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INDIAN COUNCIL OF WORLD AFFAIRS

ANNUAL REPORT, 2021-22

1. Introduction

During the year, ICWA continued with its mandated activities according priority to research and study of political, security and economic developments in Asia, North America, Europe, Central Asia, Russia, South Asia, Africa, the Indo-Pacific and Latin America & Caribbean. Global geo-strategic and geo-political developments were analyzed. The conclusions were disseminated in the form of Sapru House Papers, Policy Briefs, Special Reports, Issue Briefs and Viewpoints. These were published on the ICWA website. A large number of events, including dialogues, lectures, conferences and outreach activities were conducted. In line with the advice/recommendation of the Governing Body/Governing Council, ICWA also conducted select activities in Hindi and regional languages.

2. Constitution of the Council, including changes therein.

Shri Venkaiah Naidu, has been the President, ex officio, of the Council since his assumption of the office of Vice President of India on 11 August, 2017. Ambassador Vijay Thakur Singh has been the Director General, ICWA & Member-Secretary of the Council since 24 July, 2021.

3. Meetings of the Governing Council/Governing Body :

3.1 Meetings of the Governing Council

The 19th Meeting of the Council was held on 3rd July 2021.

3.2 Meetings of the Governing Body

The 20th Meeting of the Governing Body was held on 3rd July 2021.

4. Meetings of the Committees:

4.1 RESEARCH COMMITTEE

The 19th Research Committee Meeting was held on 1st April, 2021

4.2 PROGRAMMES COMMITTEE

The 30th Programmes Committee Meeting was held on 7th June, 2021

4.3 FINANCE COMMITTEE

The 27th Finance Committee Meeting was held on 23rd June, 2021

The membership of the various Committees mentioned above is at **Annexure – I**.

5. Grant-in-Aid by Ministry of External Affairs Rs.12.00 Crores

6. Note on Administrative Issues

Position, as on 31 March, 2022, regarding important administrative issues, is reflected below:-

(i) Staff Strength

ICWA has presently a total of 68 (sixty eight) personnel. The break-up is given below :-

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| i. | Director General on fixed tenure | 01 (one) |
| ii. | Deployed from MEA | 08 (eight) |
| iii. | Permanent Employees | 18 (eighteen) |
| iv. | Those on Contracts | 03 (three) |
| v. | Those Outsourced | 11 (eleven) |
| vi. | Research Faculty on contract | 27 (twenty seven) |

(ii) Officials from MEA

At present, there are eight MEA officials working in ICWA as per the details below:

- i) Shri Soumen Bagchi, Additional Secretary, (working in ICWA from 14.09.2018).
- ii) Smt. Nutan Kapoor Mahawar, Joint Secretary, (working in ICWA from 11.01.2019).
- iii) Shri Vaibhav A. Tandale, Deputy Secretary, (working in ICWA from 17.09.2021).
- iv) Shri Sagar Maitra, Under Secretary, (working in ICWA from 16.11.2020).
- v) Shri Harcharan Singh Sandhu, Sr. Accounts Officer, (worked in ICWA from 15.03.2016 to 14.03.2022).
- vi) Shri P. Jeya Pazham, Section Officer, (working in ICWA from 17.03.2022)
- vii) Ms. Pooja Sharma, Personal Assistant, (working in ICWA from 5.01.2021)
- viii) Ms. Navita Jyoti Kujur, Personal Assistant (working in ICWA from 14.08.2020)
- ix) Ms. V. Jayashree Gopal, Private Secretary (working in ICWA from 30.03.2021)

(iii) Renovation Project - Phase II :

Under the Renovation Project Phase-II, up-gradation of Library & Annex Building (Ground, First & Second floor) has been taken up and currently the work in progress.

The Renovation Project Part-III of Phase-II of Research Wing, ground floor and second floor is almost complete except minor rectification. The final work of Phase-II including

renovation of Library Reading hall is in progress. The work of this final part is expected to be completed by August 2022.

a. Maintenance Work

All maintenance/cleaning works are undertaken regularly.

b. Security

Security of the building is ensured through 6 (six) Security Guards provided by a private company. To ensure comprehensive security of the Sapru House premises, 1 baggage scanner, 3 DFMD gates and 101 CCTV cameras have been installed including 20 cameras installed in the Sapru House Library.

7. Status of Court Cases & RTI applications

COURT CASES :

There are four Court Cases pending as of March, 2022.

- i. The case relating to Shri H S Chadha concerning arrears of his emoluments is before the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi. He has submitted some additional documents in the Court pertaining to fixation of pay-scale. The case is now at final hearing stage.
- ii. A case has been filed in Tis Hazari Courts by Ms. Jyoti Sagar, daughter of a former employee of ICWA namely Shri Deepak Sagar, regarding her appointment in the Council on compassionate ground. The case is now at the stage of defence evidence.
- iii. One appeal is filed by ICWA in the Hon'ble High Court in respect of Shri Balwant Singh challenging the decision of Hon'ble CAT where only one case, out of the five cases of similar nature, was allowed and other four were dismissed by the CAT. This case was filed by the ex ICWA employees for the payment of Earned Leave Encashment.
- iv. The regular staff of ICWA has filed a case in Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) regarding their service matters.

RTI Applications :

The Council has received a total number of 21 RTI applications out of which 2 (two) applications were received in physical form and 19 (nineteen) applications were received through online portal during the financial year 2021-22. All the RTI applications, as mentioned above, have been suitably replied.

8. Publications

Various ICWA's publications were brought out regularly during the period as per details provided below:

i. ICWA's Journal 'India Quarterly' (English/Hindi) was brought out regularly during the period **01st April 2021- 31st March 2022.**

- a) India Quarterly (A Journal of International Affairs)
Vol-77 No.2, **June, 2021**
- b) India Quarterly (A Journal of International Affairs)
Vol-77 No.3, **September, 2021**
- c) India Quarterly (A Journal of International Affairs)
Vol-77 No.4, **December, 2021**

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ii. ICWA's Manuscripts published during the period **01st April 2021- 31st March 2022.**

| S.No | Title | Editor/Author | Year of Publication |
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| I Books (under ICWA Book Project) | | | |
| 01. | Sapru House A Story of Institution in World Affairs (An Institutional History of the ICWA) | Edited- Dr.T.C.A Raghavan Dr. Vivek Mishra | 2021 |
| 02. | A Bangladesh War Commentary: 1971 Radio Dispatches | Dr. U. L. Baruah | 2021 |
| 03. | India-Sri Lanka Relations: Is it Time for Reorientation of Policy? | Edited- Dr. S. Mallempati | 2021 |
| 04. | Enhancing India-Myanmar Toes: The Way Ahead | Edited- Dr. S. Mallempati | 2021 |
| 05. | Gilgit-Baltistan Under Pakistan's Occupation | Edited- Dr. Ashish Shukla | 2021 |
| 06. | India-Central Asia Relations: The Road Ahead | Edited- Dr. Athar Zafar | 2021 |
| 07. | India and Africa: The Road Ahead | Edited- Dr. Nivedita Ray | 2021 |
| 08. | External Dimensions of Security of The North East Region | Edited- Dr. Temjenmeren Ao | 2021 |
| 09. | 1982 UNCLOS: Perspectives from the Indian Ocean | Edited - Ms. Nutan Kapoor Mahawar Dr. Vijay Sakhuja | 2021 |

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| | | Dr. Pragya Pandey | |
| 10. | Twenty Years of Mekong-Ganga Cooperation (MGC) | Edited Dr. Prabir De | 2021 |
| 11. | India's Relations with the International Monetary Fund (25 Years in Perspective 1991-2016) | Authored by Shri. V. Srinivas Forw. By Dr. Y V Reddy Tamil | 2021 |
| 12. | Pakistan The Balochistan Conudrum | Shri Tilak Devasher Urdu | 2021 |
| 13. | Pakistan The Balochistan Conudrum | Shri Tilak Devasher Hindi | 2021 |
| 14. | Recent Developments in Afghanistan: ICWA Reflections | Edited- Dr. Nivedita Ray & Dr. Anwasha Ghosh | 2021 |
| 15. | Women and Power Gender within International Relations and Diplomacy" | Edited by Ms. Nutan Kapoor Mahawar & Dr. Ankita Dutta | 2022 |
| 16. | Between Survival and Status: The Counter-Hegemonic Geopolitics of Iran" | Authored by Dr. Deepika Saraswat | 2022 |
| 17. | Arab World in Transition and The Quest for a New Regional Order" | Authored by Dr. Fazzur Rahman Siddiqui | 2022 |
| 18. | Road, Wind, Spices in the Western Ocean: The Memory of Geopolitics of Maritime Heritage" | Edited by Ms. Nutan Kapoor Mahawar & Dr. Pragya Pandey | 2022 |
| 19. | GANDHI AND THE WORLD | Edited by Ms. Nutan Kapoor Mahawar & Dr. Dhruvajyoti Bhattacharjee | 2022 |
| 20. | The Harambee Factor: India-Africa Economic and Development Partnership" | Authored by Amb. Gurjit Singh | 2022 |
| 21. | Indian Diplomacy and Covid Response | ICWA | 2022 |
| II Sapru House Paper | | | |
| 01. | Evolving Geopolitics of the Western Indian Ocean: A Primer from India | Dr. Sankalp Gurjar and Dr. Ankita Dutta | 2021 |

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| 02. | The India-Myanmar- Thailand Trilateral Highway | Dr. Temjenmeren Ao | 2021 |
| 03. | Breaking the Ice: Russia and the United States in the Arctic” | Dr. Stuti Banerjee & Dr. Indrani Talukdar | 2021 |
| 04. | Global Current Account Imbalances since the 2008 Financial Crisis | Dr. S. Krishnakumar | 2022 |

List of Book Projects under process

1. Legitimacy of Power: The Permanence of Five in the Security Council - Authored by – Amb. Dilip Sinha (Malayalam)
2. Saudi Arabia in a Multipolar World - Authored by – Dr. Zakir Hussain (Urdu)
3. भारत-चीन सीमा मुद्दे :विवाद निपटान की तलाश- लेखक - राजदूत रंजीत सिंह काल्हा (हिन्दी)
4. Latin America, The Caribbean and India: Promise and Challenge -Authored by – Mr. Deepak Bhojwani (हिन्दी)
5. Indian Cultural Diplomacy: Celebrating Pluralism in a Globalised World - Authored by – Amb. Paramjit Sahai (हिन्दी)
6. The Arab Spring that was and wasn't Authored by – Amb. K.P. Fabian.
7. India-Afghanistan relations: History and foreign policy in the mirror - author Dr. Saroj Kumar Rath
8. भारत की बोद्धमूर्तिकला और अराकान (म्यांमार) पर उसका प्रभाव -लेखक - डॉ .विनय कुमार राव
9. भारत म्यांमार सीमा पर आधारभूत संरचनाओ का विकास एवं उर्जा सहयोग :कलादान परियोजना का अध्यन -लेखक – डॉ . दीपिका सिंह
10. Indian Diplomacy and Covid Response - MEA
11. India -Bangladesh Fifty Years of Friendship- Authored by – Dr. Samudra Gupta Kashyap
12. Advancing Reformed Multilateralism in the Changing World” Edited by – Ms. Nutan Kapoor Mahawar & Dr. Deepika Saraswat
13. India and Africa Looking Ahead Contemporary Realities and Emerging Prospects - Edited by Dr. Nivedita Ray & Dr. Sankalp Gujar

9. Library

Functioning since 1955 at its present premises, the ICWA Library (popularly known as Sapru House Library) has emerged as a premier resource centre for Indian and foreign scholars over the past seven decades. It houses a rich collection on international relations, international law, international economy, foreign policy, political history and social sciences. It functions as a research library with a stock of about 1,56,662 documents including books (thousands of these are rare), bound volumes of journals, maps, special collections of UN documents and EU documents. The Library is automated with a database of entire holdings operated through the in-house library management software. The inventory is searchable through Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC) within the library premises and also from outside through Web OPAC.

Thousands of rare books, old editions of newspapers, especially the Hindu, for the period 1933 to 2004 are also available, which have frequently been referred by researchers and experts in

the field of world affairs in India and abroad. The entire collection of the ICWA journal – India Quarterly is also accessible in digitized form at the library. The documents of the first Asian Relations Conference held in March 1947 are also available. A Cyber Library is available in the reading hall with in-house access to the digital contents, online journals' databases, Delnet's bibliographical data resources of member libraries and internet browsing facility. The Library has arrangements with other libraries to facilitate consultation of their resources for ICWA scholars on the basis of their ID cards issued by the Council.

The Library is open for parliamentarians, legislators, academics, diplomats, historians, civil servants, journalists, students, subject experts as well as general public. Valid ID and residential address proof is required to be submitted with application form duly filled in by the user to be enrolled as member of the Library. Library membership has been made free for students and other members of the civil society. The ICWA Library has introduced RFID Membership Smart Card, free of cost to its members.

In order to facilitate the research activities and meeting requirements of scholars in the niche areas of foreign policy, new books of topical importance were added to the library collection. Special attention is also being given to procure more books on international affairs in Hindi for the convenience of our Hindi scholars.

Appropriate actions are being undertaken to foster a user-friendly and efficient environment including upgradation of digital room. We are also exploring the possibilities to collaborate with other libraries to establish better resource sharing for our users. The library is going through a major renovation work to make it more user-friendly with better reading environment which is expected to be completed by August 2022.

Library Statistics at a Glance: (as on 31.03.2022)

Collections

- Books: **117,236**
Books Added: 1623 (during the year 2021-22: English-1517, Hindi-106)
- Bound Volumes of Journals/Serials: **39426**
Journals Added: 415 (during the year 2021-22)
- **Total Collection: 1,56,662**

Library Members/ Visitors (during the year 2021-22)

- No. of Library Members: **162**
- No. of Library Visitors: **2312**

Periodicals/Database Subscriptions (during the year 2021-2022)

- Journals: **51**
- Newspapers: **11**
- DELNET Online
- JSTOR
- Political Science Complete
- Project Muse (Social Science Collection)

10. Conference/Lectures/Seminars

From 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022, the Indian Council of World Affairs organized 50 events which are detailed below:

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| Lectures/Talks | - | 03 |
| Seminars/Conferences/ Panel Discussions/Background briefings | - | 21 |
| Book Launch/Release/Discussion function | - | 11 |
| Bilateral/ Strategic dialogue | - | 10 |
| Outreach Programmes with Universities and think tanks & research institutions within India | | <u>05</u> |
| | Total | 50 |

Some of the important Lectures/ Talks held:

- a) 38th Sapru House Lecture on “*Presidency of Hope - 76th UNGA: COVID Pandemic and Need for Reformed Multilateralism*” by H.E. Mr. Abdulla Shahid, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Maldives and President-Elect of the 76th United Nations General Assembly (UNGA), 23 July 2021
- b) Special Lecture by H.E. Mr. Nikola Selaković, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia on “*India-Serbia Relations: State of Play and Future Potential*”, 20 September 2021

Some of the important Seminars/ Conference/ Panel Discussions/Background briefings held:

- a) ICWA-USI International Conference on Gallipoli “*Gallipoli Revisited*” at Video Platform, 22-23 April 2021
- b) 16th Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Forum Meeting at Video Platform, 25 May 2021
- c) ICWA-USI: UN Webinar, on “*UN Peace Operations: Hostage-taking of Peacekeepers*”, at Video Platform, 29 June 2021
- d) ICWA-USI Webinar on Peacekeeping on “*Effectiveness of UN Peace Operations: Dynamics of composition of troops and diversity on UN peace operations*” at Video Platform, 25 August 2021
- e) National Consultations on “*Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative (IPOI)*” at Video Platform, 3 September 2021
- f) Webinar on “*Afghanistan: The Way Forward*” at Video Platform, 20 October 2021

- g) ICWA-USI Webinar on Peacekeeping on “*UN Peace Operations: Protection of Civilians*” at Video Platform, 22 October 2021
- h) Online Conference on “SCO & India: The Trajectory Ahead” at Video Platform, 29 October 2021
- i) ICWA- *Guru Nanak Dev University (GNDU)* Webinar on “*China’s Position on Afghanistan: Regional Perspectives*” at Video Platform, 15 November 2021
- j) “*Maitri Diwas: 50th Anniversary of India – Bangladesh Diplomatic Relations*” at Sapru House, New Delhi, 06 December 2021
- k) 8th Indian Ocean Dialogue (IOD-8) ‘*Post Pandemic India Ocean: Leveraging Digital Technologies for Health, Education, Development and Trade in IORA Member States*’ jointly organised by MEA-ICWA, at Video Platform, 15 December 2021
- l) “Celebration of 5th Anniversary of India-Vietnam Comprehensive Strategic Partnership 2016-2021 and Announcement of Celebration of 50th Anniversary of Diplomatic Relations Between India and Vietnam 1972-2022” at Sapru House, New Delhi, 17 December 2021
- m) ICWA-USI Webinar on Peacekeeping on “*UN Peace Operations: Women, Peace and Security*” at Video Platform, 09 February 2022
- n) Ambassadors’ Round Table Discussion on ‘*Relations between India and SICA Countries*’ at Sapru House, New Delhi, 10 March, 2022

Important Book Launch/Release/Discussion functions held:

- a) Online Book Launch and Discussion
“*Constitutional Development of Nepal*”
[An ICWA publication, authored by Dr. Rakesh Kumar Meena, Asstt. Professor, DAVPG College, BHU, Varanasi] at Video Platform, 7 April 2021
- b) Book Launch/Discussion of an ICWA publication entitled
“*Status of European Integration : Possible Trajectory*”
[authored by Prof. Purusottam Bhattacharya], *Organized jointly with Jadavpur University, Kolkata* at Video Platform, 9 April 2021
- c) ICWA- Netaji Institute for Asian Studies (NIAS) Combined online Book Launch & Discussion of Four Recent NIAS Publications, at Video Platform, 2 July 2021
- d) Launch of the Book “*A Bangladesh War Commentary*” authored by U.L. Baruah [An ICWA's Publication] at Video Platform/Sapru House, 7 September 2021

- e) Online Book Discussion on “*Rising to the China Challenge: Winning through Strategic Patience and Economic Growth*” by Gautam Bambawale, Vijay Kelkar, Raghunath Mashelkar, Ganesh Natarajan, Ajit Ranade, Ajay Shah at Video Platform, 23 November, 2021
- f) Online Book Launch & Panel Discussion on the Book ‘*Arab World in Transition and the Quest for a New Regional Order*’ [An ICWA publication, authored by Dr. Fazzur Rahman Siddiqui, Senior Research Fellow, ICWA] at Video Platform, 02 March, 2022

Some of the important Bilateral and Strategic Dialogues held:

- a) Seventh ICWA-CPIFA Dialogue [*in collaboration with the Chinese People’s Institute of Foreign Affairs (CPIFA)*], at Video Platform, 15 April 2021
- b) 26th Meeting of the Indian Ocean Rim Academic Group (IORAG) - Hosted by UAE & Chaired by India – at Video Platform, 6 October 2021
- c) First India-Korea 2+2 Bilateral Dialogue, at Video Platform, 27 October 2021
- d) Second ICWA- The Wilson Centre, Washington D.C. Closed Door Briefing under Chatham House rules on ‘*Russia-China Relations*’ at Video Platform, 10 November 2021
- e) 8th ICWA- Polish Institute of International Affairs (PISM), Warsaw Strategic Dialogue, at Video Platform, 24 November 2021
- f) Third India-Uzbekistan Think-Tanks Forum at Video Platform, 19 January 2022
- g) ICWA-RIAC Dialogue on “*Strategic Visions of India-Russia Relations and Changes in the World Order*” at Video Platform, 28 January, 2022
- h) Third Indo-German Track 1.5 Dialogue at Video Platform, 24 February 2022
- i) First India-U.K. Strategic Futures Forum (IUSSF) at Video Platform/ ITC Maurya Hotel, 30-31 March 2022

A complete list of the events organized by the ICWA during the period is attached at [Annexure-II]

Outreach Programmes with Universities and think tanks & research institutions within India:

- a) Two days International Webinar on “*Indo-Pacific Construct: A New Regional order and Implications*” organized by Centre for Southeast Asian & Pacific Studies, Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati, A.P., at Video Platform, 21-22 June 2021
- b) Two days National Seminar on “*China and South Asia & South East-Asia: Implications for India*” organized by School of Social Science, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar at Punjab, 27-28 August 2021

- c) Two days National Seminar on *India's Interconnection with West Asian Countries: Historical Understanding of Socio-Economic Relations and Future Prospects* organized by Center for West Asian Studies (CWAS), Jamia Millia Islamia, Maulana Mohammed Ali Jauhar Marg, New Delhi at New Delhi, 18-19 September 2021
- d) Three days International Conference (virtual and physical) on *"Transnational Terrorism in 21st Century and Global Counter-terrorism Responses"* Organized by Usanas Foundation, Udaipur in collaboration with Jai Narain Vyas University, Jodhpur and Maharshi Dayanand Saraswati University, Ajmer at Rajasthan, 10-12 January 2022
- e) National Seminar on *"India-China Relations: Challenges & Opportunities"* Organized in HINDI by Buddh Vidhyapeeth Degree College, Siddharthnagar, Uttar Pradesh at Uttar Pradesh, 24-25 February, 2022

MOUs Signed:

ICWA has signed two international MOUs during the financial year 2021-22. The first MoU is with Al- Ahram Center for Political and Strategic Studies (ACPSS), Cairo, Egypt on September 23, 2021; the second one is with Pontifical Catholic University of Peru October 22, 2021.

11. Awards: Nil

12. Research and Analysis :-

The current strength of the Research Faculty is as follows:

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| a) | Director (Research) | 01 |
| b) | Research Fellows | 22 |
| c) | Research Interns | 04 |

During the period under review, the ICWA Fellows undertook study and research on subjects of all major political, security, and economic trends and developments in foreign policy and in international affairs. The research outputs were published in the form of Issue Briefs, View Points, Special Reports, and Sapru House Papers. During the period from 1 April 2021 -30 March 2022 the Council published 156 web articles written by Research Faculty which include 83 Issue Briefs, 67 View Points, 03 Special reports and 03 Sapru House Paper. The Research faculty also published various articles in the media and other academic journals. These publications are exhibited at the Council's website and social media platforms.

In order to reach out to a wider audience, ICWA continued to publish translated versions of its academic articles in Hindi. In pursuit of this objective, all Viewpoints, Issue Briefs, Sapru House papers, Special Reports were translated into Hindi and uploaded on the Hindi version of the ICWA website.

Several special papers were commissioned by the Council, which include the following. Philippines and the South China Sea by Amb. Yogendra Kumar; Normalization of Ties between Morocco and Israel: Its Genesis and Implication by Amb. Kheya Bhattacharya; Signing of the UN Charter, 26 June 1945' by Amb. Asoke Mukerji, Former Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations; Multilateralism, the Global Economy and the Rise of the G20, by Prof. Alok Sheel.

Special Research Projects were undertaken by the Council with focus on issues of relevance to multilateral institution such as IORA and on the Indo- Pacific and the Indo –Pacific Oceans Initiative of India issue through in –house policy research, commissioned papers and consultations. As Indian Ocean Academic Research Group (IORAG) Chair the Council presented a comprehensive report of its activities for 2 years, handing over the chairmanship of IORAG to South Africa. The Council’s UNSC academic project provided policy inputs in support of India’s responsibilities arising from its UNSC tenure 2021-22 through commissioned papers. The Council’s SCO unit commissioned special papers in preparation of India’s Chairmanship of SCO from September 2022-2023. The Council worked with NIAS, Bangalore on Pakistan and with CPPR, Cochin on maritime issues.

The Council undertook Research Projects on Nepal tasked by the MEA, and also one Research project tasked by Ministry of Defence on India- Latin America Defence Cooperation.

13. Report on matters referred to the Council by the Central Government or Governing Body. Nil.

14. Council for Security and Co-operation in the Asia-Pacific (CSCAP) - India activities:

The ICWA is the designated Secretariat of CSCAP-India Committee, the composition of which is attached. (**Annexure – III**). CSCAP events organized from April, 2021 to March, 2022 are as follows:

- i) 54th Steering Committee Meeting of the Council for Security Cooperation in the Asia Pacific (CSCAP) held on 30 June 2021 in virtual format.
- ii) First meeting of CSCAP Study Group on Woman Peace and Security held on June 10-11, 2021 in virtual format.
- iii) Second meeting of CSCAP Study Group on Woman, Peace and Security held on September 23-24, 2021 in virtual format.
- iv) Meeting of CSCAP study Group on Non Proliferation and Disarmament held on September 21-22, 2021 in virtual format.
- v) Meeting of CSCAP Nuclear Energy Experts Group (NEEG) on September 28 -29, 2021 in virtual format.
- vi) Meeting of CSCAP Study Group on Northeast Asia Peace & Cooperation on November 11-12, 2021 in virtual format.
- vii) CSCAP 55th Steering Committee Meeting on December 02, 2021 in virtual format.



(Soumen Bagchi)
Deputy Director General
04 July, 2022

**INDIAN COUNCIL OF WORLD AFFAIRS
Sapru House, New Delhi**

ICWA Committee

Finance Committee

1. Ms. Preeti Saran, Chairperson
2. Director General, ICWA, ex-officio
3. AS & FA, MEA,
4. JS (PP&R), MEA
5. Deputy Director General, ICWA

Programmes Committee

1. Dr. Sanjaya Baru, Chairman
2. Director General, ICWA, ex-officio
3. AS & FA, MEA
4. JS (PP&R), MEA
5. Director General, ICCR, New Delhi
6. Prof. Sabyasachi Basu Ray Chaudhury, VC, Rabindra Bharati University
7. Prof. Sanjay Chaturvedi, South Asian University

Research Committee

1. Dr. Gurmeet Singh, VC, Pondicherry University, Chairman
2. Director General, ICWA, ex-officio
3. JS (PP&R), MEA
4. Prof. Srikanth Kondapalli, Professor, JNU
5. Prof. G. Jayachandra Reddy, Director, UGC Centre for Southeast Asian & Pacific Studies, Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati
6. Shri Dilip Chenoy, Former Secretary General, FICCI
7. Prof. Suba Chandran, NIAS, Bangalore

Annexure-II

List of events organized by the ICWA from 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022

April 2021

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| 1. | 6 April 2021 | Virtual Interaction with Afghan Visiting Scholars at the Rashtriya Raksha University, Gujrat Venue: VC (Zoom) |
| 2. | 7 April 2021 | Online Book Launch and Discussion “Constitutional Development of Nepal” [An ICWA publication, authored by Dr. Rakesh Kumar Meena, Asstt. Professor, DAVPG College, BHU, Varanasi] Venue: VC |
| 3. | 9 April 2021 | Book Launch/Discussion of an ICWA publication entitled “Status of European Integration : Possible Trajectory” [authored by Prof. Purusottam Bhattacharya] <i>[Organized jointly with Jadavpur University, Kolkata]</i> Venue: VC |
| 4. | 15 April 2021 | Seventh ICWA-CPIFA Dialogue New Delhi-Beijing <i>[in collaboration with the Chinese People’s Institute of Foreign Affairs (CPIFA)]</i> Venue: VC |
| 5. | 22-23 April 2021 | ICWA-USI International Conference on Gallipoli “Gallipoli Revisited” <u>Keynote Address by:</u> Dr. S. Jaishankar, Hon’ble External Affairs Minister Venue: VC |

May 2021

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| 6. | 25 May 2021 | 16th Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Forum Meeting Venue: VC |
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June 2021

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| 7. | 21-22 June 2021 | <p>Two days International Webinar on <i>“Indo-Pacific Construct: A New Regional order and Implications”</i></p> <p>Outreach programme financially supported by ICWA:</p> <p>organized by Centre for Southeast Asian & Pacific Studies, Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati, A.P.</p> <p>Venue: Tirupati, A.P. – Virtual Conference</p> |
| 8. | 29 June 2021 | <p>Second in the series of six ICWA-USI: UN Webinars, on <i>“UN Peace Operations: Hostage-taking of Peacekeepers”</i></p> <p><i>[in collaboration with the United Service Institution of India (USI)]</i></p> <p>Venue: VC</p> |
| 9. | 30 June 2021 | <p>Online Book Discussion</p> <p><i>“Forgotten Kashmir - The Other Side of the Line of Control”</i></p> <p>by Ambassador Dinkar P. Srivastava</p> <p>Venue: VC</p> |

July 2021

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| 10. | 2 July 2021 | <p>ICWA- Netaji Institute for Asian Studies (NIAS) Combined online Book Launch & Discussion of Four Recent NIAS Publications</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) <i>India and the United Nations General Assembly Volume I: 1945-1970 & Volume II: 1971-2018</i> Authors: Suranjan Das, Sitaram Sharma, Vivek Mishra 2) <i>Then and Now - India’s Relations with Indonesia: A Historical Overview:</i> Authors: Suranjan Das & Subhadeep Bhattacharya 3) <i>The Regional Great Game in the Indian Ocean and India’s Evolving Maritime Strategy</i> Editors: Vivek Mishra & Sarvani Gooptu 4) <i>Indo-Vietnam Relations in The Emerging Global Order</i> Authors: Suranjan Das, Tridib Chakraborti and Subhadeep Bhattacharya <p><i>[in collaboration with the Netaji Institute for Asian Studies (NIAS), Kolkata]</i></p> <p>Venue: VC</p> |
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| 11. | 07 July 2021 | Online Book Discussion <i>“The Indian Civil Service and Indian Foreign Policy, 1923-1961”</i> by Dr. Amit Das Gupta Venue: VC |
| 12. | 23 July 2021 | 38th Sapru House Lecture on “<i>Presidency of Hope - 76th UNGA: COVID Pandemic and Need for Reformed Multilateralism</i>” by H.E. Mr. Abdulla Shahid, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Maldives and President-Elect of the 76 th United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) Venue: VC/Sapru House (lecture hall) |

August 2021

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| 13. | 18 August 2021 | ICWA-CPPR One Day Virtual Conference on “<i>Strategic Futures: Regional Maritime Security Complexes (Western Pacific Rim; Indian Ocean – Southern Ocean; and the Arabian Sea Littoral)</i>” [in collaboration with the Center for Public Policy Research (CPPR), Kochi – ICWA’s MoU partner] Venue: VC |
| 14. | 25 August 2021 | Third in the series of ICWA-USI Webinars on Peacekeeping on <i>“Effectiveness of UN Peace Operations: Dynamics of composition of troops and diversity on UN peace operations”</i> [in collaboration with the United Service Institution of India (USI)] Venue: VC |
| 15. | 27-28 August 2021 | Two days National Seminar on <i>“China and South Asia & South East-Asia: Implications for India”</i> Outreach programme financially supported by ICWA: organized by School of Social Science, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar Venue: Amritsar, Punjab |
| 16. | 31 August 2021 | Sapru House Paper (SHP) discussion on <i>“Building the Connectivity to Southeast Asia: The India-Myanmar-Thailand Trilateral Highway”</i> written by Dr. Temjenmeren Ao, Research Fellow, ICWA Venue: VC |

September 2021

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| 17. | 3 September 2021 | National Consultations on “ <i>Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative (IPOI)</i> ” Venue: VC |
| 18. | 7 September 2021 | Launch of the Book “ <i>A Bangladesh War Commentary</i> ” authored by U.L. Baruah [An ICWA's Publication] <u>Launch of the Book and Address by:</u> Hon’ble Dr. Hasan Mahmud, M.P., Minister of Information and Broadcasting, Government of People’s Republic of Bangladesh Venue: VC/Sapru House (lecture hall) |
| 19. | 8 September 2021 | Sapru House Paper (SHP) discussion on “ <i>Breaking the Ice: Russia and the United States in the Arctic</i> ” written by Dr. Stuti Banerjee, Research Fellow, ICWA & Dr. Indrani Talukdar, Faculty, Sushma Swaraj Institute of Foreign Service Venue: VC |
| 20. | 17 September 2021 | Webinar on “ <i>Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam and Politics of Water Sharing – A View From India</i> ” Venue: VC |
| 21. | 18-19 September 2021 | Two days National Seminar on <i>India’s Interconnection with West Asian Countries: Historical Understanding of Socio-Economic Relations and Future Prospects</i> Outreach programme financially supported by ICWA: organized by Center for West Asian Studies (CWAS), Jamia Millia Islamia, Maulana Mohammed Ali Jauhar Marg, New Delhi Venue: New Delhi |
| 22. | 20 September 2021 | Special Lecture by H.E. Mr. Nikola Selaković, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia on “ <i>India-Serbia Relations: State of Play and Future Potential</i> ” Venue: VC/Sapru House (lectue hall) |
| 23. | 21 September 2021 | Preparatory Meeting with UAE for the 26 th Meeting of the Indian Ocean Rim Academic Group (IORAG) Venue: VC |
| 24. | 28 September 2021 | Webinar on “ <i>Hundred Years of the Communist Party of China</i> ” Venue: VC |

October 2021

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| 25. | 1 st October 2021 | Webinar on “ <i>ASEAN and the Political Crisis in Myanmar</i> ” Venue: VC |
| 26. | 6 October 2021 | 26th Meeting of the Indian Ocean Rim Academic Group (IORAG) Hosted by UAE & Chaired by India Venue: VC |
| 27. | 20 October 2021 | Webinar on “ <i>Afghanistan: The Way Forward</i> ” Venue: VC |
| 28. | 22 October 2021 | Fourth in the series of ICWA-USI Webinars on Peacekeeping on “ <i>UN Peace Operations: Protection of Civilians</i> ” <i>[in collaboration with the United Service Institution of India (USI)]</i> Venue: VC |
| 29. | 27 October 2021 | First India-Korea 2+2 Bilateral Dialogue <i>Reimagining India- Korea Relations in the Emerging Regional Order: Synergising the ‘Act East Policy’ and the ‘New Southern Policy’</i> <u>Participant Institutions:</u> Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA) and Research and Information System for Developing Societies (RIS) of India & Korean National Diplomatic Academy (KNDA) and Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP) of the Republic of Korea Venue: VC |
| 30. | 29 October 2021 | Online Conference on “SCO & India: The Trajectory Ahead” Venue: VC |

November 2021

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| 31. | 1 November 2021 | Webinar on “ <i>Reading the Fault lines in the GULF REGION</i> ” Venue: VC |
| 32. | 10 November 2021 | Second ICWA- The Wilson Centre, Washington D.C. Closed Door Briefing under Chatham House rules on ‘<i>Russia-China Relations</i>’ |

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| | | <i>The participation limited to research fellows from the Council and Wilson Center</i> Venue: VC |
| 33. | 15 November 2021 | ICWA-GNDU Webinar on “China’s Position on Afghanistan: Regional Perspectives” <i>[in collaboration with Guru Nanak Dev University (GNDU), Amritsar]</i> Venue: VC |
| 34. | 23 November, 2021 | Online Book Discussion on “Rising to the China Challenge: Winning through Strategic Patience and Economic Growth” by Gautam Bambawale, Vijay Kelkar, Raghunath Mashelkar, Ganesh Natarajan, Ajit Ranade, Ajay Shah Venue: VC |
| 35. | 24 November 2021 | 8th ICWA-PISM Strategic Dialogue <i>[in collaboration with the Polish Institute of International Affairs (PISM), Warsaw, Poland]</i> Venue: VC |

December 2021

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| 36. | 06 December 2021 | “Maitri Diwas: 50th Anniversary of India – Bangladesh Diplomatic Relations” <u>Remarks by:</u> H.E. Mr. K.M. Khalid, Hon’ble State Minister of Culture, Government of the People’s Republic of Bangladesh <u>Address by:</u> Mr. Harsh Vardhan Shringla, Foreign Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India <u>Message by:</u> H.E. Sheikh Hasina, Hon’ble Prime Minister of the Government of the People’s Republic of Bangladesh Venue: Sapru House Auditorium |
| 37. | 15 December 2021 | 8th Indian Ocean Dialogue (IOD-8) <i>‘Post Pandemic India Ocean: Leveraging Digital Technologies for Health, Education, Development and Trade in IORA Member States’</i> |

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| | | <p>organized by the Ministry of External Affairs, India and Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA)</p> <p>Track 1.5 flagship initiative of the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA)</p> <p>Venue: VC</p> |
| 38. | 17 December 2021 | <p>“Celebration of 5th Anniversary of India-Vietnam Comprehensive Strategic Partnership 2016-2021 and Announcement of Celebration of 50th Anniversary of Diplomatic Relations Between India and Vietnam 1972-2022”</p> <p>Official visit of Parliamentary Delegation to India led by H.E. Mr. Vuong Dinh Hue, President of the National Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam</p> <p>Photo-Exhibition “50 Years of India-Viet Nam Diplomatic Relations”</p> <p>Address by H.E. Dr. S. Jaishankar External Affairs Minister, Government of India</p> <p>Address by H.E. Mr. Vuong Dinh Hue, President, National Assembly of Viet Nam</p> <p>[in collaboration with Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India and The Embassy of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam]</p> <p>Venue: Sapru House Auditorium</p> |

January 2022

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| 39. | 10-12 January 2022 | <p>Three days International Conference (virtual and physical) on “Transnational Terrorism in 21st Century and Global Counter-terrorism Responses”</p> <p>Outreach programme financially supported by ICWA:</p> <p>Organized by Usanas Foundation, Udaipur in collaboration with Jai Narain Vyas University, Jodhpur and Maharshi Dayanand Saraswati University, Ajmer</p> <p>Venue: The Conference organized in hybrid mode including both virtual and physical medium – Udaipur, Rajasthan</p> |
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| 40. | 19 January 2022 | <p>Third India-Uzbekistan Think-Tanks Forum</p> <p><i>[in association with Center for International Relations Studies (CIRS), Tashkent]</i></p> <p>Venue: VC</p> |
| 41. | 28 January, 2022 | <p>ICWA-RIAC Dialogue on “Strategic Visions of India-Russia Relations and Changes in the World Order”</p> <p>Venue: VC</p> <p><i>[in collaboration with the Russian International Affairs Council (RIAC)]</i></p> |

February 2022

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| 42. | 04 February 2022 | <p>IORA Meeting</p> <p><i>Handing over Chair to South Africa</i></p> <p>Venue: VC</p> |
| 43. | 09 February 2022 | <p>Fifth in the series of ICWA-USI Webinars on Peacekeeping on “UN Peace Operations: Women, Peace and Security”</p> <p><i>[in collaboration with the United Service Institution of India (USI)]</i></p> <p>Venue: VC</p> |
| 44. | 18 February 2022 | <p>Sapru House Paper (SHP) discussion on “India-South Korea Strategic Partnership: Towards a New Horizon” written by Dr. Jojin V John, Research Fellow, ICWA</p> <p>Venue: VC</p> |
| 45. | 22 February 2022 | <p>Orientation Lecture on “China’s BRI in Different Regions of the World” by Prof. Srikanth Kondapalli, Dean, School of International Studies, JNU and Member, ICWA’s Governing Council</p> <p>Venue: VC</p> |
| 46. | 24 February 2022 | <p>Third Indo-German Track 1.5 Dialogue</p> <p><u>The Indian partner institutions are:</u></p> <p>Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA); and Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS)</p> |

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| | | <p><u>Partners on the German side are:</u></p> <p>German Institute of Global and Area Studies (GIGA); and German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP)</p> <p><u>The event held under Chatham House Rules</u></p> <p>Venue: VC</p> |
| 47. | 24-25 February, 2022 | <p>National Seminar on <i>“India-China Relations: Challenges & Opportunities”</i></p> <p>Outreach programme financially supported by ICWA:</p> <p>Organized in HINDI by Buddh Vidhyapeeth Degree College, Siddharth Nagar, Uttar Pradesh</p> <p>Venue: Uttar Pradesh</p> |

March 2022

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| 48. | 02 March, 2022 | <p>Online Book Launch & Panel Discussion on the Book <i>‘Arab World in Transition and the Quest for a New Regional Order’</i> [An ICWA publication, authored by Dr. Fazzur Rahman Siddiqui, Senior Research Fellow, ICWA]</p> <p>Venue: VC</p> |
| 49. | 10 March, 2022 | <p>Ambassadors’ Round Table Discussion on <i>‘Relations between India and SICA Countries’</i></p> <p>(Closed Door Event under Chatham House Rules)</p> <p><i>[C/o. Embassy of Guatemala in New Delhi]</i></p> <p>Venue: Sapru House</p> |
| 50. | 30-31 March 2022 | <p>First India-U.K. Strategic Futures Forum (IUSFF)</p> <p>Welcome Remarks</p> <p>Amb. Vijay Thakur Singh, Director General, Indian Council of World Affairs</p> |

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| | | <p>Speakers</p> <p>Hon'ble Dr. S. Jaishankar, Minister of External Affairs, Government of India</p> <p>Rt Hon Elizabeth Truss MP, Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, United Kingdom</p> <p>Moderator</p> <p>Lord Dean Godson, Director, Policy Exchange</p> <p>Venue: VC/ Kamal Mahal, ITC Maurya hotel, Diplomatic Enclave, Sardar Patel Marg, New Delhi-110021.</p> |
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