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International Conference
on
EMERGING HORIZONS IN INDIA-VIETNAM RELATIONS

On 3-4 July 2017 (10:00 am to 06:30 pm) at the Seminar Room
Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi

Programme Schedule

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Chair: Prof. Amit Shovon Roy
Centre for International Trade and Development, School of International Studies, JNU

Presenters

1) Title: Prominent Features of the Vietnam - India Comprehensive Strategic Partnership
Dr. Nguyen Phu Tan Huong
Vice Dean, Faculty of International Politics and Diplomacy Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Vietnam

2) Title: Emerging Horizons in India-Vietnam Relations: Problems and Prospects
Prof. Baladas Ghoshal
Formerly at School of International Studies, JNU

3) Title: Sources of India-Vietnam Engagement
Prof. Harsh V. Pant
King’s College London & Distinguished Fellow, Observer Research Foundation, New Delhi

4) Title: India-Vietnam Relations and the Regional Balance of Power
Mr. Sanjay Pulipaka
Senior Consultant, East Asia Research Programme, ICRIER, New Delhi

5) Title: India’s Defence Diplomacy with Vietnam: Quest for a Quasi-Alliance
Mr. Manish S. Dabhade
Assistant Professor, School of International Studies, JNU

1:15 - 2:00 pm
Lunch
## Working Session I

**Theme:** India-Vietnam Strategic Partnership: Exploring New Horizons

**Chair:** Prof. Sreeram Sundar Chaulia  
Dean, Jindal School of International Affairs, OP Jindal Global University, Sonepat

**Presenters:**

1. **Title:** Strategic Significance of Vietnam-India Relations  
   **Dr. Vo Xuan Vinh**  
   Deputy Director, Institute for Southeast Asian Studies, Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences, Vietnam

2. **Title:** Defence and Strategic Cooperation between India and Vietnam  
   **Dr. Pankaj Jha**  
   Assistant Professor, Jindal School of International Affairs, OP Jindal Global University, Sonepat

3. **Title:** India-Vietnam Relations in the Context of Act East Policy and ASEAN  
   **Dr. Nehginpao Kipgen**  
   Executive Director, Centre for Southeast Asian Studies, OP Jindal Global University, Sonepat

4. **Title:** India-Vietnam Relations: The Role of Soft Power  
   **Mr. Tridivesh Singh Maini**  
   Assistant Professor, Jindal School of International Affairs, OP Jindal Global University, Sonepat

## Working Session II

**Theme:** India-Vietnam: Foreign Policy Dynamics

**Chair:** Prof. Sanjeev Kumar Sharma  
Head, Department of Political Science, CCS University, Meerut

**Presenters:**

1. **Title:** India in Vietnam’s Foreign Policy in the New Context  
   **Ms. Huynh Thanh Loan**  
   Deputy Head, Department of International Relations, Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences

2. **Title:** India-Vietnam Relations in the Indo-Pacific Era  
   **Mr. Sudarshan Ramabadaran**  
   Deputy Director, India Foundation, New Delhi

3. **Title:** India-Vietnam: Perspectives on 3Cs in Act East Policy  
   **Dr. Shristi Pukhrem**  
   Senior Research Fellow, India Foundation, New Delhi

4. **Title:** Growing Significance of Vietnam in India’s Act East Policy  
   **Mr. Subhadeep Bhattacharya**  
   Research Assistant, Netaji Institute for Asian Studies, Kolkata

5. **Title:** India-Vietnam: Cooperation, Integration and Challenges  
   **Dr. Vikas Saharan**  
   Post Doctoral Fellow, Jawaharlal Nehru University

## Working Session III

**Theme:** Multilateral Engagements and the Dynamics of External Actors

**Chair:** Shri Shakti Sinha  
Director, Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi

**Presenters:**

1. **Title:** Vietnam and its Multilateral Engagements  
   **Ms. Do Thi Nhan Thien**  
   Researcher, Central Institute for Economic Management, Vietnam

2. **Title:** Achieving a Free and Open Indo-Pacific Region with India and Vietnam: Japan’s Perspective  
   **Mr. Shunichiro Inoue**  
   Counsellor, Embassy of Japan, New Delhi

3. **Title:** Mekong-Ganga Cooperation and India-Vietnam Relations through the Prism of Act East Policy  
   **Dr. Bharti Chhibber**  
   Assistant Professor, Lakshmibai College, DU

4. **Title:** Vietnam in India’s Strategic Ambitions: An Expanding Partnership  
   **Dr. Sampa Kundu**  
   Research Assistant, Southeast Asia and Oceania Cluster, Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses
5) **Title:** The Big Brother Role Played by Japan in Strengthening Vietnam-India relations  
Ms. Teresa Mili  
Research Scholar, Centre for East Asian Studies, JNU  
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**Chair:** Prof. Darvesh Gopal  
Former Dean & Professor of Political Science, School of Social Sciences, IGNOU

**Presenters:**
1) **Title:** Buddhist Female Iconography in the Art of Ancient Vietnam: A Study of the Interrelationships of Indian and Southeast Asian Art  
Ms. Abira Bhattacharya  
Assistant Curator, National Museum, New Delhi

2) **Title:** Indian Business Diaspora in Vietnam: An Opportunity to Enhance Connectivity, Commerce and Act as Cultural Ambassadors of India in Vietnam  
Mr. Salu D’Souza  
Research Fellow, Centre for Diaspora Studies, Central University of Gujarat

3) **Title:** Culture Commerce and Connectivity: In Search of Emerging Dynamics of India Vietnam Relation  
Ms. Ankita Chakraborty  
Research Scholar, Department of Political Science and Rural Development, Vidyasagar University

4) **Title:** Emerging Research Horizons of Indo-Vietnamese Shared Cultural Heritage  
Mr. Shubham Singh  
Research Scholar, Department of English and Modern European Languages, University of Lucknow

5) **Title:** Culture, Commerce and Connectivity in India-Vietnam Relations  
Ms. Bhavna Agarwal  
Research Scholar, Jindal School of International Affairs, OP Jindal Global University, Sonipat

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**Chair:** Dr. Udai Bhanu Singh  
Senior Research Associate, Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi

**Presenters:**
1) **Title:** Delhi-Hanoi Entente Cordiale: The Stamp of the ‘Modi Doctrine’  
Dr. Rajeev Ranjan Chaturvedy  
Research Associate, Institute of South Asian Studies, National University of Singapore

2) **Title:** India-Vietnam in the Changing Tide: Exploring the Significance of the Relations  
Mr. Pema Tseten Lachungpa  
Research Scholar, Department of International Relations, Sikkim University

3) **Title:** India-Vietnam Bilateral Economic Ties: The Road Ahead  
Dr. Rashmi Singh  
Associate Economist, PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry, New Delhi

4) **Title:** Vietnam-India Investment Cooperation: Potential and Challenges  
Mr. Tran Le Tien  
Head of Economic Section, Vietnam Embassy, New Delhi

5) **Title:** Solutions to Promote Economic Relations between Vietnam and India  
Dr. Nguyen Van Lich  
Dean, Department of International Economics, Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam

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**Chair:** Prof. Sunil Choudhary  
Department of Political Science, University of Delhi
Presenters:
1) Title: India And China: Vietnamese's Neighbour Issues in the New Regional Context  
Dr. Nguyen Tran Tien  
Deputy Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies, University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Vietnam
2) Title: India, Vietnam and the South China Sea  
Dr. Munmun Majumdar  
Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, NEHU, Shillong.
3) Title: South China Sea Dispute in the Narrative of India-Vietnam Relations  
Dr. Rup Narayan Das  
Director, Research and Information Division, Lok Sabha Secretariat, Parliament Library
4) Title: India and Vietnam: Defense and Strategic Cooperation  
Dr. Dhrubajyoti Bhattacharjee  
Research Fellow, Indian Council of World Affairs, New Delhi
5) Title: India-Vietnam Maritime Cooperation: An Indian Perspective  
Dr. Om Prakash Dahiya  
Assistant Professor, Zakir Husain Delhi College (Evening), DU

3:30 – 5:00 pm Working Session VII  
Theme: Emerging Dynamics in India-Vietnam Relations

Chair: Dr. Ash Narain Roy  
Director, Institute of Social Sciences, New Delhi

Presenters:
1) Title: Indian-Vietnamese Cooperation on Non-traditional Security Issues  
Dr. Do Thu Ha  
Faculty of Oriental Studies, Vietnam National University, Vietnam
2) Title: A Comprehensive View of India-Vietnam Relations  
Dr. Prashant Kumar Singh  
Associate Fellow, Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi
3) Title: India-Vietnam Cooperation on Traditional and Non-Traditional Security Issues- Surfing Waves Together  
Mr. Tapan Bharadwaj  
Researcher, Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies, New Delhi
4) Title: Engaging Vietnam: Emerging Strategic Importance for India’s Act East Policy  
Dr. Lungthuiyang Riamei  
Assistant Professor, Dyal Singh College, DU
5) Title: India-Vietnam Relations: Emerging Horizons  
Mr. Abizer Shabbir Shaikhmamhud  
Research Scholar, Jindal School of International Affairs, OP Jindal Global University, Sonipat

5:00 – 6:00 pm Working Session VIII  
Theme: Environmental Protection & Disaster Preparedness

Chair: Shri P. P. Shrivastav  
Governing Council Member, Asian Confluence and Advisory Member, National Disaster Management Authority

Presenters:
1) Title: Building the Stronger Bilateral Relationship through Environmental Protection  
Mr. Somanand Saraswati  
Research Scholar, School of Language, Literature & Culture Studies, Central University of Gujarat
2) Title: Disaster Preparedness and Resilience: Providing Technical Safety  
Ms. Athira Anand  
Assistant Professor, School of Distance Education, University of Calicut
3) Title: The Geopolitics of Climate Change: Environmental Degradation, Coastal Disasters in Vietnam  
Dr. C. M. Meena  
Assistant Professor, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar College, DU

6:00 – 7:00 pm VALEDICTORY SESSION

Chair  
Shri Shakti Sinha (Director, Nehru Memorial Museum & Library)

Summing up & Future Agenda  
Prof. Navnita Chadha Behera (HOD, Dept. of Political Science, DU)

Vote of Thanks  
Dr. Sonu Trivedi (Assistant Prof. Zakir Husain Delhi College, DU)