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## **Press Release**

### **ICWA-HNB Garhwal University Interaction Programme**

on

#### **Work Shop**

on

### **India's Foreign Policy: Recent Trends and Challenges**

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As part of its mandate ICWA is entrusted with the responsibility to create awareness about India's foreign policy priorities, security issues and the contemporary international affairs. In furtherance of its outreach policy, ICWA has been funding conference grants to various universities and institutes, and more recently has commissioned Foreign Policy Awareness Programme in Hindi also. To add further reach to the two initiatives, ICWA has commissioned the University Interaction Programme with Central Universities under which two or three members of ICWA Research Faculty visit and participate in a workshop in a Central university on subjects related to the mandate of the Council.

As part of this initiative, the Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA) had organized its inaugural foreign policy orientation programme in HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar, Garhwal, Uttarakhand, on 29-30 September, 2016. Dr. Pankaj Jha, Director (Research), and Dr. M. Samatha, Research Fellow (RF), participated in the workshop titled "India's Foreign Policy: Recent Trends and Challenges". The workshop was organized jointly by ICWA and School of Humanities and Social Sciences, HNB Garhwal University. The workshop covered various

aspects of foreign policy such as Accelerating trade and investment in the Indian Ocean; India in the Indo-pacific region; India's relations with major powers; India' neighbourhood policy and Regionalism in South Asia. Apart from the university faculty, more than 200 students attended the workshop and interacted with the ICWA research faculty. ICWA in the foreseeable future would be conducting similar programmes in other Central Universities.

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