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# VISION

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An Act of Parliament in 2001 declared the ICWA to be an 'institution of national importance' and laid down its objectives:

To promote the study of Indian and international affairs so as to develop a body of informed opinion on international matters.

To promote India's relations with other countries through study, research, discussions, lectures, exchange of ideas and information with other organisations within and outside India engaged in similar activities.

To serve as a clearing house of information and knowledge regarding world affairs.

To publish books, periodicals, journals, reviews, papers and pamphlets.

To establish contacts with organisations promoting these objectives.

To arrange conferences and seminars to discuss and study Indian policy towards international affairs.

To undertake such other activities as may be necessary for the promotion of ideas and attainment of the above mentioned objects.

## ABOUT ICWA

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The Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA) was established in 1948 by a group of eminent intellectuals led by Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru and Dr. H.N. Kunzru. Its principal objective was to create an Indian perspective on international relations and act as a repository of knowledge and thinking on foreign policy issues.

The Council today conducts policy research through an in-house faculty as well as through external experts. It regularly organizes an array of intellectual activities including conferences, seminars, roundtable discussions, lectures and brings out a range of publications. It has a well stocked library, an active website, and publishes the journal 'India Quarterly'.

ICWA has over 50 MoUs with international think tanks and research institutions to promote better understanding on international issues and develop areas of mutual cooperation. The Council also has partnerships with leading research institutions, think tanks and universities in India.





Hon'ble M. Venkaiah Naidu,  
Vice President of the Republic of India  
and President, ICWA.

## ORGANISATION

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The ICWA is funded by the Ministry of External Affairs and enjoys full autonomy.

It has a General Body and Governing Council, headed by Hon'ble Vice President of the Republic of India who is the President of the ICWA.

The current President is the Hon'ble Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu.

The Director General, appointed by the Governing Council for a fixed tenure of three years is the Chief Executive Officer. The current incumbent, Ambassador Vijay Thakur Singh, was appointed on July 24, 2021



Ambassador Vijay Thakur Singh,  
Director General,  
Indian Council of World Affairs



*Farewell to ICWA's first Secretary General Dr. A. Appadorai (1946-1954) & Director, Indian School of International Studies (1955 -1964), 8 December 1964.*



*Prime Minister Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri's visit to the Indian School of International Studies, Sapru House, 13 August 1965.*

## SAPRU HOUSE

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The ICWA is headquartered in Sapru House, an iconic heritage building in the heart of New Delhi that was inaugurated by the first Prime Minister of India, Shri Jawaharlal Nehru in May 1955. Its red sandstone facade and Sanchi stupa like dome combines ancient Indian antecedents with modernist architecture. The construction of Sapru House was undertaken by the then office bearers of the ICWA and was financed through public subscription. A list of those who contributed adorns the building entrance.

## ICWA ACTIVITIES

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The Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA) undertakes numerous research-oriented activities, towards fulfillment of its mandated objectives. The activities include in-house research, publications, bilateral dialogues, international conferences, seminars, lectures and outreach activities in India and abroad.

## THE COUNCIL WEBSITE

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The research output of the Council is regularly uploaded on the website. The website also has links to audio and video recordings of past events held in the Council. The Council frequently webcasts live its public lectures and other important events.

[www.icwa.in](http://www.icwa.in)



*IBSA Gandhi-Mandela Memorial Freedom Lecture by H.E. Mr. Matamela Cyril Ramaphosa, President of the Republic of South Africa in the presence of Shri Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of India, 25 January 2019.*



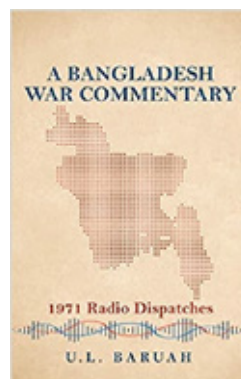
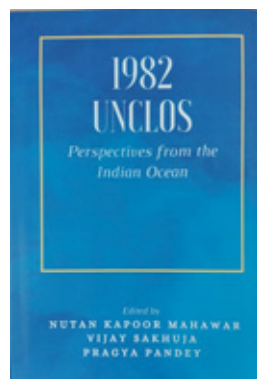
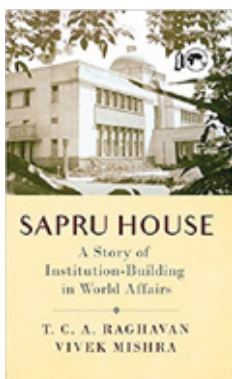
# OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

## BOOK GRANTS

In accordance with its objectives and mandate, the Council commissions original manuscripts of well-researched books on themes of international relations and foreign policy. The main objective of the ICWA Book Grant is to build and enhance research capacities and encourage the professional development of academics, specialists and emerging researchers in the field of international relations, area studies and India's foreign policy. The Council also translates its books into hindi and other Indian languages



*Some Recent Publications:*



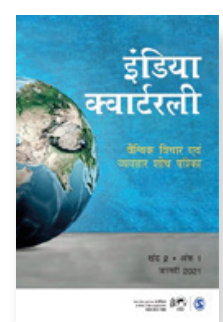
## PUBLICATIONS IN HINDI

The Council also promotes quality research and publications in Hindi by publishing original writings on international affairs and foreign policy themes.



## INDIA QUARTERLY

India Quarterly is the flagship publication of the Council and has come out regularly since 1945. It is published in collaboration with M/s SAGE Publications, New Delhi (since January 2009). Falling within its purview are regional and global political issues and themes related to the environment, energy security, identity-centric conflicts and their international ramifications, cross-border movements of people and related concerns of human trafficking, terrorist networking, migration of diseases, and global and regional political economy. The journal is indexed in 'SCOPUS', International Political Science Abstracts' and 'ABC of Political Science'. Since 2020, it is also being published in Hindi.



## CONFERENCE GRANTS

Under its Foreign Policy Outreach Programme, the ICWA has a provision for conference grants to support national/ international seminars/conferences by recognized universities on themes of international relations and foreign policy.



ICWA organised the 6<sup>th</sup> Dialogue with its Polish partner PISM on 14 January 2020 (Top Left), Close-Door Interaction with UN Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People on 3 March 2020 (Top Right), "A Bangladesh War Commentary" Book Launch on 7 September 2021 (Bottom Left), ICWA celebrated 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of India-Vietnam Comprehensive Strategic Partnership 2016-2021 on 17 December 2021 (Bottom Right).



Meeting of the Governing Body of the Council, 03 July 2021, chaired by Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu, Vice President of India and attended by Dr. S. Jaishankar, External Affairs Minister and Vice President of the Council.

## FOREIGN POLICY AWARENESS SCHEME

In its efforts to amplify its external engagement with State and Central Universities, the Council has a Foreign Policy Awareness Scheme as part of its Outreach Programme. Members of the Research Faculty are designated to represent the Council in its aim to spread awareness among students about international affairs and India's foreign policy perspectives. This is done jointly with political science and international relations departments of different Universities.



## THE LIBRARY

The ICWA Library also referred to as the 'Sapru House Library', is a treasure trove of books on international relations, economy, foreign policy and law.

Established in 1955, it has approximately 1.53 lakh books in its collection. The collection of the library also includes rare books, bound periodicals, microfilms, microfiches and about 1 million press clippings on various subjects from major national dailies. The library also has an unique assortment of published work which includes documents and publications on the League of Nations, the United Nations and its agencies like WHO, ILO, UNDP, UNESCO and the European Union.

The library receives about 250 research journals from India and abroad, and possesses about 39,000 bound volumes of Indian and foreign periodicals. The library is automated with Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC) and its resources are also accessible through WEB-OPAC.



H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-Moon, United Nations Secretary General delivered the Thirteenth Sapru House - UN Lecture on "India and the UN in a Changing World" at Sapru House, 12 January 2015.

## SAPRU HOUSE LECTURES

The Sapru House Lecture series was instituted in August, 2012. So far 38 such lectures have been delivered. Some of the eminent speakers include H.E. Mr. Fumio Kishida, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan, H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-Moon, United Nations Secretary General, H.E. Mr. Pushpa Kamal Dahal 'Prachanda', former Prime Minister of Nepal & Chairman of Nepal Communist Party, H.E. Dr. Abdullah Abdullah, Chief Executive of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan etc.

## PARTNER INSTITUTIONS

The Council has cooperation agreements and MoUs with over 50 think tanks and research institutions across the world. It has partnerships with a number of research institutions in India as well.





*The opening of Sapru House Building, H.Q. of ICWA, by Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru, 1 May 1955.*



# ICWA : SOME RECENT PUBLICATIONS

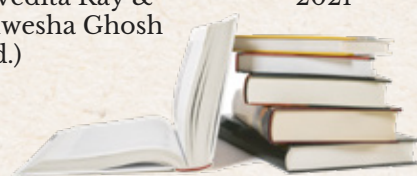
1	India's Relations with the International Monetary Fund (25 Years in Perspective 1991-2016)	V. Srinivas	2019
2	भारत और यूरोपीय संघ : एक अंतरंग दृष्टिकोण	भास्वती मुखर्जी	2019
3	शक्ति की मान्यता : सयुक्त राष्ट्र सुरक्षा परिषद	दिलीप सिन्हा	2019
4	Pakistan The Balochistan Conundrum	Tilak Devasher	2019
5	The South Caucasus Transition from Subjugation to Independence	Achal Malhotra	2020
6	Kashmir a Study in India-Pakistan Relations (First Edition -1966; Reprint-1998; Reprint-2020)	Sisir Gupta	2020
7	नेपाल का संवैधानिक विकास	राकेश कुमार मीना	2020
8	अंतर्राष्ट्रीय मुद्रा कोष (आईएमएफ) के साथ भारत के संबंध के परिप्रेक्ष्य में 25 वर्ष 1991-2016	वी. श्रीनिवास	2020
9	Indo-Pacific: Re-Imaging the Indian Ocean Through an Expanded Geography	Nutan Kapoor Mahawar & Vijay Sakhuja (Ed.)	2021
10	Status of European Integration: Possible Trajectory	Purusottam Bhattacharya	2020
11	Sapru House A Story of Institution in World Affairs (An Institutional History of the ICWA)	TCA Raghavan & Vivek Mishra	2021
12	A Bangladesh War Commentary: 1971 Radio Dispatches	U. L. Baruah	2021

## Sapru House Soundings on Area Studies

13	India-Sri Lanka Relations: Is it Time for Reorientation of Policy?	S. Mallempati (Ed.)	2021
14	Enhancing India-Myanmar Toes: The Way Ahead	S. Mallempati (Ed.)	2021
15	Gilgit-Baltistan Under Pakistan's Occupation	Ashish Shukla (Ed.)	2021
16	India-Central Asia Relations: The Road Ahead	Athar Zafar (Ed.)	2021
17	India and Africa: The Road Ahead	Nivedita Ray (Ed.)	2021
18	External Dimensions of Security of The North East Region	Temjenmeren Ao (Ed.)	2021
19	1982 UNCLOS: Perspectives from the Indian Ocean	Nutan K Mahawar Vijay Sakhuja Pragya Pandey (Ed.)	2021
20	Twenty Years of Mekong-Ganga Cooperation (MGC)	Prabir De (Ed.)	2021
21	India's Relations with the International Monetary Fund (25 Years in Perspective 1991-2016) (Tamil Edition)	V. Srinivas	2021
22	Pakistan The Balochistan Conundrum (Urdu Edition)	Tilak Devasher	2021
23	Pakistan The Balochistan Conundrum (Hindi Edition)	Tilak Devasher	2021

## Sapru House Soundings on Area Studies

24	Recent Developments in Afghanistan: ICWA Reflections	Nivedita Ray & Anwesha Ghosh (Ed.)	2021
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# INTERNATIONAL MoU PARTNERS

S. No.	Country	Institute Name
1	Russia	Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO) Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Moscow
2	China	Chinese People's Institute of Foreign Affairs (CPIFA) Beijing
3	Spain	(i) Casa Asia (CA), Barcelona (ii) Fundacion Casa de la India (FCI), Valladolid
4	Malaysia	Institute of Strategic and International Studies (ISIS) Kuala Lumpur
5	Tajikistan	Academy of Sciences Dushanbe
6	Mexico	Consejo Mexicano de Asuntos Internacionales (COMEXI) Mexico City
7	Portugal	Instituto do Oriente, Technical University of Lisbon Lisbon
8	Poland	The Polish Institute of International Affairs Warsaw
9	China	Centre of Asian Studies, The University of Hong Kong Hong Kong
10	Nigeria	Nigerian Institute of International Affairs Abuja
11	Afghanistan	Centre for Strategic Studies (CSS) of Ministry of Foreign Affairs Kabul
12	New Zealand	The New Zealand Institute of International Affairs Wellington
13	Australia	The Australian Institute of International Affairs Canberra
14	UAE	The Emirates Center for Strategic Studies and Research (ECSSR), Abu Dhabi
15	Argentina	Argentine Council for International Relations Buenos Aires
16	France	European Union Institute for Security Studies (EUISS) Paris
17	Peru	The Peruvian Centre of International Studies (CEPEI) Lima
18	Ethiopia	Ethiopian International Institute for Peace and Development (EIIPD), Addis Ababa
19	Turkey	Centre for Strategic Research of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Turkey, Ankara



S. No.	Country	Institute Name
20	South Korea	The Institute of Foreign Affairs and National Security (IFANS) of the Republic of Korea, Seoul
21	Nepal	The Nepal Council of World Affairs Kathmandu
22	Dominican Republic	Global Foundation for Democracy and Development Santo Domingo
23	Colombia	PROASIA Colombia Bogota
24	Thailand	Saranrom Institute of Foreign Affairs Bangkok
25	Mozambique	The Centre for Foreign and International Studies (CEEI) Maputo
26	Egypt	Egyptian Council for Foreign Affairs (ECFA) Cairo
27	Niger	Promotion of Initiatives for Development Association (APIDB) Niamey
28	Senegal	The Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA), Dakar
29	Italy	Istituto per gli Studi di Politica Internazionale (ISPI) Milan
30	Sri Lanka	Lakshman Kadirgamar institute for International Relations and Strategic Studies (LKIIRSS), Colombo
31	Yemen	Sheba Centre for Strategic Studies (SCSS) Sana'a
32	Zimbabwe	Centre for Peace Initiatives in Africa (CPIA) Harare
33	Myanmar	Myanmar Institute of Strategic and International Studies (MISIS) Yangon
34	Iran	Institute for Political and International Studies (IPIS) Tehran
35	Turkey	Turkish Asian Center for Strategic Studies Istanbul
36	Kazakhstan	The Institute of Oriental Studies named after R B Suleimenov at the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Kazakhstan Almaty
37	Tanzania	The Centre for Foreign Relations (CFR) of the United Republic of Tanzania, Dar Es Salaam

S. No.	Country	Institute Name
38	Russia	The Moscow State Institute of International Relations (University) Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation, Moscow
39	China	Shanghai Institute for International Studies, Shanghai
40	Indonesia	The Indonesian Council on World Affairs (ICWA) Jakarta
41	South Africa	African Institute of International Affairs (SAIIA) Johannesburg
42	Brazil	The Alexandre de Gusmao Foundation (FUNAG) Brasilia
43	China	China Soong Ching Ling Foundation (CSCLF) Shanghai
44	Saudi Arabia	Prince Saud Al Faisal Institute of Diplomatic Studies (PSAIDS) Riyadh
45	Hanoi	Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences (VASS) Hanoi
46	Hungary	Institute for Foreign Affairs and Trade (IFAT) Budapest
47	Morocco	The Royal Institute for Strategic Studies (IRES) Rabat
48	Uzbekistan	Center for International Relations under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Uzbekistan (CIRS) Tashkent
49	Uzbekistan	Institute for Strategic and Regional Studies under the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan (ISRS) Tashkent
50	Russia	Russia International Affairs Council Moscow
51	New Zealand	Asia New Zealand Foundation (the Foundation), Wellington
52	Uzbekistan	The SCO Centre for Public Diplomacy
53	kyrgyzstan	The Diplomatic Academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic named after Kazy Dikambaev
54	South Korea	Korea National Diplomatic Academy (KNDA), Seoul Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP), Seoul
55	Serbia	Institute of International Politics and Economics, (IIPE) Belgrade
56	Cairo, Egypt	Al- Ahrām Center for Political and Strategic Studies (ACPSS)
57	Peru	Pontifical Catholic University, Lima



# NATIONAL MoU PARTNERS

S. No.	Organization Place	Year	Institute
1	Bangalore	2009	Asia Centre
2	Manipal	2009	Manipal Advanced Research group, Manipal University
3	Hyderabad	2009	Department of Political Science, University College of Arts and Social Science, Osmania University, Hyderabad
4	Chandigarh	2009	Centre for Research in Rural and Industrial Development(CRRID)
5	Calcutta	2010	Institute of Foreign Policy Studies, University of Calcutta
6	Sikkim	2011	Sikkim University, Gangtok, Sikkim
7	Bangalore	2013	Asia Centre
8	Calcutta	2013	Institute of Foreign Policy Studies, University of Calcutta
9	Jnu	2013	School of International Studies
10	Bangalore	2016	Asia Centre
11	Tirupati	2016	Centre for Southeast Asian and Pacific Studies (CSEAP)
12	Shillong	2016	Asian Confluence (ASCON) India East Asia Centre, A unit of Divyajeevan Foundation, Shillong
13	Delhi	2017	The Institute for Chinese Studies (ICS), New Delhi
14	Jammu	2019	Central University of Jammu (CUJ)
15	Bangalore	2019	Asia Centre
16	Chennai	2019	Chennai Centre for China Studies (C3S)
17	Gandhinagar, Gujarat	2019	Central University of Gujarat
18	Madurai	2019	Madurai Kamaraj University
19	New Delhi	2020	Deshkal Society
20	Bhubaneshwar	2020	Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT)
21	New Delhi	2020	South Asian University
22	Bangalore	2020	Christ University
23	Kochi	2020	Centre for Public Policy Research
24	New Delhi	2020	United Service Institute of India (USI)
25	Hyderabad	2020	Indian School of Business







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