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AREAS OF INTEREST

Negotiation theory and conflict resolution; historical and contemporary dynamics of the Sino-Tibetan conflict; comparison of India-China minority policies; Sino-Tibetan talks; Tibet factor in India-China relations; sovereignty and its impact on sub-nationalities and ethnic minorities

CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

Indian and Chinese ethnic minority policies: Comparing and Contrasting the Indo-Naga and the Sino-Tibetan Cases; The Tibetan Question in India; ‘Internationalisation’ of the Tibet issue – Rationale, Origins and Outcomes; Dalai Lama’s centrality in the Tibetan question

EDUCATION

PhD in Chinese Studies, Center for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India (2014).

Thesis: *Applying Negotiation Theory to the Sino-Tibetan Talks, 1979-2006*

M.Phil. in Chinese Studies, Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India (2005).

Dissertation: *Issues of Sovereignty, Ethnicity and Nationality in the People’s Republic of China: A Case of Tibet*

MA in Politics with specialization in International Relations, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India (2003).

BA in English, Lady Shriram College, Delhi University, New Delhi, India (2001).

Diploma in Historiography and Research Methodology, Indian Council for Historical Research (ICHR), Delhi (2008).

Diploma in National Development Course, Fu Hsing Kang College, Taiwan (2007).

CURRENT & PAST POSITIONS

Associate Fellow (since April, 2015), Institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi.

Visiting Associate Fellow (July 2014-March, 2015), Institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi.

Programme Coordinator, Heinrich Boll Foundation, India Office, New Delhi (August 2008-February 2013) www.in.boell.org

Programme Coordinator/Assistant Fellow/Assistant Editor/Web Administrator, Indian Institute of Dalit Studies, New Delhi (September 2006-October 2007) www.dalitstudies.org.in

Research Officer, Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies (August 2004-February 2005) www.ipcs.org

Editor and Founder, *Tibetan World magazine* (April 2004-July 2005) www.tibetanworldmagazine.com

PUBLICATIONS

Editorships of Books and Journal Special Issues

Guest Editor, ‘**Democratization in Exile: The Case of Tibet**’, The Sixth Annual Dr. K. R. Narayanan Memorial Lecture Series, Dr. K. R. Narayanan Centre for Dalit and Minorities Studies, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, India, 30 November 2012.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles and Occasional Papers

‘**A Review of the Fourth ‘Forum on the Development of Tibet**’, *China Report*, (New Delhi, India), Vol. 50, No. 1 (Forthcoming).

‘**Chinese Preconditions and Tibetan Initiatives: Negotiating Narratives**’, *China Report*, (New Delhi, India), Vol. 44, No. 2, pp. 185-193 (2008).

Contributions to Edited Volumes

‘**The Chinese Communist Party in Tibet: Negotiating Dissent, Development and Dialogue**’, in C. V. Ranganathan and Sanjeev Kumar (eds), *The 18th National Congress of the Communist Party of China: A Major Turning Point for China* (New Delhi: Pentagon Press, 2013).

Articles

‘**Will he or Won’t he? Recent Sino-Tibetan Exchanges over the Dalai Lama’s Reincarnation**’, *ICS Analysis*, Institute of Chinese Studies (Forthcoming).

‘**Impasse Yet Again: Beijing’s Failure to Acknowledge the Dalai Lama’s Increasing Moderation**’, *ICS Analysis*, No. 18, October 2014.

‘Self-immolations, the Tibet Question and the Way Forward’, *ICS Analysis*, Institute of Chinese Studies, No. 7, March 2013.

‘Tibetan November: Come Rain or Shine?’, Article No. 2720, 6 November 2008, Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies, New Delhi, <http://ipcs.org/whatsNewArticle1.jsp?action=showView&kValue=2736&status=article&mod=3>

‘After the Storm: Status Quo of the Sino-Tibetan Talks and the Situation of the Tibetans in Exile’, 4 November 2008, *Briefing Paper*, Heinrich Boll Foundation, India.

with Prashant Negi, ‘The Arrow and the Olive Branch: Conceptualizing Social Exclusion in Tibet’, *World Focus*, Issue 340, April 2008.

‘Protests in Tibet and Political Posturing: The Problematique’, *World Focus*, Issue 340, April 2008.

‘The Protests in Tibet – What caused it?’, *Phayul*, 24 March, 2008, <http://www.phayul.com/news/article.aspx?id=20010&article=The+Protests+in+Tibet+%e2%80%93+What+caused+it%3f&t=1&c=4>

‘Sino-Tibetan Dialogue - A Mid-Term Appraisal’, *World Focus*, Issue 315, March 2006.

‘India-China Relations (Until Atal’s Visit): A Review’, *Tibetan World*, Vol. I, Issue 10, April 2005.

‘The 1989 Arms Embargo and China’, *Peace and Conflict*, Vol. 8, No. 1, January 2005: 8-9.

http://www.ipcs.org/China_east_asia_articles2.jsp?action=showView&kValue=1616&keyArticle=1009&issue=1009&status=article&mod=a

‘Reflections on the Dalai Lama’s Interview with *Time*’, *Peace and Conflict*, Vol. 7, No. 11, November 2004: 7-8.

http://www.ipcs.org/China_east_asia_articles2.jsp?action=showView&kValue=1549&keyArticle=1009&issue=1009&status=article&mod=a

‘Leadership Change in China - Nature and Implications’, *Peace and Conflict*, Vol. 7, No. 10, October 2004: 1-2.

http://www.ipcs.org/China_east_asia_articles2.jsp?action=showView&kValue=1525&keyArticle=1009&issue=1009&status=article&mod=a

‘Cross-Straits Dispute - The Watchword is Peace’, *Peace and Conflict*, Vol. 7, No. 10, October 2004: 4-5.

http://www.ipcs.org/China_east_asia_articles2.jsp?action=showView&kValue=1502&keyArticle=1009&issue=1009&status=article&mod=a

COMMENTARY

‘**Tibetan confidence in India has increased, but will Modi give in to China?**’, *Hindustan Times*, 19 September 2014, <http://www.hindustantimes.com/comment/analysis/tibetan-confidence-in-india-has-increased/article1-1266011.aspx#sthash.e0q0veD8.dpuf>

‘**Trespassers Please Excuse**’, *Hindustan Times*, New Delhi, 6 May 2008.

Book Reviews

of Lezlee Brown Halper and Stefan Halper, *Tibet: an Unfinished Story* (India: Hachette, 2014), in *The Book Review*, Vol. XXXVIII, No. 12, December 2014.

AWARDS/HONOURS

Best Researcher Award, Center for East Asian Studies, Chinese Division, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India, 9 August 2008, http://seasofjnu.blogspot.com/2008_08_01_archive.html

Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship, University Grants Commission, 2007-2008.

SELECT PRESENTATIONS

Panelist

‘**Leadership Transition in the People’s Republic of China: Impact on Tibet policy**’, organised by the JNU Tibet Forum, at the School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, 18 March 2013.

‘**Sustaining the Trilateral: Lessons from India-Afghanistan-Pakistan Dialogue**’, Inaugural Meeting of the China-India-Nepal Trilateral, Nepal Institute of International and Strategic Studies, Kathmandu, Nepal, 30 January 2013.

‘**The CPC’s Performance in China’s Minority Areas: Tibet**’, Indian Council for World Affairs (ICWA), Sapru House, New Delhi, India, 8-9 October 2012.

‘**The Sino-Tibetan Negotiations: There is More than What Meets the Eye**’, *Fourth All India Conference of China Studies*, University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh, India, 8-9 November 2011.

‘**Tibet Factor in India’s Relations with China: To Be or Not to Be**’, *Sixty Years of the People’s Republic of China*, Department of East Asian Studies, Delhi University and Institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi, India, 7 October 2009.

‘In a Post-Dalai Lama Situation: Contending Perspectives and Approaches’, (presented in absentia by Dr. Dibyesh Anand, Associate Professor, University of Westminster, UK), Westminster University, London, UK, 22 May 2009.

‘Issues of Sovereignty, Ethnicity and Nationality in the PRC and the Tibetan Question’, *Emerging East Asia: Contemporary Developments*, Centre for East Asian Studies, SIS, JNU, 13 August 2008.

Lectures

‘A Dynamic Model of the Sino-Tibetan Negotiation Process’, *ICS Wednesday Seminar*, Institute of Chinese Studies, Delhi, 9 August 2013.

Discussant

of **‘China in the neighbourhood: Strategic inferences for Northeast India’** by Dr Namrata Goswami, Institute of Defense Studies and Analysis (IDSA), New Delhi, 14 November 2014.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Trustee, Centre for Development Studies, Shimla (since September 2014).

Part of a three member delegation from India to Kathmandu to launch the initiative ‘China-India-Nepal Trilateral Cooperation’, hosted by the Nepal Institute of International and Strategic Studies in collaboration with the Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi, China Institute of International Studies, Beijing, Tibet Academy of Social Sciences, Lhasa and Centre for South Asia-West Cooperation and Development Studies Sichuan University, Sichuan, 30 January 2013. <http://www.ekantipur.com/the-kathmandu-post/2013/01/31/nation/nepal-india-china-cooperation-quest-for-trilateral-partnership-begins/244761.html>

Founding Member, Tibet Forum, JNU, 2008.

MEDIA APPEARANCES

in Print

Sina Nadine Tegeler, ‘Indian Democracy, Elections and Society’, 16 July 2009, <http://www.boell.de/weltweit/asien/asien-7194.html>

Interviewed by Britta Petersen for, ‘Tibeter fahnden nach neuer Strategie’, *Financial Times Deutschland*, 12 November 2008.

on TV

Panel Discussion on ‘100 years of Simla Agreement’, *A Page from History* anchored by Nilanjan Mukhopadhyay, Lok Sabha TV, 11 November 2013, 8 pm.

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

English, Hindi, Tibetan, Nepali, Nagamese