delhi, August 2014. (ISBN 9788182747616)

Edited Book

1. Cooperative Security Framework for South Asia, IDSA, Pentagon Security International, New Delhi, November 2013. (ISBN 978-81-8274-705-0)

Monograph

1. Political Changes in Nepal and Bhutan: Emerging Trends in Foreign Policy in Post 2008 Period, MP-IDSA and Knowledge World Publishers, Monograph No. 72, 2021.

Journal Publications (Refereed)

1. Sneha M & Nihar R Nayak, "Democracy Vs Monarchy: The Unfolding Crisis in Nepal", *Journal of Peace Studies*, Vol. 32, Issue 2, April-June 2025.
2. "Bhutan-China Boundary Dispute: Evaluating the Impact of a New Roadmap", *Journal of Peace Studies*, Vol. 32, Issue 1, January-March 2025.
3. "Energy and Development: Assessing the Viability of Hydroelectricity Trade in the Himalayas", *Strategic Analysis*, August 2023.
4. "Re-linking the landlocked Countries: India's Connectivity Initiatives and Options before Nepal and Bhutan", *Journal of Peace Studies*, Vol. 29, Issue 1, January-March 2022.
5. "Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries: Nepal's Transit Route Negotiations with India" *Strategic Analysis*, Vol 40 (2), February 2016, pp. 101-121. (ISSN 0970-0161)
6. "UCPN-Maoist's Two-Line Struggle: A Critical Analysis", *Strategic Analysis*, vol 36-5, Sept-Oct., 2012, pp.753-775. (ISSN 0970-0161)
7. The Madhesi Movement in Nepal: Implications for India, *Strategic Analysis*, 35-4, July 2011, pp. 640-660. (ISSN 0970-0161)
8. Indo-Nepal 1950 Peace and Friendship Treaty: Who is benefiting? *Strategic Analysis*, 34-4, July 2010, pp. 579-593. (ISSN 0970-0161)
9. "PLA Integration into the Nepal Army: Challenges and Prospects", *Strategic Analysis*, Vol. 33 (5), September 2009, pp. 730-744 (ISSN 0970-0161)
10. "Major Powers Involvement in Nepal since the 1990s: Implications for India," *Strategic Analysis*, Vol 33 (1), January 2009, pp. 41-53 (ISSN 0970-0161)

11. "Maoists in Nepal and India: Tactical Alliances and Ideological Differences," *Strategic Analysis*, Vol 32 (3), May 2008, pp. 459-475 (ISSN 0970-0161)
12. The Maoist Movement in Nepal and Its Tactical Digressions: A Study of Strategic Revolutionary Phases, and Future Implications, *Strategic Analysis*, Vol 31 (6), November 2007, pp. 915-942 (ISSN 0970-0161)

Articles in edited books

1. "India-Nepal Water Resources Management: Changing Dynamics, Challenges, and the Road Ahead", in Ranjit Rae (ed.) *Shared Bonds, Strategic Interests: India-Nepal Relations in a Turbulent World*, Simon & Schuster India, 2025.
2. "India's Development Partnership with Nepal," in Mahawar and Bhattacharjee (eds.) *India's Development Partnership: Expanding Vistas*, ICWA and Knowledge World, New Delhi, July 2023.
3. "Nepal between India and China: Chinese engagements in Nepal and Implications for India" in Sangeeta Thapliyal, ed., *India, China and the Strategic Himalayas*, Knowledge World, New Delhi, 2023.
4. "Intensifying India-China Rivalry and its Implications for Nepal," in Chandra D. Bhatta and Jonathan Menge (eds.), *Gaida's Dance with Tiger and Dragon*, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Kathmandu, 2022.
5. "Disasters Risk Reduction and Regional Cooperation: An Indian perspective" in Nischal Nath Pandey and KAS (eds.) "Disaster Risk Reduction: A Collective Approach from South and Southeast Asia," published by Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung and COSAAT, Kathmandu, 2021.
6. "New Nepal under Chinese shadow and Indian influence, in Alok Bansal and Aayushi Ketkar (eds.), *Geopolitics of Himalayan Region: Cultural, Political and Strategic Dimensions*, Pentagon Press, New Delhi, March 2019. ISBN-978-93-86618. Pg-140-154
7. Demographic Changes and Threat to National Security in Nepal, in Deepak K Adhikari and Tikaram Paudel (eds.), *Bharat-Nepal Relations: Defence and Security issues*, NeNAP, Kathmandu, Nepal, 2018. Pg-108-111
8. "Nepal and Bhutan in India's Security Architecture", in Satish Kumar (ed.) *India's National Security Annual Review 2018*, New Delhi, Pentagon Press. ISBN-9789386618412. pg-231-243
9. "Open Border Security Challenges for India", in B C Upreti edited "India-Nepal Relations: Issues in Cooperation and Consolidation", G B Books, New Delhi, 2017. (ISBN-9789383930678), pg-30-46.
10. "From Barter to Dollar: Revival of SSR in Central Himalayas and its implications" in a book edited by Maheswar Joshi, Doon Library and Research Center, *Unfolding Central Himalaya: The Cradle of Culture*, Almorah Book Depots, 2017, pp. 347-364 (the paper was presented in an international seminar in December 2015). ISBN-81-85865-44-2

11. "Nepal in 2016: An Assessment", in Vijay Sakhuja (ed.) *Pentagon Year Book 2017: South Asia Defence and Strategic Perspective*, Pentagon Press, New Delhi, 2017. (ISBN-9788182749467)
12. "Rohingya Refugees in India: Challenges and Resolutions," in Nishchal N. Pandey (ed.), *Refugees and IDPs in South Asia*, published by COSSAT and KAS, Kathmandu, November 2016.
13. "China's Engagement with Nepal in 2014," in Prashant Singh (ed.), *China Year Book 2014*, Magnum Books Pvt Ltd, New Delhi, 2015. (ISBN 978938251226-4)
14. "India and SAARC: From a reluctant member to active partner," in Nishchal Nath Pandey (ed.) *Deeper Integration for Peace and Prosperity in South Asia*, published by COSSAT-KAS, Kathmandu, June 2015. (ISBN 9789937297509)
15. "Mutual Assured Security: India-Nepal Security Cooperation to Mitigate Common Threats", in S.D. Muni and Vivek Chadha (eds.) *Asian Strategic Review 2015: India as a Security Provider*, Pentagon Press, 2015. (ISBN-9788182748255)
16. "China and South Asia: China-Nepal Relations in 2013", in Naval Jagota (ed.) *China Yearbook 2013*, Magnum Books Pvt Ltd, 2014. (ISBN-9789382512240)
17. "Issues and Concerns in India-Nepal Relations", in A. Behuria and R. Dahiya (eds), *India's Neighbourhood: Challenges in the Next Two Decades*, Pentagon Security International, New Delhi, 2012. (ISBN 9788182746879)
18. "Does South Asia Need a Regional Security Architecture?" with Smruti Pattanaik in Nihar Nayak (ed.) "Cooperative Security Framework for South Asia," IDSA, Pentagon Security International, New Delhi, 2013. (ISBN 9788182747050)
19. "Maoist Insurgency in Eastern Indian States: Issues and Mobilisation", in Non-State Armed Groups in South Asia, Arpita Anant (ed.), Pentagon, New Delhi, July 2011. (ISBN-9788182745759)
20. "International Impact of Conflict in Nepal", in Internal Conflict in Nepal: Transnational Consequences, VR Raghavan (ed.), Vij Books, New Delhi, July 2011. (ISBN-9789380177649)
21. "Nepal 2030", A Lele, N. Goswami and Rumel Dahiya, eds, *Asia 2030: The Unfolding Future*, Lancer, New Delhi, 2010. (ISBN-9781935501224)
22. Nepal-India Water Cooperation, in "Water Security for India: The External Dynamics", IDSA Task Force Report, IDSA, New Delhi, 2010. (ISBN-8186019839)
23. Democratic Experiment in Bhutan: Challenges and Prospects", *Asian Strategic Review*, Academic Foundation, Delhi, 2008. (ISBN-9788171887125)
24. "Post-Election Nepal: Maoist Success and Challenges Ahead", Ashok Behuria, ed, *India and its Neighbours: Towards a new partnership*, IDSA, New Delhi, July 2009. (ISBN-8186019553)
25. "Naxalism in India: Emerging Issues and Threats," *National Security Series – 2006*, United Service Institution of India, New Delhi. (ISBN-9788187966678)
26. "The Nepal Army", in Vishal Chandra (ed) *India's Neighbourhood: The Armies of South Asia*, Pentagon Press, Delhi, 2013. (ISBN-9788182747067)
27. "Political Developments in Nepal," Virendra Gupta, S Kumar and V Chandra, eds., *India's Neighborhood Challenges Ahead*, IDSA and Rubicon, New Delhi, 2008. (ISBN-1858453798)

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2. “Maoists in Orissa: Growing Tentacles and a Dormant State”, *Faultlines*, Vol. 17, 2006, Bulwark Books, Delhi. ISBN-8187553170
3. “Maoist Movements in Tamil Nadu-State Responses and Management”, *Tamil Nadu Police Journal*, Vol 02 (1), January-March 2008.
4. “Caution is the key” IDSA debate on India-Nepal-China trilateral proposal, *Strategic Analysis*, vol. 37 (5), 2013, pp.638-639.
5. “Arms Management in Nepal: The Role of UN,” *World Focus*, July 2007.

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2. Ashish Banik, Deepak Rauniar and Nihar R. Nayak, “Trilateral Electricity Trade in Eastern South Asia: A Step Forward Towards Regional Integration”, AIDIA Policy Brief, Vol. 2, January-February 2022, AIDIA, Kathmandu, Nepal.
3. Nihar R. Nayak and Purushottam Poudel “Strategies and Trends: Evaluating Chinese Investments in Nepal,” AIDIA Policy Brief, Vol. 4, May-June 2023, AIDIA, Kathmandu, Nepal.
4. Shweta Karki and Nihar R. Nayak, “Climate Change and Sustainable Development in Nepal: Bridging the Gap” AIDIA Policy Brief, Vol. 2, Issue 1, January-February 2024, AIDIA, Kathmandu, Nepal.
5. Nihar R. Nayak and Sajina Rai “Foreign Direct Investment Flows: India to Nepal since the 1990s”, AIDIA Policy Brief, Vol. 2, Issue 2, March-April 2024, AIDIA, Kathmandu, Nepal.

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2. Nepal-China Transit Agreement: An Evaluation, IDSA Issue Brief, September 27, 2018.
3. Nihar R Nayak, Rajrajeshwari Singh & Ashok K Behuria, Bhutan National Assembly Elections 2018: A Mandate for Change? IDSA Issue Brief, November 12, 2018.

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1. “Three Scenarios in Nepal: House reinstatement, new poll date most likely”
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2. “Nepal Elections-2022: A vote for change, but no guarantee of political stability”,
04 December 2022, *Tarun Bharat*, a vernacular daily from Mumbai.
3. “India’s interest in Maldivian Politics”, *The Annapurna Express*, Kathmandu, 04
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4. Sri Lanka: Warning for other SAARC countries, *The Annapurna Express*,
Kathmandu, 17 July 2022.
5. <https://theannapurnaexpress.com/news/sri-lanka-warning-for-other-saarc-countries-7107>
6. China’s new troubles in Nepal, *The Annapurna Express*, Kathmandu, 12 June
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8. Nepali PM’s historic India visit, *The Annapurna Express*, Kathmandu, 10 April
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9. <https://theannapurnaexpress.com/news/opinion-nepali-pms-historic-india-visit-5315>
10. IPCC report paints bleak picture of the Himalayas, *The Annapurna Express*,
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18. 18th SAARC summit: seizing the opportunity, *The Pioneer*, 23 November 2014.
19. Going beyond the ceremonial, *The Hindu*, June 30, 2014.
20. Kathmandu Conundrum, *Hindustan Times*, Mar 12, 2013.
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3. Generation Z: A Catalyst for Change in Nepal's Political Landscape, Strategic Digest, MP-IDSA, Vol. 7, No. 18, 16 September 2025.
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5. Testing Times for Democracy in Nepal, MP-IDSA comment, June 17, 2021.
6. Will Oli Complete Second Innings as PM? MP-IDSA comment, 21 May 2021.
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8. India-Bhutan Ties Set for Further Growth, All India Radio (AIR) World Service, 19 November 2019.
9. Pakistan and COVID-19 Pandemic: Is the Army Taking Advantage? Commentary, Society for the Study of Peace and Conflict, 18 April 2020.
10. NEPAL: New Left-Wing Extremism and Impending Threat, Society for the Study of Peace and Conflict, 20 March 2020.
11. Rohingya Muslims of Rakhine: Still Caught Between the Deep Sea and the Devil, Commentary, Society for the Study of Peace and Conflict, 20 December 2019.
12. Indian PM's Bhutan visit: Agenda to expand bilateral relations, All India Radio (AIR) World Service, 19 August 2019.
13. Nepal-China BRI Conundrum, Asian Institute of Diplomacy and International Affairs (AIDIA), a foreign policy think-tank in Kathmandu, Nepal, on May 29, 2019.
14. New Modi Government's foreign policy and Nepal was published in 'Nepal News', Kathmandu, on May 29, 2019.
15. Nepal, India and GST: Implications on Bilateral and Transit Trade, prepared project report for Society for the Study of Peace and Conflict (SSPC), New Delhi, 2019.
16. Oli's India visit: Resetting bilateral relations for mutual benefit, IDSA Strategic Comments, April 11, 2018.
17. LUMBINI: So near and yet so far for India, SSPC commentaries, August 29, 2018.
18. Maoism Revisited: A Brief Sketch of Communist Party of Nepal, SSPC commentaries, March 14, 2019.
19. Nepal-China Transit Agreement: An Evaluation, IDSA Issue Brief, September 27, 2018.
20. Bhutan National Assembly Elections 2018: A Mandate for Change? IDSA Issue Brief, November 12, 2018.
21. Bhutan Says no to BRI, ESD (All India Radio) commentaries, April 20, 2019.
22. Bhutan Elections: Another Step Towards Consolidating Democracy, ESD (All India Radio) commentaries, June 9, 2018.
23. Indo-Bhutan Ties Get A Fillip, ESD (All India Radio) commentaries, July 8, 2018.

24. Khaleda Zia's Conviction Will Only Add to Bangladesh's Internal Political Chaos, *The Wire*, 16 Feb 2018.
25. "India's New Gateway to Bhutan" *The Diplomat*, Washington, DC, USA, February 08, 2018.
26. India-Nepal: Is India Heading for Course Correction? *Society for the Study of Peace and Conflict*, opinion, February 3, 2018.
27. What the Nepal Elections say about FP, *South Asian Voice*, *Stimson Center*, Washington, DC, USA, 12 December, 2017.
28. Earning Nepal's trust is India's best bet to counter China, *WION*, August 28, 2017.
29. China's growing military ties with Nepal, *IDSA Strategic Comments*, March 31, 2017.
30. India-Nepal ties: Will PM Prachanda walk the extra mile for a warmer relationship? *FIRSTPOST*, September 17, 2016.
31. Pokhara Parleys: Efforts to Connect SAARC, *IDSA Strategic Comments*, March 22, 2016.
32. Nepal: The Rising Political Uncertainty, *Society for the Study of Peace and Conflict*, opinion, October 6, 2015.
33. Post-Constitution Shivers in Nepal and India's Response, *IDSA Strategic Comments*, September 28, 2015.
34. BBIN-MVA: Pushing Regional Integration through Sub-regional Cooperation, *IDSA Strategic Comments*, June 19, 2015.
35. Controversy over Lipu-Lekh Pass: Is Nepal's Stance Politically Motivated? *IDSA Strategic Comments*, June 09, 2015.
36. The Nepal Earthquake: Could SAARC have been Effective? *IDSA Strategic Comments*, June 02, 2015.
37. Malkangiri: The Tri-junction under Maoist Fire, *IDSA Strategic Comments*, January 23, 2014.
38. Growing Maoist Activism in Assam: Sinister and Calculated Moves, *IDSA Strategic Comments*, February 24, 2012.
39. Political Cost of PM Bhattarai's India Visit, *IDSA Strategic Comments*, October 31, 2011.
40. West Bengal: Elections and the Maoists, *South Asia Intelligence Review*, SATP.org, March 21, 2011.
41. Will the 'New' left government resolve the political impasse in Nepal? *IDSA Strategic Comments*, February 16, 2011.
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50. Orissa: Industrial Zones Vs Naxalite 'Liberated Zones'- Part-I &II, Society for the Study of Peace and Conflict, Article no. 153, June 21, 2008.
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53. Will Madhesi problem spoil Nepal's Peace Process? South Asia Monitor, February 2008.
54. Orissa: Naxalite Mayhem in Coastal district, IDSAs Strategic Comments, February 25, 2008.
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58. Nepal's Ceasefire Under Stress, IDSAs Strategic Comments, September 05, 2006.
59. Maoist Consolidation Intensifies in Orissa, Society for the Study of Peace and Conflict, Article No:70, May 16, 2006
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3. Infiltration into J&K: Information Chaos, *Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies*, Article no. 990, March 15, 2003.
4. MDF: A Whirlwind in Formation, *Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies*, Article no. 977, March 5, 2003.
5. Organised Crime and India's Extradition Treaty, *Peace and Conflict*, Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies, Vol. 6 (3), 2003.
6. Narco-trafficking: Non-military threat in India's Eastern Border, *Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies*, Article no. 1079, July 8, 2003.
7. Drug Trafficking in Punjab: An ISI Game Plan to Revive Militancy, *Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies*, Article no. 1066, June 24, 2003.

Book Review

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3. ***Maoism in India: Reincarnation of ultra-left wing extremism in the twenty-first century***, by Prof. Bidyut Chakrabarty and Dr Rajat Kumar Kujur, Routledge: Oxon, 2010.
4. ***New Nepal: The Fault Lines*** by Nischal Nath Pandey, Sage: New Delhi, 2010.
5. ***The Crimson's Agenda: Maoist Protest and Terror***, by Ranjit Kumar Gupta, *Society for the Study of Peace and Conflict*, 2005.

List of Seminars and Conferences (attended on invitation)**International**

1. International Conference on Revitalising the Legacy of Manaskhand Civilisation and Culture, by *Far Western University*, Nepal, and *Antar Rashtriya Sahayog Parishad*, New Delhi, 15-17 April 2023.
2. International Symposium on Nepal and the World Order, *Neeti Anusadhan Pratishthan* (NeNAP), Nepal Kathmandu, 26-28 August 2022.
3. India-Nepal Development Partnership: Economic Challenges and Opportunities, ICWA, New Delhi, 27 July 2022.
4. 12th South Asia Conference, MP-IDSA, 28 January 2020.
5. Changing Dynamics of China's Engagement with Nepal, organised by Neeti Anusadhan Pratishthan (NeNAP), Kathmandu, Nepal, 24 June, 2020.
6. Global Renewable Energy Trends: Present and the Future, Organised by the University of Delhi, 25 October 2020.
7. KAS-TERI Kumarakom Dialogue on Climate Change and Security, Kumarakom, Kerala, 20-22 February, 2020.
8. India-Nepal present times, Institute of Social and Cultural Studies (ISCS), Kolkata, 10 June 2020.
9. September 14-16, 2019: Presented a paper on "Foreign Policy of Nepal in the new context" in a symposium in Kathmandu, organised by Neeti Anusadhan Pratishthan, Nepal.
10. Presented paper in India-Nepal Think Tank Summit on July 31, 2018, in Kathmandu. The summit is organised by AIDIA, Embassy of India, Kathmandu and the Nehru Memorial Museum Library (NMML), New Delhi.
11. I was invited as a panelist to the first session of "Nepal Infrastructure Summit 2017" held on 19-20 February 2017 at Soaltee Crown Plaza, Kathmandu, Nepal.
12. I was invited to make a presentation in an International seminar on "Indo-Nepal Relations: Defence & Security Issues organised by the Indian Council for International Co-operation, New Delhi, in Dehradun from April 11-12, 2017. I presented the paper on "Is India-Nepal military cooperation prepared to mitigate common challenges in the region"?
13. Participated as discussant in a two-day international conference on "Indo-Nepal Relations: Socio-Cultural and Civilizational Linkages" organised by Antar-

- Rashtriya Sahayog Parishad, Bharat, and Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) in Delhi from February 6-7, 2017.
14. Paper presented on “Trans-Himalayan Cooperation: An Indian Perspective”, in a regional seminar on *Trans-Himalayan Cooperation Beyond Trilateral Discourses*, in November 2016, Kathmandu.
 15. Presented a paper at a round table meeting on “Post Constitution Nepal-India Relation: Opportunities and Challenges”, in Kathmandu on December 10, 2015. The programme was organised by the Asian Institute of Diplomacy and International Affairs.
 16. Paper presented on “Rohingya Refugees in India: Challenges and Resolutions,” in the international conference on *Refugees and IDPs in South Asia*, Kathmandu, May 2015.
 17. Paper presented on “From Barter to Dollar: Revival of SSR in Central Himalayas and its implications” in an international seminar organised by Doon Library and Research Centre, on *Unfolding Central Himalaya: The Cradle of Culture* on December 11-14, 2105.
 18. Presented paper on “Nepal-India relations in post Modi visit period,” in International Conference organised by Centre for South Asian Studies, School of International Studies (SIS), JNU, on *India and Its Neighbours: Policy Priorities for the New Government* in March 2015 at JNU, New Delhi.
 19. Presented a paper on “Maoist movement in India: Readjusting to ‘Operation Green Hunt’? at the International Conference organised jointly by VIF-ITS on “Contemporary India – Europe Relations: Prospects and Issues” at VIF, Delhi, in February 2015. **(Web Publication)**
 20. Participated in a workshop organized by the BP Koirala India-Nepal Foundation (BPKF) and Martin Chautari (MC) of Kathmandu on ‘Fostering Academic and Policy Research Collaboration between India and Nepal and Related Activities’ in January 2015 in Kathmandu.
 21. Presented Paper on “India and SAARC: From a reluctant member to active partner,” at International Conference organized by Consortium of South Asian Think Tanks COSATT) on *Expectation from 18th SAARC summit* in Kathmandu in November 2014.
 22. Participated as discussant to the International Conference organized by the Centre for Chinese and South East Asian Studies, JNU in collaboration with HNB Garhwal University on *India-China-Nepal: Redefining Historical Relations in Contemporary Times* in October 2014, New Delhi.
 23. Presented a paper on “India-Nepal Relations and 1950 Treaty” at the ICWA and NCWA bilateral Institutional Programme in Kathmandu in August 2014. I was part of the ICWA delegation.
 24. Presented paper on "External Factors in India-Nepal Relations" in the International Conference organized by Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies (MAKAIAS) on “Indo-Nepal Relations" in February 2013 in Kolkata.
 25. Presented a paper on “Economic development in Nepal: cooperation on hydro power sharing with India” at an International Conference organised by Hanns

- Seidel Foundation (HSF), Germany, on “Water Governance and Cooperation in South Asia” in Kathmandu in October 2013.
26. Presented Paper on “Does South Asia Need a Cooperative Security Architecture?” in the 5th South Asia Conference, IDSA, on Cooperative Security Framework for South Asia, from November 15-16, 2011. **(Joint paper)**
 27. Presented Paper on “Open Border Security Challenges for India”, in a seminar on “60th Years of 1950 Treaty of Peace and Friendship”, organised by NCCS in collaboration with the Embassy of India, Kathmandu, Nepal, from September 11-13, 2010.
 28. Presented a paper on “International Dimension of the Conflict in Nepal”, in an International seminar on “Conflict in Nepal: Internal and External Dimensions” at Banaras Hindu University from May 4th to 5th June 2010.

National

1. India’s Development Partnership: Expanding Vistas, ICWA's National Seminar, New Delhi, 15-16 June 2022.
2. Current Political Situation in Nepal, organised by ICWA, New Delhi, 25 March 2021.
3. Mission Purvodaya and India’s eastern neighbours, organised by the Institute of Social and Cultural Studies (ISCS), Kolkata, 18 December 2021.
4. Indo-Nepal relations, organised by Department of Political Science, DAV PG College, Varanasi, UP, May 30-31, 2020.
5. Nepal’s New Map and India-Nepal Relations: Are the Faultlines Deepening? Organised by NIAS, Bangalore, 30 June 2020.
6. Delivered a lecture in a one-day symposium on “Geo-Strategic importance of the Himalayan region and its historical significance on 12 October, 2019, in the Department of History, Faculty of Arts, The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Vadodara. My Paper name was “Changing Dynamics in the Himalayan Region”.
7. Presented a paper on Indo-Nepal Relations at the Nepal Seminar in Lucknow, on June 26, 2019. That was organised by the Central Command, Indian Army.
8. Attended as speaker in ICWA-NCWA Dialogue on “India-Nepal Relations: Political, Economic and cultural Cooperation” at Sapru House on 5 February 2019.
9. Presented paper on "Nepal: Changing Dynamics" in the Conference on Geopolitics of the Himalayan Region in Leh, Ladakh, from May 16-18, 2018.
10. I was invited to make a presentation on “China Factor in India-Nepal Ties” in a conference on "Changing Contours of India-Nepal Relations” held on 11 September, 2017 at the Institute of Social Sciences, New Delhi.
11. Delivered a lecture in the 2nd Refresher Course in Women’s Studies beginning from 9th October - 3rd November, 2017 at the UGC-HRDC, JNU.
12. Presented Paper on “India as a Blue Smart Power” in a national seminar on Geopolitics and Maritime Security in the Indian Ocean: An Indian Perspective on 19-20 February, 2016 at Port Blair.

13. Organised a roundtable on “Current Developments in Nepal” on April 10, 2015, at IDSA.
14. Presented a paper on “Maoist conflict in India” in a seminar organised by IPCS, New Delhi, on 16 March 2012.
15. Coordinator, 5th South Asia Conference, IDSA, on Cooperative Security Framework for South Asia, from November 15-16, 2011.
16. Delivered a lecture on “data collection techniques in conflict areas” in the Centre for the Study of Nepal, BH, from 3-9 August, 2011.
17. Coordinator of the BFS DIG Course -1 (Level-2) from September 20, 2010, in IDSA.
18. Presented a paper on “Major Power Involvement in Nepal: Implications for India”, in a national seminar on “India in South Asia: Opportunities and Challenges in a Globalising World” from March 5-6, 2010, in Jaipur, organised by the South Asian Centre, Rajasthan University.
19. Participated in a seminar on “Towards A New Era in Nepal” in Patna, Organized by the Public Diplomacy Division, *Ministry of External Affairs*, Government of India, February 2010.
20. Paper presented on “Naxal Violence, Unregulated Arms Proliferation and its Costs on India’s Development”, India International Centre, organised by *Control Arms Foundation*, New Delhi, February 16, 2010.
21. Presented a paper on “Democracy in ‘New Nepal’: Challenges and Opportunities”, in a national seminar on “Emerging Democracies in South Asia: Patterns, Challenges and Prospects” from March 13-14, 2009, in Jaipur, organised by the South Asian Centre, Rajasthan University.
22. Paper presented on “Naxal Violence, Unregulated Arms Proliferation and its Costs on India’s Development”, Parliament Club House, organised by *Control Arms Foundation*, New Delhi, December 2009.
23. Participated in a seminar on “India and Nepal: Partners for Democracy and Development”, in Varanasi, Public Diplomacy Division, *Ministry of External Affairs*, Government of India, September 2008.
24. Paper presented on “Emergence of Phenomena of industrialization and Maoist liberated zones”, India International Center, organized by *Control Arms Foundation*, New Delhi, 4 July 2008.

Member of Task Forces in IDSA

1. **Member of the task force on Framework for Scenario Building Exercise**, “India in South Asia: Future Environment and Regional Standing,” MP-IDSA, 2023.
2. **Task force on Water Security**: Contributed one chapter on the Indo-Nepal Water Treaty.
3. **Nepal Study Group**: I work as a coordinator and one of the members of the group. The group is headed by Ambassador K V Rajan.
4. **India-Nepal Relations: Likely Situation in 2030**, project report submitted to IDSA as part of the joint MEA-IDSA project on “India’s Neighbourhood Challenges in the Next Two Decades”.

Methodology/Refresher courses attended

1. Participated in a two-day workshop on “Using Quantitative Data in Conflict Research”. The programme was organised under IDSA-PRIO capacity building exercise from January 18-19, 2012.
2. Participated in a three-day workshop at IDSA on studying global trends. A team of experts from Development, Concepts and Doctrine (DCDC), United Kingdom conducted the programme starting 07 March 2011.
3. Participated in a 5-day writing workshop starting November 29 to December 3, 2010. The programme was organised by IDSA-PRIO, Oslo, Norway.
4. Participated in a seven-day Research Methodology class at IDSA conducted by Professor Sumit Ganguly and Professor Kanti Bajpai from November 16-23, 2010.

Field Trips

1. Undertook a 17-day visit to Nepal under MEA deputation to monitor the second CA elections in November 2013.
2. Undertook ten days field trip to Nepal from May 20-30, 2011.
3. Visited Nepal as part of the IDSA-Centre for South Asian Studies bilateral institutional cooperation, Kathmandu, in August 2010.
4. Undertook fifteen days field trip to Nepal from June 17-July 01, 2009.
5. Undertook a field trip to Nepal during the Constituent Assembly Elections in April 2008.
6. Undertook a field trip to the Naxalite-affected districts of Tamil Nadu in September 2007.
7. Undertook a field trip to the Naxalite-affected districts of Chhattisgarh in April 2007.
8. Undertook a field trip to the Naxalite-affected districts of Southern Orissa in March 2004.

Personal Details:

Father's Name	:	Mr Dhaneswar Nayak.
Sex	:	Male
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Nationality	:	Indian
Hobbies	:	Gardening
Language Proficiency	:	English, Hindi, Nepali and Oriya