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Press Release

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Roundtable

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National Security: The Key Challenges Ahead for India

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The Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA), in collaboration with the Tribune National Security Forum is organizing a Roundtable on the topic “National Security: The Key Challenges Ahead for India” on 2 December 2014 (10.45 am to 4.15 pm) at Sapru House.

In the inaugural session, Shri Suresh Prabhu Hon’ble Minister of Railways will give the Keynote Address and Shri N. N. Vohra, Hon’ble Governor of Jammu And Kashmir will deliver special address.

National security planning and implementation have dominated the public discourse in the last few years. It has been argued that national security should look into scenario building and make provision to address arising challenges. With a new government taking charge at the Centre, this Roundtable would discuss the various national security threats the country faces, assess the capability of the current institutional mechanisms to deal with the challenges and suggest an agenda for change.

The panel of the Roundtable comprises of Ambassador Satish Chandra, former Deputy National Security Adviser, Ambassador Kanwal Sibal, former Foreign Secretary, Shri Sanjeev Tripathi, former Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat, Shri Amitabh Kant, Secretary, DIPP, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Dr. Subir Gokarn, Research Director, Brookings India, Dr. Shubhashis Gangopadhyay, Research Director and Managing Trustee, IDF and Director of the SHSS, Shiv Nadar University, Prof. N. Balakrishnan, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, Ambassador Chandrashekhar Dasgupta, Distinguished Fellow, TERI, and Ambassador Sheel Kant Sharma, former Secretary General, SAARC.

The discussion at the Roundtable would be divided into two working sessions. The first session will focus on addressing the core challenges to national security. The second session will explore and recommend a national security strategy and other considered solutions for policy-makers.
