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1. OVERVIEW

Introduction to the Institute of Chinese Studies

The Institute of Chinese Studies (ICS) grew out of the China Study Group which was initiated in 1969 as an informal, interdisciplinary forum of scholars working on China at various universities and research institutes of Delhi. The Group conducted fortnightly discussions on contemporary topics, and helped sustain China Report, the only Indian journal on China and East Asia. In 1990, the China Study Group was reconstituted as the Institute of Chinese Studies (ICS), an interdisciplinary East Asian research programme of the Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, Delhi.

The main function of the ICS is to promote the systematic study of China and East Asia in India by initiating and supporting research programmes, both within the Institute and outside. It seeks to provide a forum for sustained scholarly exchange and interaction between Indian academics and scholars from China and other parts of the world, to build up resource materials and a data-base on China, to disseminate information and research findings to a wider public, as well as to train younger social scientists in East Asian Studies.

Over recent years, the ICS has received financial and other support for its activities from a number of sources, including the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India; the Indian Council of Social Science Research; the Ford Foundation, New Delhi; the Japan Foundation; the Sasakawa Peace Foundation, Japan; the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII); and the Tata Iron and Steel Corporation (TISCO). Recent years have also seen the consolidation of three new ICS programmes: the East Asia Programme, the Chinese Economy Research Programme, and the India-China Comparative Studies Programme, as well as the initiation of research focus on Vietnam and Korea.

ICS has been the nodal agency for the Bangladesh-China-India-Myanmar (BCIM) Forum for Economic Cooperation and the China-India-Russia Trilateral Academic Conference, as well as a foundation member of the Boao Forum for Asia (BFA), Hainan. The Institute also has MoUs with a number of institutions in China and elsewhere in Asia to promote academic cooperation and research activities.

*Three members of ICS Prof. Tan Chung,* (Emeritus Fellow,ICS) *Prof. Manoranjan Mohanty*(Chairperson,ICS) and *Prof. Sreemati Chakrabarty* (Director,ICS) received the China-India Friendship Award in December 2010 from the Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao for their contribution towards promoting India-China friendship.
2. NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES:

(c) Sixth Giri Deshingkar Memorial Lecture delivered by Prof. Richard Appelbaum, University of California at Santa Barbara USA. on February 16, 2011. (Topic: China’s Move to High Tech Innovation).

ICS Symposium/Workshops:

(a) A Workshop on Higher Education in East Asia, November 27, 2010, Venue: CSDS Seminar Room, Convenor: Prof. Sreemati Chakrabarti
(b) ‘Third China Studies Workshop’ in collaboration with Jadavpur University, Kolkata, December 20-21, 2010. Convenor: Prof. Sabaree Mitra
(c) The Annual East Asia Research Scholars’ Colloquium was organized on March 5, 2011, in which research scholars from all over India participated.

3. ICS PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

International Conferences:


- India-China-Russia Trilateral held in Moscow, September 20-22 2010. ICS represented by Prof. Manoranjan Mohanty.
# ICS also funded airfare expenses to Prof. Sabaree Mitra and Prof. Sreemati Chakrabarti to attend conferences in Beijing and Kathmandu.

## 4. ICS WEDNESDAY SEMINARS

The ICS programme of Wednesday Seminars continued through the period under review. *(See Appendix I)*.

Special lectures were delivered by Assamese author Reeta Chaudhury on November 24, 2010 and by Mr. Gautam Bambawale, Joint Secretary (East Asia), Ministry of External Affairs on January 7, 2011.

## 5. RESEARCH AND TRAINING

A number of young researchers were associated with ICS during the period under review as Summer Interns. The projects they worked on are given in parenthesis:

- Ms. Nirmola Sharma *(project on Kumarajiva)*
- Mr. Peter Joy Hudson *(Security Issues in East Asia)*

The projects were for six weeks each.

## 6. DISSEMINATION AND OUTREACH

ICS has continued to collaborate with various institutions in organizing some very significant events. In August 2010 a MoU has been signed with the India-China Cultural and Economic Council. Efforts are being made to sign new MoUs and revive some old ones with various institutions within India and outside.

### (1) Books by ICS Fellows and Associates

*Economic Diplomacy: India’s Experience* co-edited by Ambassador Kishan S. Rana and Bipul Chatterjee. (New Delhi, 2011)

*China and its Neighbours* co-edited by Srikanth Kondapalli and Emi Mifune. (New Delhi, 2010)

(2) **China Report**

The ICS journal, *China Report*, a refereed journal published by Sage Publications, continued in its 46th year of publication. It includes articles, comments, book reviews and documents, with a special focus on Sino-Indian relations. Of late scholars from China and other countries have shown a great deal of interest to write for China Report. The journal is edited by Dr. Alka Acharya, with Dr. Madhavi Thampi as Associate Editor, Prof. Sreemati Chakrabarti as Book Review Editor and Dr. Jabin Jacob as Assistant Editor. The Journal will have a new cover and a new editorial board very soon.

(3) **ICS Website**

ICS maintains a website ([www.icsin.org](http://www.icsin.org)) to carry ICS information and news regarding ICS activities. Efforts are being made to improve the appearance and usefulness of the Website.

7. **ICS LIBRARY AND DOCUMENTATION CENTRE**

The ICS has a small but select collection of books, in English, Chinese and Japanese, mostly on contemporary China and East Asia, and current and back numbers of some important journals on China and the region. ICS benefited from a generous gift of books and documents from Satish Saberwal (formerly of Jawaharlal Nehru University), and Patricia Uberoi (formerly of the Institute of Economic Growth), adding substantially to the existing Gordon White Collection, and the collections of former director Giri Deshingkar and Emeritus Fellows Tan Chung, Huang I-shu, and C.V. Ranganathan. The ‘Lines of Convergence’ Project of the East Asia Programme also enabled the acquisition of a substantial number of publications on East Asian history and society. A number of books were also acquired by purchase and gift.

8. **DISTINGUISHED VISITORS**

ICS was privileged to receive a number of distinguished visitors and delegations. These include:

1) A delegation from Ministry of Foreign Affairs, China led by H.E. Mr Wang Yingfang Senior Advisor, Foreign Advisory Group of the MFA, China on April 5, 2010. Other members of the delegation were: Mr. Zhou Gang, Ding Wen chao (Dept. of Policy Planning) and Mr. Zhuang Xinyan.

2) A Delegation from Australian National University led by Professor Geremie R. Barme School of Culture, History & Language College of Asia & the Pacific, Australian
National University and Professor Richard Rigby Executive Director The China Institute, Australian National University on November 08, 2010.

3) A Delegation from Advanced Institute for Contemporary China Studies, Baptist University Hong Kong, led by the Director, Prof. Victor SIT and the Chairman of China Fortune Foundation Limited (CFF), Mr. LEE Yu Leung on December 07, 2010.

4) A Delegation from Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences (SASS) led by Pan Shiwei, Professor and Secretary of the CPC Committee on December 20, 2010.

9. ICS FACULTY PUBLICATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

Bhoothalingam, Ravi.

Books /Articles:


Seminar / Workshop Presentations / Lectures:


“China 2020: A Confucian Democracy?” A Talk delivered at the Observer Research Foundation (ORF), Mumbai on July 20, 2010,


“Whither China: Prospects and Direction?” A paper presented at the Observer Research Foundation (ORF) Seminar on China: A Net Assessment on December 3, 2010 and accepted for publication by ORF.


Chakrabarti, Sreemati.

Awards:

Given India-China Friendship Award by Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao on December 15, 2010 during his visit to India.

Books / Articles:


Seminar / Workshop Presentations / Lectures /Interviews:


“Education in present-day China”, Presentation at the 3rd All-India China Studies Conference organized by the Institute of Chinese Studies in collaboration with Jadavpur University, December 20-21, Kolkata.

“Discourse on Democracy in China Today”, National Seminar on Democracy, organized by Kalindi College, University of Delhi, February 3-4, 2011

Interviewed by Lok Sabha TV, Star News, BBC, Times of India, Global Times(Beijing), Deutsche Welle Radio(Bonn) on China related affairs.

Kondapalli, Srikanth.

Awards/Positions:

Advisory Board member of Society for Indian Ocean Studies, Delhi

“Distinguished Fellow” of Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies, New Delhi from 2010
Recipient of K. Subramanyam Award for Excellence in Research in Security and Strategic Studies, 2010 by Indian Defence Minister AK Anthony at IDSA

Research Articles Published in Books:


Research Articles published in Journals:

“Premier Wen Jiabao’s Visit to India – Setting Terms for Engagement” Society for Indian Ocean Studies 2010
Articles in Discussion Forums:

“Multilateral Accord, Bilateral Discord” World Focus Issue No. 361 vol. 31 no. 9 September 2010 pp.366-71

Papers presented at Seminars:

“China’s Public Diplomacy” paper presented at ICS-ICWA seminar on Public Diplomacy at Sapru House Delhi on April 1, 2010

“China’s Grand Strategy” Paper presented at Institute of Chinese Studies seminar on “China’s Military: Implications for India” at India International Centre August 30, 2010


“China’s Military Capabilities” USI National Seminar on Rising China November 11, 2010.


Lectures Delivered:

Presentation on China’s Strategy and Military Modernisation at CAPS –Vadsar Air Force Station organised seminar June 2, 2010.


Presentation on Tibet Infrastructure at Centre for Land Warfare Studies July 22, 2010.

Presentation on “China: Economic Miracle, Pitfalls and Lessons for India” at Surya Foundation organised interaction at India International Centre August 25, 2010.


“China’s presence in Pakistan Occupied Kashmir” presentation at SP Mukherjee Foundation, IIC September 4, 2010.

“China’s Behaviour Perceptions” presentation at IDSA September 6, 2010.

Presentation on “China’s Nuclear Capability” at Centre for Air Power Studies organised national seminar at India International Centre, New Delhi September 29, 2010.


Talk on “India-China relations” for Iranian Diplomats at SIS, JNU November 9, 2010 “China’s Nuclear Capabilities” Army War College November 15, 2010.

Presentation on “Sino-US relations” at IPCS-Integrated Defence Staff organised event at IDSA November 24, 2010.

Discussant on China’s space programme and India at Observer Research Foundation January 21, 2011.

Lecture on “China’s Nuclear Doctrine” at Centre for Air Power Studies January 31, 2011


Brief presentation on China’s Response to the Popular unrest in West Asia and Africa at SIS, JNU February 23, 2011.

Two lectures on China’s Nuclear Strategy and Modernisation and links to Pakistan at IPCS organised seminar at Surajkund February 24, 2011.


Discussant on Tibetan Infrastructure at IDSA February 28, 2011.

Lecture on “China’s responses towards West Asia and North African popular movements” Academic Staff College, Jamia Millia University, Delhi March 7, 2011.


Presentation on “China Rise and Indian Perspectives” at College of International Affairs, National Chengchi University, Taipei March 31, 2010.
Commentaries & Reviews:

“India, China need to talk boldly” Rediff.com on April 5, 2010 at http://news.rediff.com/column/2010/apr/05/india-china-need-to-talk-boldly-says-srikanth-kondapalli.htm

“China’s Air Force: Beginning to be Counted” Salute To the Indian Soldier vol. 2 no. 10 (April 2010) pp. 21-23

“Enough Space in Asia” in India-China Ties: 60 Years, 60 Thoughts (Jinri Yindu) [India Today] (bilingual) (Beijing: Indian Embassy, April 2010) pp.80-81.


“China’s global clout” Defence & Security Alert vol. 2 issue 2 November 2010 pp.13-15


“Wen Gives India Little To Write Home About” Mail Today December 17, 2010 at http://epaper.mailtoday.in/


“Premier Wen’s Visit to Delhi” The Diplomatist Plus December 2010 at www.diplomatist.com
“Clear and present danger” Deccan Herald December 26, 2010 at http://www.deccanherald.com/content/123727/clear-present-danger.html


“Zhuai Air Show: Showcasing Power” Salute vol. 3 issue 8 February 2011 pp. 26-27 at www.salute.co.in


Narsimhan, Sushila.

Seminar / Workshop Presentations / Lectures /Interviews:

“A New Interpretation of China’s Hundred Days’ Reforms,” Paper presented in the Seminar, Hansraj College, University of Delhi, Delhi (March 17, 2011).


Rana, Kishan S.

Books / Articles:

Economic Diplomacy: India’s Experience co-edited by Ambassador Kishan S. Rana and Bipul Chatterjee. (New Delhi, 2011).

Conferences / Seminars / Presentations:


The International conference on “E-Diplomacy” Malta, June 2010;

The 38th meeting of the “International Forum on Diplomatic Training” Malta, September 2010.


Lectures Delivered:

Lectures at the China Foreign Affairs University, April 2010.

Public lecture on “India’s Foreign Policy: A Citizen Perspective”, Rajasthan University, Jaipur, October 5, 2010.

Thampi, Madhavi.

Books / Articles:


Talks/ Seminar / Workshop Presentations / Lectures:


Paper on “Raja Mahendra Pratap in Republican China”, at seminar on “India-China Interface” at Banaras Hindu University, 10-11 Jan, 2011.
Ubertoi, Patricia.

Books / Articles / Reports:

Research Articles Published in Books:


Articles:


Reports:


Talks & Lectures:

Understanding the Family in India and China. Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Chair Public Lecture, National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bangalore, 13 October 2010.

Verma, Virendra Sahai.

Awards / Appointments / Achievements:

Appointed as one of the Motivators by ‘Centre for Conflict Resolution & Human Security’ an initiative by senior bureaucrats to adopt different approach for resolution of national issues with major consideration for human security. Delhi.

Articles:

‘FUTURIBILI’ (in Italian) G Picco (ed.). A translated article in Italian on ‘The Role of Military in Peacemaking Process’ Milano 2007, received by author in March 2011.

Talks/ Seminar / Workshop Presentations / Lectures / Interviews:


‘Tibet Issue : Conflict and Resolution’ Paper Presented at Senior Citizen’s Forum Noida on 18 July 2010.


An interview in ‘Global Times’ (English) Beijing on 14 Feb 2011.

An interview given on 11 March 2011 to Ms Marguerite Luong, Analyst, China, International Assessment Staff, Privy Council Office, Govt of Canada, Ontario.
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ICS Wednesday Seminars
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15. **Dr. Rupnarayan Das**, Senior Fellow, IDSA: Sino-Indian Relations: Challenges and Opportunities. September 15, 2010.


24. **Mr. Gautam Bambawale**, Joint Secretary (East Asia), MEA, GOI: India-China Relations: Wen Jiabao Visit and Beyond January 07, 2011. **ICS Special Lecture, Chaired by Amb. Vinod C. Khanna.**

25. **Dr. Joel Andreas**, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Johns Hopkins University: The Cultural Revolution and the Origins of China’s New Class. January 12, 2011.


Annexure 2

ICS FACULTY AND STAFF

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Manoranjan Mohanty

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ICS Honorary Fellows

Alka Acharya:
Associate Professor, Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies Jawaharlal Nehru University,
China’s international relations; Foreign policy and political economy; Sino-Indian relations

Hemant Adlakha:
Associate Professor, School of Languages, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Chinese literature and culture

Sreemati Chakrabarti:
Professor, Department of East Asian Studies, University of Delhi, Chinese politics and education

R.R. Krishnan:
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Srikanth Kondapalli:
Professor, Centre for East Asian Studies, JNU, Defence and PLA

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Professor of Political Science, University of Delhi (rtd.), Chinese politics, Comparative development studies

Vijay Nambiar:
Formerly of the Indian Foreign Service and Deputy National Security Advisor, Government of India, India-China relations

Kishan S. Rana:
Indian Foreign Service (rtd): Comparative Asian diplomacy

K. Raghunath:
Formerly of the Indian Foreign Service, India-China relations,
Arvinder Singh: Fellow, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, 
*Chinese economy*

Brij Tankha: Professor in Modern Japanese History, Department of 
East Asian Studies, University of Delhi, *Japanese history, Japan and Asia, Contemporary Japan*

Madhavi Thampi: Reader, Department of East Asian Studies, University of Delhi, *Chinese history*

Patricia Uberoi: Professor in Social Change and Development, Institute of Economic Growth, Delhi (rtd), *Chinese society and culture; Family, kinship, gender*

ICS Emeritus Fellows

G.P. Deshpande: Professor, Centre for East Asian Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University (rtd.), and former Director, ICS *China's international relations*

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Vinod C. Khanna: Formerly of the Indian Foreign Service and former Director, ICS, *China's foreign relations*

C.V. Ranganathan: Formerly of the Indian Foreign Service and former Co-Chairperson, ICS, *India-China relations*

Tan Chung: Formerly Professor of Chinese, Jawaharlal Nehru University (rtd.) *Chinese history, culture and art; Sino-India studies*

ICS Visiting Fellows

Col. Navneet Kumar: Project on China’s Military Strategy

Poonam Surie: Project on Chinese Religion and Culture

Prof. Sushila Narasimhan, 
(Retired Professor) 
Delhi University: Project on China’s Disaster: Lessons for Japan.

*China Report*
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Programme Coordinator: Arvinder Singh

India-China Comparative Development Studies Programme
Programme Coordinators: Manoranjan Mohanty and Patricia Uberoi

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Arjun Asrani, Indian Foreign Service (rtd): Japan and East Asia

Ravi Bhoothalingam, Chief Executive, Manas Advisory, India-China collaboration in Tourism.

Ashwini Deshpande, Professor of Economics, Delhi School of Economics, Comparative India-China economic studies; social exclusion

Ranjit Gupta, Indian Foreign Service (rtd): China and Taiwan

Govind Kelkar, Programme Coordinator, UNIFEM, Women’s Studies, Environmental Studies, Tribal Studies.

Sriram Natarajan, JNU, Chinese Agricultural Economics

Jairam Ramesh, Economist and Minister of Environment and Forests: Chinese economy

M.V. Rappai, Ministry of Defence (rtd): People’s Liberation Army

Virendra Sahai Verma, Indian Army (rtd): Sino-Pak relations, Infrastructure Development in Tibet TAR

Anurag V. Mohanty, Free lance writer specializing on China Studies

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